STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Virtual students are required to present proof of " attendance" on their on-line courses by submitting proof of log-in on count day. The state sometimes requires other log-in evidence in the month following count day. This is easily done by mailing a PDF file to the JPS mentor assigned to you. Your mentor will provide any necessary help with this.
2. Full-time students (those taking 3 or 4 classes, including college courses) must have weekly contact with the JPS mentor. This can be done through e-mail, phone call, or face-to-face meetings.
3. Any assessments (MEAP, Michigan Merit Exam, which are required by State of Michigan are also required of full-time students. Accommodations will be made to test all of our virtual students.

HOW TO ENROLL

Process:
Part-time students will need to fill out the JPS/ Wilson Virtual Program Enrollment form and provide a copy of their birth certificate.

Full-time or Seat-time Waiver students need to fill out the same forms as part-time students. A graduation plan may also be required.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

To obtain further information or to enroll, you may contact the virtual program by calling:

517-841-2806
or
517-841-2801

E-mail to:
mkonkle@jpsmail.org
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IS ON-LINE LEARNING FOR YOU

- Successful on-line learners do just as well, if not better, without people looking over their shoulders.
- Successful on-line learners are self-disciplined and have developed time management skills.
- Successful on-line learners have good reading comprehension skills.
- Successful on-line learners feel all right about missing the social elements of traditional schools.
- Successful on-line learners are strong self-advocates, who are comfortable asking questions when they don't understand something.

If, after comparing your personality and learning style to the traits of successful on-line students and you have discovered that you have a lot in common, on-line classes may be the perfect option for you

WHO MAY APPLY

Middle and High School Age Students who:

- Are interested in accelerated learning
- Are home-bound, hospitalized, or have a medical situation
- Are home-schooled
- Are expelled or on long term suspension
- Are pregnant or a teen parent
- Are working students
- Have social/emotional/family issues

COST

The Good News: All cost for virtual courses as well as textbooks and materials are covered by JPS. For college courses, students pay the cost for textbooks; the District request that whenever possible texts are purchased at Amazon.com using the text's ISBN number. At the end of the semester, if textbooks are turned back into JPS with an accompanying receipt showing proof of cost, the entire amount, including shipping will be reimbursed to student.

TYPES OF ENROLLMENT

PART-TIME: Students may enroll in one or two virtual classes.

SEAT-TIME WAIVER: Students may enroll in three or four classes

Part-time and Seat-time Waiver students may choose either teacher-facilitated programs or teacher-led programs. All programs are mentored by a certified, qualified teacher. Jackson Public Schools works in conjunction with the Genesee County ISD, Jackson County ISD, and other educational providers, to offer a wide selection of learning opportunities.

DUAL ENROLLED: Students may enroll in one or more virtual classes and one or more college classes (for up to a total of twelve hours of classes).

Jackson Public Schools works in conjunction with:

- Baker College
- Jackson Community College
- Spring Arbor University

Students wishing to enroll in either Baker, JCC or SAU are responsible for selecting the courses and filling out the appropriate dual enrollment form. The forms are submitted to the Virtual School administrator for signature and then we fax the enrollment form to the college for enrollment and to our financial office for payment.

Note: All college credits will apply to both high school and college.

EDUCATIONAL PROVIDERS

- Aventa
- Florida Virtual School
- Lincoln Interactive
- Michigan Virtual High School
- Virtual Greenbush
- Northwestern University
- K-12 Learning
- University of Nebraska
- Edison Leaning
- Brigham Young University
- APEX
- E2020

All courses have a certified, qualified teacher to instruct and the online learning mirrors the role of a traditional classroom teacher in a virtual environment.

Some providers make use of Web-based course management system or application such as Blackboard. The online teacher provides the organization, direction, educational content and feedback for the students. In addition, per State of Michigan requirements, JPS assigns a certified, qualified teacher to act as mentor.

Both APEX and E2020 are Internet based course management systems. This form of delivery places expectations on students to take significant responsibility for their own learning, although a certified, qualified teacher in each core curricular area is assigned to grade assignments and provide assistance.