

Madison Online Academy



Students participating in the Madison Online Academy option will be using an online curriculum and platform (NOVA and Edmentum). Students will work independently with the assistance and support of a Madison teacher. This option is different from what students experienced during remote learning last spring. Students will not come to a school building for instruction and will not be in the same classes or have the same teachers as students participating in Option 1. It is recommended students follow a schedule to complete online learning, assignments, and assessments. The online curriculum will meet the same standards as our Madison Local Schools' curriculum, but it will not necessarily match the same pacing or activities that are delivered in our school buildings. Students will have access to courses in all core areas (ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies). Students will also have limited access to specials (K-5) and electives (6-12). Students in grades 6-12 will not have access to their full schedule as planned this past spring. The Madison Online Academy is a one semester commitment through December. If state or local regulations require a school closure, students participating in this option will continue to use the online curriculum and platform. Students may continue to participate in after-school activities at their school building, including extra-curricular activities as long as all eligibility requirements are met.

Parents/Caregivers Expectations:

- Monitor student progress/completion of coursework.
- Develop a "school schedule" for your child during regular school hours to keep routines in place as they work from home.
- Communicate questions and concerns immediately to staff.
- Monitor and support student progress via parent access to the online platform and progress information.
- Review the District Acceptable Use Policy with your student.
- Provide an optimal learning environment that is free from distractions.

Student Expectations:

- Participate in virtual check-in meetings designed to support progress.
- Communicate questions and concerns immediately to teachers.
- Navigate online platform and complete coursework to capability. Grades will be assigned, and daily attendance will be taken.
- Follow the District Acceptable Use Policy.

School Expectations:

- Support students by assisting with use of the online platform, pacing, and providing feedback on assignments.
- Participate in virtual check-in meetings designed to support student course progress.
- Be available for office hours.
- Record grades in a timely manner.
- Provide help desk assistance when technology issues occur.
- Ensure each student has a device and internet access at home.
- Monitor program and student progress.
- Implement appropriate grading procedures and attendance policies.



There are several important things to consider before selecting this option:



1. Students who begin the year fully online are committed to staying with this option for the entire first semester. In December, students in this option will choose to either remain in this option for the second semester or return to school for in-person learning.
2. Students will complete 100% of their work in an online setting.
3. Students will not be in the same classes or have the same teachers as students participating in the face-to-face option.
4. For elementary students, it will be important to have a parent, guardian, or caregiver to assume the role of 'learning coach'. For Middle School and High School students, those who are self directed, internally motivated, and capable of learning independently will experience the most success with this option.
5. All students who select this option will be assigned a Madison Teacher that will conduct regular check ins and hold one on one Virtual Meetings. It is important to remember that the majority of the learning will occur independently by the student, and that help from the teacher will not be available in the same manner that occurs during in-person learning.
6. Teachers will not deliver live instruction within this instructional model, however, they will hold check-in meetings with students and families to facilitate progress.
7. Students enrolled in this option will be expected to participate daily in instructional activities and all check-ins facilitated by staff members. The online platform courseware logs time on task and progress made, and students who do not demonstrate daily progress will have the potential for academic, attendance, and extra-curricular consequences.
8. Students who select this option will be allowed to participate in extracurricular activities, but must complete daily educational activities and demonstrate adequate academic progress in order to remain eligible to participate in those extracurricular activities.
9. Students will receive traditional grades in alignment with the grading scales and policies of Madison Local Schools.
10. The Madison Online Academy will follow a rigorous, district approved, online-based curriculum and instructional platform. While this curriculum will align with state standards, it may not mirror the same pacing, sequence, or activities as the district's "in-building" instruction.
11. Students in grades 6-12 who are attending the Madison Online Academy will NOT be able to participate in co-curricular activities (i.e. choir, band).
12. Students choosing the Madison Online Academy will not have access to Madison building facilities or premises during the school day unless arranged by the instructor.
13. Madison Online Academy Courses in grades 9-12 will allow students to earn credits towards graduation.
14. Students will be required to take Ohio Achievement Assessments, End of Course Exams, ACT, and other required exams within the Madison Local District. Dates and logistics of each exam will be communicated well in advance of the tests.

If you think the Madison Online Academy is a good fit for your child you may register them at this link:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdibhtGH3IV5Z5YXngr0n70U7e7na-xHLMRxRnYpl1yg523w/viewform?usp=pp_url