## OWOSSO PUBLIC SCHOOLS Ready for the World

## **Owosso Public Schools Virtual Learning Grades 6-12**

Owosso Public Schools is the District of Opportunities! We understand the need to provide all students with learning options in an environment that fits their needs and supports their success. Although face-to-face instruction is far superior, we offer a fully virtual learning option for students in grades 6-12 with <u>limited</u> capacity by parent/family request through your child's school.

### Is virtual learning right for my child?

Please review these questions carefully before opting for virtual learning.

- Students will need a learning coach at home to help facilitate the instructional time.
- Learning will be rigorous and requires the ability to focus and self-guide at times.
- Students and at-home learning coaches must connect with and communicate weekly with the virtual learning mentor teacher to successfully complete courses.
- Students will need internet access and an internet-accessible device (Chromebook, laptop, or desktop computer with a camera and microphone). If you do not have internet access and/or a device, the district will work with you to provide those items.

### Owosso Public Schools Virtual Learning Program Details (Grade 6-12):

- Students will be enrolled through Owosso Middle School, Owosso High School, or Lincoln Alternative High School.
- Online learning will occur at home utilizing the Edgenuity program, an Owosso Board of Education approved learning platform with highly-qualified certified teachers.
- Students will be given a full 7-hour schedule similar to the traditional middle or high school.
- Students can participate in extracurricular activities, student organizations, and athletics. Attendance (logins and two-way contacts) and course progress will be eligibility requirements for participation in these activities, organizations, and athletics.
- Students will be required to commit to a semester (two quarters if a Lincoln student) of virtual learning.
- Students with an individualized educational program (IEP) will receive services in person at the building.

## **Virtual Learning Requirements:**

- Weekly two-way contact with the virtual mentor teacher is **required**. This contact should be specific to your academic courses through phone, email, or direct messaging through Edgenuity.
- Students will make progress of 7-10% in **each assigned course** per week to ensure that credit is earned within the semester/quarter.
- Students must check their email every school day.
- October 2, 2024, and February 12, 2025 students must log in to their Edgenuity and complete at least one activity in **EVERY** assigned course.

Students MUST attend their assigned school in person for all State of Michigan standardized testing. Failure to take the tests may result in failure to graduate or continuing in virtual learning.

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## Should a student fail to meet the requirements of virtual learning:

- The student and parent/guardian will be sent a first notice of truancy after two weeks of no contact and/or not making adequate progress.
- If the lack of communication and progress continues, a formal petition of truancy will be filed.
- Failure to report to the school of enrollment for state-mandated testing will result in a return to in-person learning for the next semester/trimester.

#### To proceed with virtual learning, complete the following steps:

- 1. Read, review, and identify whether virtual learning is for you.
- 2. Review the requirements with your student, so they are fully aware of their commitment to virtual learning.
- 3. Return the virtual learning contract to your school of enrollment (OMS, OHS, LHS) by:
  - a. Friday, August 16, 2024
  - b. Friday, December 13, 2024
- 4. Attend the Virtual Learning Orientation at Lincoln High School as scheduled with the Virtual Mentor.
- 5. Check your student email provided by Owosso Public Schools for the next steps and login information.

### A student will be officially enrolled in virtual learning when these steps are completed:

- This contract is signed and received by the school of enrollment.
- The student and parent attend the Virtual Learning Orientation or meet directly with the virtual mentor.
- The virtual mentor has emailed the schedule and login information to the student, and the student has responded. This will be done through the student email address assigned by Owosso Public Schools.

As the parent/guardian of	
Parent's/Guardian's Name:	Phone:
Email:	
Parent's/Guardian's Signature:	Date:
Student's Name:	Grade for the 2024-25 School Year:
Student's Signature:	Date:

If you have any questions regarding virtual learning, contact Mrs. Cathy Dwyer, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, at (989)723-8131.