VIRTUAL EDUCATION

The Rice Lake Area School District recognizes "virtual education" as an appropriate instructional delivery system for students, supported by the school district's mission to provide an educational experience in which students acquire the skills to succeed in the 21st century.

Online instruction is viewed as a method for the District to enhance or expand course offerings and to provide an educational alternative better suited to the learning needs of a diverse population of students.

Virtual educational opportunities must have an identifiable curriculum, an educationally valid authorship, and must be instructed/facilitated by either a licensed instructor or by an instructor who is authorized by an accredited educational institution. Virtual courses of study must comply with the Wisconsin Model Academic Standards and/or national educational standards. In addition, virtual curriculum must comply with the district graduation requirements. Relative to the application of virtual education for pre-college credits, a virtual course of study must comply with the standards of the College Board's Advanced Placement (AP) curriculum.

Students participating in online courses may work at school or in an alternative setting approved by the District. The District is not obligated to provide hardware and/or software or Internet access necessary for completion of the course if work is done off campus. The necessary arrangements as to setting and provision of equipment must be made before enrolling in the course.

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