

Dear Families,

Welcome to EdOptions Academy Elementary! This school year has begun with new challenges that we are all navigating. Your district has partnered with us to provide our fully-accredited, virtual learning program to your student. Our goal is to provide the highest quality virtual learning experience to each of the districts, families, and students we serve.

Our phased approach clarifies expectations, addresses the unprecedented growth, supports our education partners, offers flexibility, and, most importantly, is best for students.

This plan allows students to:

- **Develop** procedures and routines for a successful virtual learning experience
- **Reframe** thinking and return to learn
- **Address** learning loss and build upon foundational skills
- **Prepare** for the rigorous on-grade level course demands and beyond
- **Allow** education partners the flexibility to adapt as needs change

We assure that the start date for your student will not impact attendance or course completion. This school year presents unique opportunities and unprecedented growth. Our goal is to move students through the enrollment phases as quickly as possible. We understand that virtual instruction requires a great deal of support at home, especially for our younger learners. While you are experiencing multiple competing priorities, manage what is most important for your family. Your partnership, patience, and flexibility are greatly appreciated.

Enrollment Phase 1

My student in the process of being enrolled into the EdOptions Academy program	
Next Step	Student will be enrolled into the Learning Management System (Maestro) and will have access to Exact Path
Instructional Focus	• Develop procedures and routines to ensure a successful virtual learning experience • Reframe thinking and return to learn
What should I do at home?	• Develop an active learning schedule – Parent Guide: Support Your Child During Virtual Learning • Encourage the student to practice adhering to the schedule
Additional Resources	• Access printable resources for daily instruction: https://get.edmentum.com/parents/#printables • Access additional resources for teaching at home: https://get.edmentum.com/parents/#resources • Ideas for at home learning: strategy board games, card games, flash cards, neighborhood field trips, writing alternate endings to stories, story time, arts and crafts, gardening, cooking

Enrollment Phase 2

My student has been enrolled into Maestro and has access to Exact Path	
Next Step	Students will be assigned Calvert Courses and an EdOptions Academy teacher
Instructional Focus	- Address learning loss and build upon foundational skills - Prepare for the rigorous on-grade level course demands and beyond
What should I do at home?	- Access your login information from your email "Welcome to Your EdOptions Academy Course" https://edmentum.maestrosis.com/ - Ensure that the student takes the Exact Path Adaptive Diagnostic to identify skill gaps and strengths - Ensure that the student begins learning in their adaptive individualized learning path to recover necessary skills and prepares for the rigorous on-grade level courses (15-30 mins per subject per day) - Review step-by-step instructions on accessing Exact Path
Additional Resources	- Review the blog: Computer Adaptive Test - Review 5 Tips for Administering the Exact Path Diagnostic - Review Exact Path Overview for Parents - Access printable resources for daily instruction: https://get.edmentum.com/parents/#printables - Access additional resources for teaching at home: https://get.edmentum.com/parents/#resources - Access the Parent Guide: Support Your Child During Virtual Learning - Ideas for at home learning: strategy board games, card games, flash cards, neighborhood field trips, writing alternate endings to stories, story time, arts and crafts, gardening, cooking

Enrollment Phase 3

My student has been enrolled in Maestro, is working to recover skills in Exact Path, and has access to Calvert Courses and an EdOptions Academy teacher	
Next Step	As enrollments stabilize, teacher assignment may adjust to offer a more personalized approach
Instructional Focus	- Continue to address learning loss and build upon foundational skills - Continue to prepare for the rigorous on-grade level course demands and beyond - Review step-by-step instructions on accessing Exact Path
What should I do?	- Access your login information from your email "Welcome to Your EdOptions Academy Course" https://edmentum.maestrosis.com/ - Ensure that students continue learning in their adaptive individualized learning path to recover necessary skills and prepare for the rigorous on-grade level courses (15-30 mins per subject per day)

Optional Resources	• Begin accessing Calvert Content with the support of the at-home Learning Coach/Guide • Review the blog: Computer Adaptive Test • Review 5 Tips for Administering the Exact Path Diagnostic • Review Exact Path Overview for Parents • Review the Success Zone tips: https://www.edoptionsacademy.com/student-success-zone • Review A Day in the Life of a K-5 Student: https://youtu.be/0dzXqaoIR7E • Review the Role of the Learning Guide and Teaching Notes: https://youtu.be/BwHFOL3Wtt8 • Review Best Practices to Support at Home Learning • Access the Parent Guide: Support Your Child During Virtual Learning • Ideas for at home learning: strategy board games, card games, flash cards, neighborhood field trips, writing alternate endings to stories, story time, arts and crafts, gardening, cooking
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Enrollment Phase 4: Teacher Assignment

- Instructional focus and communication will flow through the assigned teacher

For most efficient and effective support, please follow the sequential steps below:

- **Click** the link for technical status updates <http://status.edmentum.com/>
- **Click** the link for additional resources <https://get.edmentum.com/parents/>
- **Click** the link for getting started tools <https://get.edmentum.com/calvert-getting-started-resources/>
- **Reach** out to your district contact
- **Attend** the family townhalls to interact with representatives from EdOptions Academy
- **Click** the link for support <https://www.edmentum.com/support>

Together, we will be successful in supporting the academic needs of our most precious gifts – our students.

Sincerely,
 Sarika Simpson
 Superintendent, Elementary Education