



Lewis County C-1 School

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District-Provided Virtual Learning Option Consent Form

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The **Lewis County C-1 School District** will again offer a virtual instruction option to students who choose not to attend in-person classes during the fall semester of the 2023-2024 school year; however, students who attempted the virtual option last school year (2022-2023) and were unsuccessful (i.e. did not complete their classes and/or earned failing grades) will be expected to return to in-person learning!

Highland will be using the Acellus learning platform and potentially other forms of electronic video and communication to support your student’s education and related services. These platforms may have a group feature to allow participation by many students. The parent or guardian of students participating may also be present, supporting them in their remote classroom time at home. These sessions may be recorded by staff for student review purposes at a later time. If your child is participating in group instruction utilizing online platforms, please note that it may be possible for parents of other children in the group to see your student.

The school will comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act (COPPA) and will take all reasonable measures to preserve your privacy and the privacy of your student(s).

By signing below, I acknowledge:

_____ My student(s) must return to school, in-person, for the purposes of state testing during the
[initial] district’s administration of state-required testing.

_____ My student(s) may be viewed by other students and/or parents while participating
[initial] in group instruction utilizing online platforms;

_____ Anything stated or shared during live virtual learning cannot be edited before the
[initial] students witness the content;

_____ The virtual lessons may be recorded by staff for purposes of review by students
[initial] at a later date;

_____ I am responsible for ensuring that my student participates in virtual instruction and for
[initial] maintaining regular communication with my student’s teachers and other school staff;

_____ I will maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy of all students who participate in
[initial] remote learning and will not make audio or video recordings (including screen captures, photos, etc.) of the learning sessions.

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This remote/fully virtual option provided by the Lewis County C-1 School District offers a fully virtual approach to school for Highland students in grades K-12 with access to a wide variety of courses. Acellus is one of many approved course providers through the Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program (MOCAP), formerly known as the Missouri Virtual Instruction Program (MoVIP). This district option will include a daily schedule and consistent grading expectations. Students who select this option must commit to it for the entire semester in order to ensure continuity of education. We are asking families who are interested in this option to commit by Friday, August 25, 2023.

The District is committed to providing models of teaching and learning to support the needs of our students, families, staff and community. This option is just one option that may provide parents/guardians with a choice that meets their concerns about safety and avoidance of COVID.

Commitment

Students who opt-in to the fully virtual option are committing to that option for the entire semester. In order to ensure continuity of education, students will not be able to move from this option to the in-person learning option. Students who opt-in to the fully virtual option must also return to school during the administration of state-required testing and complete their testing onsite at Lewis County C-1.

Courses

Students will have access to a full schedule with a wide variety of courses available, which all align to the district’s curriculum and the Missouri Learning Standards. The district will have a teacher assigned to oversee the progress of the virtual students, make contacts with the students/parents, and establish hours for assistance/tutoring. All courses at the high school level will allow students to earn up to a full 8 credits per year and keep them on track for graduation from Lewis County C-1 School District.

Extracurricular Activities/Athletics

Students who have chosen the virtual option will not have the option to participate in athletics or other extracurricular activities.

Stakeholder Roles/Expectations

Roles and expectations are as follows:

Students will ...

- Participate and complete all state-required testing in person at a Lewis County C-1 facility during state testing administration windows.
- Dedicate appropriate time to learning, using the time on task recommendations or as guided by your teacher(s).
- Check the online platforms for information on classes, assignments and resources daily.



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- Ensure that you know your usernames and passwords for instructional resources that are accessible via the District portal and/or website.
- Identify a comfortable and quiet space to learn and study.
- Engage in all online learning activities being offered by your teachers and/or provided through online resources.
- Submit all assignments by due dates established by your teacher(s).

Families will ...

- Ensure that student(s) are brought to Lewis County C-1 facilities for state testing purposes and work with the district to ensure that your child(ren) have completed all required tests.
- Ensure that a mobile device and internet access are available at home.
- Monitor District communications for up-to-date information regarding school closures, instructional continuation plans and distance learning resources.
- Ensure that your children know their usernames and passwords for instructional resources and encourage their participation in distance learning offerings.
- Maintain communication with your children's teachers and school counselor(s).
- Engage your children in conversations regarding assignments.
- Monitor time spent engaging in online and offline learning.
- Support your children's emotional balance by providing time for physical activity and play.
- Identify a comfortable and quiet space to learn and study.

I understand and agree to these terms and request permission for my student(s) to participate in virtual learning during the Fall semester of the 2022-2023 school year. I further understand and agree that I will be required to remain in the virtual learning program for the entire Fall semester.

Name(s) of Student(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____