

DoDEA Virtual School

Second Semester Registration Tip Sheet

DoDEA will offer a virtual option for families and students for the **second semester of school year (SY) 2020-21**. DoDEA recognizes that students and families with health vulnerabilities related to COVID-19 may still have concerns about returning to school. To support all students, DoDEA will continue to operate full-time in-person schools and also provide a full-time virtual learning option for grades K–12 students. Parents that choose to enroll their students in the Virtual School option must agree to remain for the full semester.

Families may choose to remain in their current learning environment (in-person or virtual) or they may choose to transition to a different learning environment (virtual to in-person or in-person to virtual). The enrollment period will begin on Thursday, October 15 and remain open through Friday, November 6. This three week period will allow for parents with students currently in DVS to have first quarter report cards and a parent-teacher-conference prior to committing to DVS for the second semester.

To learn more about DoDEA's expanded K-12 Virtual School, please go to <https://www.dodea.edu/returntoschool.cfm> and select the "Virtual Option" tab.

Families that would like to:

- 1) Change their child/children from in person instruction to the virtual school for the second semester of the 2020-21 school year will be required to **enroll** in DVS through the Aspen Parent Portal by November 6, 2020.
- 2) Maintain enrolment in the DoDEA Virtual School for the 2nd Semester will be required to **re-enroll** in DVS through the Aspen Parent Portal by November 6, 2020.

To register your student for the second semester in either the virtual learning option or for in-person instruction:

STEP 1: Access the [DoDEA Aspen Family Portal](https://familyportal.dodea.edu/aspensparentportal) [hyperlink to portal
<https://familyportal.dodea.edu/aspensparentportal>]

STEP 2: Login with the Login ID (your student's DoDEA Student Gmail address) and password (your student's date of birth, e.g. M/D/YYYY).

STEP 3: Follow the instructions in the Aspen Family Portal to answer the questions and finish by clicking "Save" at the bottom of the form.

(If you access the portal on a mobile device, click "View Full Site" to see the virtual option section.)

STEP 4: Log Off from the DoDEA Aspen Family Portal

STEP 5: If you need to submit answers for another student, log in with the Login ID and password for the next student. You cannot submit answers for multiple students under one login.

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT EDUCATION OPTION FOR SEMESTER 2 IS 6 NOVEMBER 2020.

Families that want their child/children to remain enrolled in the local school for in-person instruction do not need to do anything, their students will remain enrolled for in-person instruction for the second semester.

If you have additional questions, you can email vslearningoption@dodea.edu.

Families transitioning to a DoDEA location will also be able to choose between the in person or virtual learning option. They will complete the DoDEA Online Registration for Students (DORS) at <https://www.dodea.edu/DORS/> and select the preferred school option.

DoDEA looks forward to providing families with quality educational options during in this uncertain time.