

VIRTUAL LEARNING ACADEMY OF ST. CLAIR COUNTY

BOARD POLICY

RE: INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM POLICY

The Virtual Learning Academy of St. Clair County (Academy) provides instructional programs to students in a non-traditional setting and the curriculum presented to the students is in full compliance with the guidelines and requirements as set forth by the Michigan Department of Education. The instructional program has been developed, implemented and has been in place demonstrating the operational practices that created the strength of the policy.

The instructional programming represents a blended approach utilizing technology-based and traditional instruction.

Measurement of Academic Growth

The measurement of student academic growth shall be continuous during the student's education. The methods of measurement shall include, but are not limited to, on-line assessments, written examinations, oral examination, alternative questions, demonstrating writing exercise, individual projects, group projects, performance student portfolios and samples of students' best works.

The results of student achievement shall be shared with parents on a regular basis. The Program Director shall be responsible to implement and monitor all assessment measurements.

Extended Learning

It shall be the policy of the Board to support the opportunity for students to earn credits beyond the traditional secondary instructional model. Such opportunities include, but are not limited to, advance placement courses, St. Clair County Technical Education Center, dual enrollment and the Blue Water Middle College Academy.

The Director shall be responsible to implement procedures in support of this policy.

Physical Education

The Board accepts Physical Education credits transferred from other schools as meeting the graduation requirement and supports the instruction of Physical Education consistent with the State's policy on Physical Education.

Board Approved: January 30, 2013