CANTON LOCAL *Online* VIRTUAL ACADEMY

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What is the difference between Remote Learning and the Canton Local Virtual Academy?

Learning Model	Learning Definition
Remote Learning	**Remote Learning occurs when schools are ordered to be closed.** "The goal of remote learning is to ensure learning continues even though school buildings are closed. Remote learning engages students through a variety of learning opportunities, which can be delivered online or offline. Remote learning does not just mean online learning. Technology certainly is a supportive tool for remote learning, but powerful remote learning can occur through thoughtful offline lessons that encourage students to explore the natural world and engage in interdisciplinary and artistic hands-on learning. For the purpose of this resource guide, remote learning means each student is experiencing a learning opportunity supported by a teacher or educator who is in a different location. Working in partnership with educational delivery partners, an educator might deliver instruction by using a device and checking in with students regularly. Remote learning also can include video or audio instruction delivered online or via television, video, telephone or another method that relies on computer or communications technology. It also may include use of printed, paper-based materials that incorporate assignments that engage and seek feedback from students." Remote Learning Resource Guide *-From the Ohio Department of Education*
Online Learning **Canton Local Virtual Academy**	**The Canton Local Virtual Academy (online learning) is offered as an alternative when school buildings are open for face-to-face instruction.** "Online learning – *Education in which instruction and content are delivered primarily over the Internet. (Watson & Kalmon, 2005) The term does not include printed-based correspondence education, broadcast television or radio, videocassettes, and stand-alone educational software programs that do not have a significant Internet-based instructional component. (U.S. Department of Education Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development Policy and Program Studies Service, 2010) Used interchangeably with Virtual learning, Cyber learning, e-learning."* "Online learning program – *An online learning program is an organized offering of courses delivered primarily over the Internet."* International Association for K-12 Online Learning *-As referenced in Ohio Revised Code 3314.23*

Q: For students enrolled in the Canton Local Virtual Academy, what happens if school buildings are ordered to be closed?
A: Canton Local Virtual Academy students will have the option to:
(a) Remain in the virtual academy online courses *or*
(b) Join their grade levels in Remote Learning.
If students select option (b), it is expected that students will complete the current nine weeks in the virtual academy and then join the remote learning class at the beginning of the new grading period.

Q: Once my students are enrolled, what are the next steps?
A: August 7 at 9:00PM: Enrollment/Withdrawal closes.
        August 11-13: Middle and high school students select course electives.
        August 14: Canton Local Virtual Academy Staff Training Day
        August 18: Canton Local Virtual Academy Staff Work Day
        August 19: Family/Student Orientation Day
        August 20: Students officially begin Virtual Academy learning.

Q: Can students enroll for some Virtual Academy courses and some face-to-face courses?
A: Students must commit to either (a) all face-to-face courses or (b) all Virtual Academy courses.
NOTE: Students who are enrolled in Career Technical education (CTE) programs must take their CTE programs in-person, but they may still choose to take non-CTE courses virtually. See CTE questions at the end of the FAQ document for more information.

Q. Will the online version be ongoing or just for this up and coming academic year?
A. The Canton Local Virtual Academy is offered only for the 2020-2021 school year.

Q. Is online learning 9 weeks at a time?
A. Yes.

Q. If we start the year with in-school learning and after a week or two the kids cannot handle the masks with the heat in the building at Walker, can we switch to online?
A. The enrollment/withdrawal deadline for the first nine weeks is Friday, August 7 at 9pm. Thereafter, requests for enrollment in the Canton Local Virtual Academy will be accepted the week prior to the beginning of the second, third, and fourth grading periods.

Q. If we choose the online option to start the school year and circumstances change (like a vaccine becomes available or case load drops significantly, or child does horrible with the online schooling) would we be able to change to in school option?
A. Requests for withdrawal from the Canton Local Virtual Academy will be accepted the week prior to the beginning of the second, third, and fourth grading periods.

Q. Can kids still play sports if you choose online learning?
A. Yes.

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Q: Will the curriculum align to the pace and sequence of face-to-face classroom instruction?
A: Edgenuity's courses are fully customizable. Where applicable and to the best of our ability, Canton Local staff will align course content and pacing to Canton Local curriculum maps per subject/course. Courses may also be customized to the student's particular learning needs including special education and gifted identification.

Q: How will the district support students enrolled in the Canton Local Virtual Academy?
A: Virtual Academy Coordinator:
> Provides family orientation & training; sets up courses; enrolls students into courses; trains support staff; serves as main point-of-contact for Canton Local Virtual Academy staff.

Canton Local Virtual Academy Staff Support:
> Adjusts instructional sequence per district curriculum maps and student needs; monitors pacing & grades; provides any needed course adjustments; provides Edgenuity-specific tech support; regularly checks in with students and family; provides IEP accommodations.

Q: How will families be able to communicate with Canton Local support staff?
A: Students and families can communicate with Canton Local support staff by phone or email. Please allow up to 24 hours to receive a response.

Q: Who creates the Virtual Academy course materials? What is included? How can I view sample lessons?
A. Edgenuity uses the principles of learning, pedagogy, and content frameworks to create teaching materials and experiences for the online courses. Laptops are available from the district.

Grade Level Overview	Demonstration Links	
Grades K-3 Curriculum Overview	**Demo Kindergarten** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo91 · Pass: elemdemo91 **Demo 1st Grade** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo92 · Pass: elemdemo92	**Demo 2nd Grade** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo93 · Pass: elemdemo93 **Demo 3rd Grade** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo94 · Pass: elemdemo94
Grades 4-5 Curriculum Overview	**Demo 4th Grade** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo95 · Pass: elemdemo95	**Demo 5th Grade** - (Workbooks provided.) · URL: https://sislogin.edgenuity.com/ · Username: elemdemo96 · Pass: elemdemo96

Grade Level	Information/Demonstration Links	Demonstration Links

Grades 6-8 Course Offerings	Notes:
	• Middle school band and and choir are not available to Virtual Academy students.
	• HS Foundations of Art will be available during the second semester.
	
	• To preview Algebra I, see the high school section.
	
	Demo 6th Grade
	· **URL Login:** Edgenuity Student Login
	· Username*:* fmmsdemo6
	· Pass: fmmsdemo6
	    ● OH-Math6
	    ● OH-ELA6
	    ● OH-Science6
		Demo 7th Grade
		· **URL Login:** Edgenuity Student Login
		· Username*:* fmmsdemo7
		· Pass: fmmsdemo7
		    ● H-ELA7
		    ● OH-Math7
		    ● OH-Social Studies7
		
		Demo 8th Grade
		· **URL Login:** Edgenuity Student Login
		· Username*:* fmmsdemo8
		· Pass: fmmsdemo8
		    ● OH-ELA8
		    ● OH-Math8
		    ● OH-Algebra I
		    ● OH-Science8

High School Course Offerings	• AP & Honors: These courses are available online via the Virtual Academy.
	• CCP: Colleges are allowing students to switch to online courses.
	    ● Kent Stark classes begin on August 27th. Students can enroll through September 2nd.
	    ● Stark State classes begin on August 31st. Students can enroll through September 5th.
	    ● Contact nicky.boyd@cantonlocal.org for more information.
	• Band and choir are not offered through the Virtual Academy. Band and SOS face-to-face courses are connected to co-curricular activities. At this time, band is the only face-to-face course with after-school performances scheduled.
	• Band is therefore the only on-campus course (8th period) currently available for face-to-face enrollment. Virtual Academy students will be able to keep this course on their schedule if they so choose.
	• For Virtual Academy students currently enrolled in SOS, a Virtual Academy elective option will need to replace this course.
		URL Login 9-12 : Edgenuity Student Login
		Grade 9
		· Username*:* cshsdemo3
		· Pass: cshsdemo3
		    ● OH-ELA9
		    ● Alg I
		    ● OH-Phys Sci
		    ● Mod World Hist
		Grade 10
		· Username*:* cshsdemo1
		· Pass: cshsdemo1
		    ● OH-ELA10
		    ● OH-Geom
		    ● OH-Amer Hist
		    ● OH-Bio
		Grade 11
		· Username*:* cshsdemo2
		· Pass: cshsdemo2
		    ● OH-ELA11
		    ● Alg II
		    ● Environ Sci
		    ● Government
		Grade 12
		· Username*:* cshsdemo4
		· Pass: cshsdemo4
		    ● OH-ELA12
		    ● Financial Math (Math IV)

Q: What is the responsibility of the family? What does a typical day include? Is there flexibility as to when learning takes place?

A: Yes, there is flexibility for families. See information listed below.

Learning Coach Guide, Grades K-3
Learning Coach Guide, Grades 4-5

Grades K-5	Recommended Time on Course
Language Arts	60 to 75 minutes daily
Math	45 to 60 minutes daily
Social Studies	30 to 45 minutes daily
Science	30 to 45 minutes daily
Other (Art, Music)	30 to 45 minutes, 2 to 3 times a week

Considerations for Success in Grades 6-12
Students should expect 5-8 hours of work per core course per week.

Q: What grading scale will be used?

A: See Canton Local District Handbook, pages 17-18.

Q: Will Virtual Academy students be able to interact with other students?

A: Within the Edgenuity platform, students are able to communicate online with other Virtual Academy students in each of their courses.

Q: What do I do if there are issues with my student's computer?

A: Complete a Help Desk ticket located on the Canton Local website at cantonlocal.org.

Q. If online learning is selected how will my child take the AIR assessment and state testing?

A. Students are required to take state tests at a school building site. Building principals will contact Virtual Academy students as the test window approaches.

Q. If we choose homeschooling... how will 3rd graders take the AIR TEST?

Homeschooling is different from the Canton Local Virtual Academy learning opportunity. Please refer to the Ohio Department of Education website for specific information on homeschooling.

Q. If we choose the online option, will they offer zoom classes?

A. The Canton Local Virtual Academy uses its own digital platform. Training and self-guided tutorials will be Provided.

Virtual Academy & Special Education

Q. Will my special needs child with an IEP still get speech and OT online? Will he be assigned an intervention specialist from Canton Local that I can reach out to with issues with online work? Will he still be getting his enrichment?

A. Specially designed instruction based on the IEP will be addressed with the team including the parents to support delivery of necessary services. Specific limited accommodations can be offered through the Virtual Academy based on student need. A Canton Local intervention specialist will remain the case manager for monitoring curriculum progression. Related services such as PT, OT, and speech will be supported on an individual basis dependent on team decision either through an online platform or scheduled appointments.

Virtual Academy & Career Tech Education (CTE)

Q. What are the options for career tech and what health and what safety options will be in place?

A. Students who are enrolled in a junior/senior career tech program that runs 2-3 periods are required to take the CTE courses in person. Decisions made to support the health and safety of our students and staff will be based on specific needs of each career tech pathway and learning space. We will invest in PPE and supplies to support increased cleaning and sanitation of technology, tools, and equipment. We will also adjust our daily routines to protect social distancing for students, as much as possible. Industry standards outlined in the Responsible RestartOhio documents for workplace environments will be considered, given that our career tech labs are designed and expected to mirror the workplace environment.

Q. Will students participating in the CTE program be able to do their regular classes online and attend only the CTE classes in person?

Yes. Although students are required to take their career tech courses in person, they are permitted to take their other core classes online. The family will be responsible for any transportation that is needed outside the normal bus transportation schedule.