

# ONLINE OPTION

## Globe Unified School District #1

### **Tiger Knowledge Online (TKO) Academy**

Students enrolled in our 100% online option will follow the same calendar as all other GUSD students and will begin school on August 17, 2020. Students enrolled in the Tiger Knowledge Online (TKO) Academy will be enrolled in GUSD and will be given all rights and benefits afforded to a student attending in a 'tradition' in-person manner. For instance, students will be able to still participate in academic and athletic clubs and teams as long as it is safe to do so. Students will need to be enrolled in GUSD in order to be in the TKO Academy.

***What can families expect while learning in a virtual environment?*** Students will participate in the same learning they are used to, but in a structured online environment. Students will be individually assigned age, grade and ability appropriate instruction through our Backbone online learning management system. Globe teachers will be interacting with Globe students on a regular basis in this program. The TKO academy offers individualized and rigorous instruction to meet the needs of all of our students while maintaining the personalized care that is given by our Globe teachers.

Students are asked to commit to the online learning option for at least one trimester (exceptions may be made on an individual basis).

#### ***The online student experience:***

- Students will access curriculum/learning through a remote learning device via the internet (GUSD will have district-provided laptops and internet hotspots for a finite number of students that need them).
- Teachers will assign students self-guided/self-paced modules and lessons to complete in Backbone PLP. All curriculum is aligned with Arizona state standards for education. Live learning will occur with teachers via office hours, small group instruction, and/or meetings depending on need. Globe teachers will regularly make contact with our TKO students.
- Elective courses like PE, art and foreign language will be offered and supplemented with teacher-created activities and lessons.
- All courses offered during in-person learning will be available remotely. However, should a family continue virtual learning for an extended period of time, some courses may not be available due to lab and equipment resources and hands-on assessments requirements, such as welding and auto shop classes.
- Students will be expected to log-in to the TKO academy learning platform daily (and in to each class period if an HDMS or GHS student) to be marked present, the emphasis will be on completing assignments and lessons and not on the time a student spends on-line. Please be aware that online learning still requires a lot of time to facilitate learning.

- Training is available for parents and students to help navigate our TKO academy learning platform.
- Globe teachers will provide continual feedback and district grading practices will be used.
- Students and parents in the TKO academy will be able to attend a Virtual Meet the Teacher event.
- Meal Service is available for students that choose the hybrid learning option. Meals will have to be picked up at designated locations within the district.
- Parents are encouraged to actively participate in student learning to assist our schools with ensuring student participation, attendance and course completion.
- Students may participate in extracurricular activities following health and safety guidelines.
- Special education students will be provided with support in accordance with the Individualized Education Plan to every extent possible.
- Information on state testing will be shared with students and families after the beginning of the school year.

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