

Riverview Virtual Academy

Middle School Online Learning Agreement

Introduction

Welcome to Online Learning with Riverview Virtual Academy (RVA). RVA is a free public school offering an online school experience to students in K-12 and is part of the Riverview Community School District. Middle School students attending RVA will be virtually enrolled in language arts, math, science, and social studies; with the opportunity to participate in face-to-face elective courses.

Flexibility

RVA offers students the option to complete coursework in their own time at their own location, under the supervision of a parent or guardian while still receiving support from a mentor teacher. Students can repeat lessons as many times as needed to master the skill. Courses are available 24 hours a day, 7 days per week; however, families are strongly encouraged to set up a daily schedule and plan to work 4-5 hours per day, five days per week to keep pace with timely course completion.

Attendance

- It is expected that the learner will consistently make progress on a weekly basis toward course completion
- At least two weekly contacts with the mentor teacher are mandatory. These sessions can include, but are not limited to email exchange, small group instruction, and phone calls
- Student participation is mandatory for all required state testing

Learner Commitment

It is expected that the learner will:

- Adhere to the course schedules as prescribed and communicate with the mentor teacher on a regular basis
- Work according to pacing guides to complete the requirement of the course in a timely manner
- Be actively engaged when working with the mentor teacher
- Ask questions

Parent/Guardian Commitment

It is expected that the parent/guardian will spend 1-3 hours daily:

- Reading progress report emails
- Reviewing the status of their child's classes
- Monitoring daily and weekly course progress
- Communicating with their child's mentor teacher
- Participate in parent/teacher conferences

Communication

A student and parent/guardian will be able to communicate with the Mentor Teacher via:

- Schoology- Schoology is a learning management system (LMS) used to provide individual communication, mass communication, provide resources, and has a calendar of information.
- Email
- Phone

Mentor Teacher Academic Support

- RVA mentor provided to monitor progress and provide learner and parent/guardian support
- Available for scheduled small group virtual or in-person instruction (1-3 hours per week based on student need and class structure)
- Ability to modify and personalize courses to meet student academic needs and interests
- Supervision and administration of all state assessments

Support Services

- Students with IEPs can still be provided with services via teletherapy or small group in-person instruction (special education provider, speech pathologist, social worker)
- Students with 504s plans will be reviewed and implemented via their general education setting.
- Students who qualify for MTSS (Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports) intervention will be provided with scheduled small group virtual or in-person instruction

Technology

All students will have access to a Chromebook from Riverview Community Schools. Chromebooks will be monitored by the learning coach and Riverview Community Schools. It is highly recommended to use a personal laptop or desktop computer if you have access.

It is the responsibility of the learner & parent to review, agree, and sign the Riverview Community School District Agreement for Acceptable Use of Technology Resources.

If you have issues with your Chromebook, please email the mentor teacher.

RVA Tips and Tricks for Success

- Identify a set time each day to complete schoolwork
- Create a schedule for this set daily time
- Graph weekly progress
- Designate a comfortable work area free from distractions
- Organize school supplies in the work area
- Check Schoology and email daily
- Use a planner, notebooks, and a to-do list to stay organized
- Ask questions

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment and Understanding

I have read and understand the policies and stated expectations for my child and agree to support the Riverview Virtual Academy program expectations. I understand that this is a full year commitment and my participation in my child's education will help determine their likelihood of success in the program.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date