



DIAL Virtual School
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DIAL Virtual School Distance Learning Policies

Classroom/Instructional Policies

1. Class Type and Size .

Blackboard classes are done over the internet using the Blackboard learning management system (dial.blackboard.com). Students will need a username and password (provided by DIAL) to access their course assignments and materials. Each student will determine a designated time period during the school day to access work in their class. Students may also access their class anytime and anywhere with an internet connection.

Edgenuity classes are done over the internet. Students will receive a username and password from Edgenuity to access their course assignments and materials. Students may access their class anytime and anywhere with a high-speed internet connection.

The student-teacher ratio will be determined based on the following factors: teacher availability, enrollment period, course demand, number of courses being taught by the teacher, and teacher experience.

2. Discipline

- a. Students are required to abide by the guidelines of the distance learning student policy. A signed copy of the policy will be maintained in each student's record at his/her school unless home district has their own distance policy.
- b. Class facilitators monitor for copying, and correct if necessary, student behavior through their physical presence in the classroom. Facilitators may also serve as communicators with teachers.
- c. Teachers are expected to maintain usual classroom order but shall not be held liable for behavior of students at remote sites.
- d. In the event of behavior problems, the teacher will notify remote site personnel as soon as possible. Remote site personnel should handle behavior problems.
- e. Unresolved or ongoing problems will be handled in accordance with the procedures listed on pages 2 of the Student Policy.

3. Class Evaluation. Students and facilitators in DIAL Virtual School classes are asked to complete a survey evaluating classes each semester.

4. Attendance. Attendance in class is critical to student success. Local attendance policies will apply to students taking distance learning classes. Online students should be expected to log in or be online at least every other day.

5. Assigned Work. Assignments are expected by the due date. If work will be late, communication is expected with the teacher. Individual student circumstances will be addressed based on each teacher’s expectations.

6. Grading. DIAL Virtual School teachers will provide a percentage score for work done in the distance classroom. Letter grades will be assigned in accordance with the local grading policy. DIAL teachers will provide periodic updates to the class facilitator with the student scores. Grades are input on the SDVS site and reports are generated and emailed to the designated attendance center contact. Please contact the DIAL teacher for questions regarding student scores.

	Start	End
1 st Semester	August 18, 2021	December 17, 2021
2nd Semester	January 5, 2022	May 13, 2022

7. Student – Teacher Communications. Effective and timely communications between students and teachers is essential to the success of a virtual school class. A variety of methods exist for communications including 2-way video conferencing, email, telephone, and face-to-face visits. Teachers will provide an email address and telephone number in their course syllabus to be used for student contact. Teachers will reply to student email or phone calls within 24 hours on school days and on the next class day when received over the weekend.