
ONLINE LEARNING POLICY

Information technology has had a significant and fundamental impact on teaching and learning. Gone are the barriers of time, geography, and opportunity. Online courses offer specific and unique opportunities; they are taught by a qualified teacher who has regular virtual contact with students. A course syllabus, which includes course content and an assessment plan, is available. Online courses can increase the range of course offerings available to all students. Thus, the Chariho Regional School District supports the appropriate utilization of online learning for both enrichment and point or credit recovery.

Chariho Middle School/Enrichment

Online learning may be utilized by selected students to enrich and extend the curriculum. Student selection will be through a well-defined and standardized process. Students will have the regular curriculum compacted to facilitate participation. Promotion points may be earned through in-school online learning; points will count toward the total required for promotion. Online learning may allow for acceleration in the regular program. Prior to the first in-school online class session, students must indicate in writing whether or not they wish to receive a numerical grade or a “pass/fail” grade; no subsequent changes will be allowed. Failure to notify the site administrator will result in the issuance of a “pass/fail” grade.

Chariho Middle School/Point Recovery

Online learning may be utilized to recoup promotion points lost due to failure. With the prior approval of the principal, students may complete an online course during non-school hours at their own expense. To recoup promotion points, the grade earned, which must be issued, must be a passing one in accord with the policy of Chariho Middle School. The final grade earned through online learning will be noted as a “pass” or “fail” on the student transcript.

Chariho High School/Enrichment

Online learning may be utilized to enrich the curriculum. Students who choose to utilize online learning for this purpose during non-school hours will do so at their own expense. Students enrolled in an online course will not be excused from the annual seven course high school requirement. Credits will be issued, but will not count toward the total required for graduation. The final grade earned through online learning, which must be issued, will be noted as a “pass” or “fail” on the student transcript.

Each year, Chariho High School will offer a specific number of in-school online courses to all students to be divided approximately evenly among the four grades. Participation is limited to one online course per year. Students may register for school-approved courses not offered at Chariho High School, except that students may register for courses offered at Chariho High School if they have previously failed said course. Participation in such a course will be during the school day and will be one of the annual seven course high school requirements. Credits will be issued and will count toward the total required for graduation. Prior to the first in-school online class session, students must indicate in writing whether or not they wish to receive a numerical grade or a “pass/fail” grade; no subsequent changes will be allowed. Failure to notify the site administrator will result in the issuance of a “pass/fail” grade.

Participation in online learning may allow for acceleration in the regular program.

Chariho High School/Credit Recovery

Online learning may be used to recoup credit lost due to failure. With the prior approval of the principal, students may complete an online course during non-school hours at their own expense. To recoup credit, the grade earned, which must be issued, must be a passing one in accord with the policy of Chariho High School. The final grade earned through online learning will be noted as a “pass” on the student transcript.

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