

VIRTUAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

The District believes that learning takes place in a variety of situations, environments and locations. The emergence of virtual education presents extraordinary opportunities for access to information and learning, both within and outside the walls of public schools. The Board of Education recognizes virtual education as an appropriate instructional delivery system for students. Virtual education is a method for the District to enhance or expand course offerings and to provide an educational alternative better suited to the learning needs of a diverse population of students.

The District believes that to ensure quality, virtual education courses must:

1. Be aligned with the vision of the District.
2. Be aligned to Wisconsin's Model Academic Standards and/or national and/or international standards and/or College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) Curriculum.
3. Have an identifiable curriculum that is consistent with District curriculum and local standards.
4. Be taught by a highly trained and qualified licensed teacher who is certified to teach the content of the course.
5. Comply with the District graduation and/or advancement requirements.
6. Meet all applicable District policies.
7. Meet all applicable statutory requirements of the State.

In addition, virtual courses offered by the District will be in compliance with Administrative Rule.

The District may extend the opportunity for students to complete virtual courses offered outside of the District. The Administrative Rule will guide the enrollment in any virtual course outside of the District.

Virtual education courses that meet District requirements will be awarded credit.

The Board will receive a report at least annually of the virtual courses taken and number of students enrolled.

Legal Ref.: Sections 118.15(1)(d) Wisconsin Statutes (Compulsory School Attendance)
120.21 (School Board Contracts for Courses)

Local Ref.: Policy #343.31 – Administrative Rule