

**Instruction****Curriculum****Virtual Education (Online Learning)**

The Watertown Unified School District recognizes that delivery of educational options continues to evolve as schools adapt to how individuals learn and as educational institutions promote delivery methods consistent with evolving communications and information technologies. WUSD considers online instruction as a means to enhance current and/or expand course offerings and provide an educational option suited to the learning needs of students seeking fully online curriculum, partial on-line curriculum, support for personalized learning plans, and/or collegiate level offerings/coursework.

Therefore, students enrolled in WUSD will have options relating to online (virtual) education. Some of these include (but are not limited to) support for existing face-to-face instruction, WUSD created online courses, and courses offered through the WUSD partnership with the Wisconsin Digital Learning Collaborative (WDLC). Where resources permit, online courses may be taken as part of the regular schedule or as partial or full-time virtual education enrollment. Virtual education enrollment(s) shall follow WUSD board policies regarding open enrollment, Youth Options, full-time enrollment, and any others that may apply. Students and families are also expected to comply with the guidelines set forth in the WUSD e-Campus Student and Parent Handbook. Virtual education opportunities must align with locally approved academic standards that include both Wisconsin and National standards. In addition, a virtual education course of study must comply with the district's policies on acceptable use and content. Relative to high school graduation, a virtual course must comply with the district's graduation requirements and receive pre-approval during the registration process.

**Legal Reference:**                    **Section 118.33(1) Wisconsin Statutes**  
    **Section 118.51(1)(c) Wisconsin Statutes**  
    **Section 118.15(1)(d) Wis. Statutes**  
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