## Instruction

# Idaho Digital Learning Academy Classes

The Idaho Digital Learning Academy (IDLA) is a legislatively created virtual school created to provide Idaho students with greater access to an assortment of courses while working in collaboration with public schools. IDLA offers educational opportunities that meet students' changing needs and grant the student flexibility of learning anytime, any place and at a pace that meets their individual learning styles.

The District will use IDLA classes to supplement its curriculum and to provide remedial academic support. For most students, IDLA courses may not be used to replace existing district courses (except for credit recovery) without permission of the Superintendent. Students seeking a Lakeland Joint School District diploma will be limited to six (6) IDLA credits. Exceptions must be approved by the Superintendent.

## Site Coordinator

The District will provide an individual, employed by the District, as a Site Coordinator. The Site Coordinator is to regularly motivate and monitor the progress of the student. The role of the Site Coordinator is to:

- A. Advise the student on appropriate courses for registration.
- B. Ensure that the student is completing work on a timely basis, including checking grades online every three weeks.
- C. Proctor the final exam.
- Facilitate communications with the student's parent/guardian regarding course progress and the IDLA instructor.

Additionally, the Site Coordinator is a contact for the IDLA instructor and IDLA staff. A Site Coordinator shall be assigned to each building, or in the alternative, each District. Anyone selected as a District Site Coordinator shall successfully complete the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course. The cost of the IDLA online Site Coordinator Course shall be paid by the District.

## Student and Course Selection

District administrators, counselors and teachers will identify those students in grades seven (7) through twelve (12) who will benefit from IDLA classes.

At the discretion of the Principal or designee, students may be selected to take IDLA courses who:

- A. Need to make up credits in order to graduate on schedule;
- B. Are eligible for hospital or homebound programs;
- C. Are interested in advanced placement or dual credit courses;
- D. Want to supplement their curriculum by taking course(s) not offered at their school:

- E. Have scheduling conflicts;
- F. Want to accelerate their academic program by taking additional courses to facilitate early graduation;
- G. Are excused from being physically present on the campus of their school of record for an extended period of time.

Students may be denied the privilege of IDLA enrollment if their academic and behavioral record does not indicate the academic ability and self-discipline needed to succeed in online classes.

The parent, student and principal or designee must confer and agree that course(s) selected is (are) academically and developmentally appropriate for the student and that all prerequisites as determined by the student's school of record have been completed before registration in an IDLA course.

# **Ethical Conduct**

Any student attending classes through IDLA shall adhere to the District's Acceptable Use policies 3270 and 3270P and any acceptable use policy implemented by IDLA. Additionally, the student and the student's parent/guardian shall agree to abide by the Acceptable Use form 3270F prior to IDLA classes beginning.

In the event of a violation of the acceptable use policy, plagiarism, or other disciplinary issues, IDLA will notify the District. The District shall take any disciplinary measures necessary as provided in District policy.

# Tuition / Fees

The District shall abide by the IDLA Fees Policy Statement provided by IDLA. The District shall pay other IDLA costs associated with students who take IDLA classes as part of their normal school day. The District will pay the tuition fees for eligible students (dual enrolled, advanced placement, home school, or part time) if the students time enrolled in an IDLA class has been approved through the Site Coordinator and is included in the district ADA reporting and state reimbursement program. Tuition fees paid to IDLA will be the responsibility of the student if he/she is taking a course for credit retrieval or the student is enrolled in sufficient classes to qualify as fulltime, without taking an IDLA course.

If the student is enrolled in six or more credits or sufficient classes to qualify as fulltime in the home high school, the student is responsible for all tuition and registration fees to be paid to IDLA. Exceptions must be approved by the Superintendent.

### **Grading**

IDLA provides a percentage grade to the local school districts. The district transcribes the credit. The grade received from any IDLA class will be averaged into the student's GPA. The student will be granted high school credit when earned through the IDLA.

For all other requirements regarding IDLA, please refer to the Idaho Digital Learning Academy current year Fees Policy Statement.

Legal References: I.C. § 33-5502 Creation-Legislative Findings- Goal

I.C. § 33-5505 Definitions

Paulson v. Minidoka School District no. 331, 93 Idaho 469,

<u>470(1970)</u>

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