

196Online Elementary Model

Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan Public Schools

Educating our students to reach their full potential



196ONLINE

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HIGHLIGHTS

- Rigorous and comprehensive online learning with curriculum that meets or exceeds all state standards
- Live academic learning opportunities while maintaining the flexibility of self-paced work
- Combination of digitally delivered coursework with hands-on, tangible learning experiences
- All courses are facilitated by licensed Minnesota teachers
- Partnerships with similar grade levels and departments to provide an aligned learning experience
- Designated office hours for students to connect with their teacher regarding academic progress and social-emotional needs
- English Learner and special education supports available

Continuing with District 196's mission of educating students to reach their full potential, our new 196**Online** school is a comprehensive online learning experience that carries forward the commitment to a high-quality education where students can explore the outer limits of their vast potential.

Opening for 2021-22, 196**Online** will replace the 196 Digital Academy option, which was created to meet the pandemic-related emergency requirements. The goal is to continue providing an online options with some modifications and enhancements from the former distance learning model.

This learning model is grounded on delivering an equitable, personalized and flexible virtual learning community that builds relationships and inspires the growth and development of all learners.

Structure

All elementary students will follow a daily schedule with a set start and end time. The schedule will include live (synchronous) instruction and connection over Zoom with the teacher and classmates, along with independent (asynchronous) work time for students.

Each school day will consist of: a morning meeting with time to connect with the teacher and peers; a literacy workshop to explore reading, writing and word studies that incorporate science and social studies; a math workshop that includes a lesson, guided practice and time for independent work; and time with specialist classes.

Curriculum and Performance

Students will have access to the same academic supports as in school buildings including English language development, special education services, Reading Recovery, Math Recovery, and gifted and talented development. A dedicated team of specialist educators provide students access to engaging art, physical education, music and media courses.

Students will also have access to district-wide assessments, including the MCAs and literacy assessments. Some assessments must be taken in person and students may be asked to come into a district building.

Hands-On Experiences

Students will have access to materials based on literacy, math and science units, as well as art materials, guided reading books, math manipulatives and the ability to check out books from the library.

Technology Support

Families have access to robust layers of technical support to meet the unique needs of online learning including tech support, workshops, resource websites and virtual office hours.

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Is 196Online A Good Fit For Your Elementary Student?

- Have a designated learning space where they can be successful
- Are persistent, self-motivated and disciplined
- Are able to communicate when they need assistance
- Understand the importance of time management
- Comfortable learning in an online setting and familiar with virtual educational platforms such as Zoom, Schoology and Seesaw



Reflecting on 196Online Learning

When considering an online learning option for your student, it is important for families to explore all of the conditions and resources necessary to create a successful educational experience.

Considerations

- **Daily Support from a Family Member** – An elementary-aged learner needs to have an adult to provide daily support with learning by reviewing the daily schedule and learning tasks.
- **Persistence** – Being focused, self-motivated, and disciplined helps a student in online learning stick with a challenge, practice consistently, and focus on an assignment.
- **Time-Management Skills** – Managing time well is helpful in online learning. Students will be working independently at his/her own pace.
- **Communication Skills** – Communicating in an online learning environment uses skills different than in a face-to-face classroom. Students must seek out support when needed and communicate with the teachers if they have questions. They must also be comfortable with using video conferencing software such as Zoom to communicate with teachers and classmates.
- **At-Home Learning Environment** – Having a designated space for learning is a helpful component to online learning. A good learning space is quiet and has limited distractions, and provides good lighting and comfortable seating. It is also important to have a good inside and/or outside space for your child to take breaks to re-energize.



Connect With Us!

We know families may still have questions about online learning! We encourage you to call 651-423-7826, email 196Online@district196.org or visit 196Online.District196.org.

Join us for two virtual informational sessions on Monday, March 1 at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

For more information, go to

196ONLINE.DISTRICT196.ORG