

WASD First Choice Learning Networks

WASD is offering three options for learners for the 2020-2021 school year. As we continue to strive towards First Choice learning options for all learners, our ultimate goal is to provide options for traditional schooling, cyber schooling, and a hybrid approach, all while remaining a WASD learner.

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought forth a great deal of change in our lives. Education is no exception in this time of transformation. The return to school is an important and welcome step. We value each one of our learners and want to prepare them to get their first choice in life. WASD recognizes that every family situation is unique; therefore, we are working with our families to determine the best course of action for our learners.

WASD Traditional Learning	WASD Hybrid Learning	WASD Cyber Learning
Live teacher facilitator for all courses	Each course with a teacher facilitator (one school day delayed) Self-directed with asynchronous digital access to facilitators and opportunities for one-on-one virtual meetings	Self-directed with access to facilitators
Preset learning schedule	Learners will be able to set their own schedule per day and able to access to instruction on a daily basis (one school day delay)	Self-paced schedule for all courses and days
Face to face instruction all at brick and mortar building	Offering WASD live instruction daily to learners online: Learners attend school daily at home while learning from WASD teachers. Allows for flexibility for students to go back and forth between traditional and hybrid learning models	Online instruction all outside of the brick and mortar school building with opportunities for live tutoring sessions WASD will offer the following cyber options: • Franklin Virtual Academy (FVA) K-8 • Apex Learning 6-12 WAMS administration will help families determine the appropriate choice for their learner.
Scheduled attendance in all periods/ rotations each day	Attendance taken daily based on completion of work for each school day	No scheduled attendance at brick and mortar school

Hybrid Learning: A hybrid approach to course delivery combines face-to-face classroom instruction with online activities. During classroom instruction time, students can be engaged in authentic, collaborative learning experiences. The online components can include multimedia-enhanced content and opportunities for one to one connections with a WASD teacher. Hybrid instruction allows the students to interact with content and engage in learning activities before, during, and after the face-to-face class. Students can interact with content independently or asynchronously online while collaborating and applying key concepts within the synchronous classroom.

Cyber Schooling: The student obtains their education outside of the school setting via an online curriculum. The Waynesboro Area School DIstrict offers students an online learning opportunity through the usage of the Franklin County Virtual Academy. Unlike the profit-focused schools, families will only travel within Franklin County for enrollment, tech support, PSSA testing, etc.

If you have any questions or would like additional information regarding any of these programs, please contact Dianne Eberhardt, First Choice Learning Network Coordinator at dianne_eberhardt@wasdpa.org.