

Wyoming Valley West School District

WVW Cyber Education FAQ Sheet

Q: Does WVW offer an online cyber program?

A: Yes, The WVW online cyber school began in the fall of 2013.

Q: What grade levels are eligible to participate?

A: Grade 6 through 12 currently participate with the possibility of elementary students beginning in the future.

Q: How many hours per week are required?

A: Students must log on and participate in 20 hours of instruction per week. Time requirements depend upon grade level and course load.

Q: Are teachers who instruct the online environment from outside the district?

A: No, Unlike other cyber or Charter Schools, WVW cyber school uses Wyoming Valley West teachers.

Q: If my child struggles on the WVW Cyber School does the district offer any supports?

A: Yes! Since we use our own teachers, the student may receive remediation and/or tutoring at either the Middle or High School.

Q. If the parent/student finds the online environment is not for them can they return to the high school or middle school?

A: Absolutely.

Q: What advantages does the WVW cyber program offer? Program advantages include:

A:

1. Assistance for struggling students.
2. Participation in all WVW athletic and/or extra-curricular activities including the prom, senior tea, homecoming, etc.
3. Earning a WVW diploma and being able to graduate at Spartan Stadium with his/her peers.
4. Seamless transition back into the high school or middle school if needed.

Q: Does the district monitor student work?

A: Yes, The system reports progress to parents/guardians each morning and on a daily basis, two full-time technology coaches are employed by the district to monitor student progress.

Q: My child has an individualized education plan (IEP), can he/she participate in the WVW cyber program?

A: Yes, Our program includes WVW special education certified teachers to meet the special needs of students in the WVW cyber program.

Q: What are the academic opportunities for my child in the WVW cyber program?

A: Program advantages include:

1. Student-paced learning to re-review challenging material at a slow pace.
2. Student-paced learning to work ahead in daily lessons.
3. Opportunities for high achieving students to take advantage of traditional courses and also extend a school day with additional required classes. This works especially well for students who want to complete a well-developed college program and participate in elective courses such as music programs.
4. Opportunities for students to work beyond the traditional school day in credit recovery courses.

Q: Does the parent/guardian need to be computer literate?

A: A parent or academic guide in the home needs to be able to communicate with the program system, cyber teachers and support staff through email. The cyber program is a user friendly system. It is easy for most students to navigate on their own. Basic computer skills for the guardian are suggested, but not required.

Q Are extensions granted if a student gets behind?

A: Extensions may be granted depending on a case-by-case basis.

Q: How can I get more information?

A: You can call Dave Tosh, Director of Secondary Education, at 570-288-655 or you can contact Russ Singer or Dana Mascioli at the same number. If you wish to use email, you can contact the district at wwwcyber@wwwsd.org.

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