

Altus Public Virtual School is now enrolling students

Altus Public Schools recognizes that in the technology age, the best education is no longer a one-size-fits-all approach. Students at Altus Public Schools now have the opportunity to create their own unique school experience - taking classes at school, online or a combination of the two.

Altus Public Virtual School allows students to take classes online and also participate in school-sponsored extra-curricular and enrichment activities as well as participate in Oklahoma Secondary Schools Association sponsored competitions such as sports, band and academic teams. The program is designed for students who are already successful in an online education program or who would thrive in an online learning environment.

“We are excited about the opportunities Altus Public Virtual School will bring to the families of Southwest Oklahoma. We are proud of our traditional schools and the level of education they provide students, however, we also believe in choices for families. Altus Public Virtual School is another option for families that will allow students to utilize online school as well as participate in the wide variety of excellent extra-curricular activities that Altus Schools provide,” said Superintendent Roe Worbes. “This is a game-changer for current students enrolled in other online programs. APVS opens doors to ROTC, academic teams, robotics teams, marching band, symphonic band, vocal music, musical theater, athletics and so much more.”

Altus Schools has partnered with Odysseyware, an online instructional program, to ensure students receive educational services and online instruction which meets the district’s high academic standards. All applications will be carefully reviewed to ensure all placements in online learning are educationally appropriate and will promote academic success.

Altus Public Virtual School employs Oklahoma-certified teachers who have experience teaching in an alternative setting to monitor all course work and provide one-on-one instruction if necessary.

“Students will have access to all of our services, including counseling, guidance assistance, and nutrition services. It is important that our online students have the best, well-rounded experience we can provide. We want them to feel like they are part of the Bulldog family,” stated Janet Harms, Director of Alternative Programs.

Altus Public Virtual School also provides the same opportunity for enrolled students to take advantage of concurrent enrollment at Western Oklahoma State College, just as traditional AHS juniors and seniors can. APVS students will be eligible for state-sponsored tuition waivers paid for by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

To inquire about Altus Public Virtual School or to begin the enrollment process, please contact Janet Harms, Director of Alternative Programs for Altus Public Schools at 580-481-2613 or email her at jharms@altusps.com