



DCS Virtual

What

DCS Virtual is an opportunity for Davie County students to get rigorous, personalized instruction remotely. DCS Virtual will be very different from what students, parents and teachers experienced in the spring during remote learning. Certified Davie County Schools' teachers will be developing lessons based on the NC Public Schools standards. There will be much more structure and accountability, with live instruction, regularly scheduled sessions with a teacher or group, plus some flexible instruction with pre-recorded sessions, assignments and tasks that will be completed within a certain time frame. Students will be provided a device if needed. Teachers and students will have access to the same resources that are available to other Davie County teachers and students. This online option is a unique opportunity that requires commitment both from families and DCS in planning, staffing, and sustaining. Students who are accepted into DCS Virtual are expected to make a 1-year commitment to the program.

Who

All kindergarten through twelfth grade students who are enrolled in Davie County Schools are eligible to apply for DCS Virtual. Homeschool and private school students are also encouraged to apply.

Successful students of online learning programs are motivated, independent, self-disciplined, adaptable, and flexible. Please keep in mind that online learning is not for everyone. DCS Virtual will be very different from the remote learning that took place in the 2019-2020 school year; therefore, if your child struggled during that time, the virtual option may not be the best fit. During the application process there will be multiple considerations to determine if this type of instruction is best for your child. This includes, but is not limited to, how your student progressed during remote learning in the spring.

Parents always play an important role in a child's education, but parents will not be expected to teach their child during online learning. Students with special learning needs (IEP, Speech, 504, EL) may be accommodated in DCS Virtual.

When

The application will open on the *Safe and Secure* page of the district website on Friday, July 10 and will close on Sunday, July 19. An application does not mean your student has been accepted. An application review process will then be completed and families will be notified of acceptance as soon as possible. The program will begin on August 17, 2020 and will follow the Davie County Schools 2020-2021 calendar.