

JCVAL

Jefferson County Virtual Academy of Learning

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JCVAL is an academy with an application process. Students must complete the application and will then be notified if they are accepted into the academy. The Academy was not created for the COVID pandemic or other medical reasons, therefore those reasons are not considered when reviewing the student's application for acceptance. The Academy is a semester-long commitment, at the minimum, and students must withdraw from their current school if accepted into the academy. The program is totally virtual and the classwork rigor is much more difficult than the traditional classroom. It is not the same as the Remote learning many students may have previously participated in. Applications can be found on the JEFCEOED website in June for the Fall semester and November for the Spring semester, yearly.

EdOptions Academy is a fully accredited Kindergarten through career online school that pairs Edmentum's award-winning Courseware and Calvert Learning curricula with state-certified teachers, expert program management, and holistic student and instructional support services to help educators meet the needs of more learners. Virtual Learning is student led, teacher guided, self paced, mastery based education. Online curriculum taught with a virtual teacher to individualize learning for each student. Student, teacher interaction/learning may be both done asynchronously and synchronously.

**Communication between student and teacher is vital to success in this program.

- Teacher Communication
 - Teachers reach out at the beginning of the semester to understand the best way to communicate: phone, email, text, and some even offer WhatsApp
 - We expect that our teachers return communication within 24hrs (M-F).
 - Grading and Feedback should be completed within 48hrs (M-F) of when submitted.
 - 6-12 teachers send monthly progress reports
 - K-5 teachers schedule bi-weekly meetings with families.

Certified Teachers experienced in online instruction



Regular communication to support students via:



Phone



Email



Text Messages



Videochat

K-5 Curricula

Calvert Learning, Edmentum's K-5 curricula, actively engages students using a project-based learning framework. Courses available include core subjects, art, P.E., and health, and each course incorporates a variety of multimodal learning activities that harness students' natural curiosity to develop a lifelong love of learning.

JCVAl, through EdOptions Academy, uses the Calvert - PLUS framework system.
PLUS = Project, Learn, Use, Show

1. Project - a project is introduced at the beginning of the Unit.
 2. Learn - learning modules are used and have Quick Checks at the end of each module.
 3. Use - using the knowledge they have attained in practical and meaningful ways then Mastery Assessments are given to make sure the student achieved the deeper knowledge for the Unit.
 4. Show - At the end of the Unit, projects are showcased to show everyone what the student has learned and mastered.
- K-5 Daily Live Lessons
 - Each live lesson lasts for one hour. The first 10-15 minutes is the lesson while the last 45-50 minutes is student practice, group activities, etc.

4th Grade Live Lesson Schedule					
Times	ELA	Math	Social Studies	Live Help	Science
07:00amPT/08:00amMT/09:00amCT/10:00amET	Ms. Borlin	Ms. Treece	Ms. Koenig		Ms. Gasper
08:00amPT/09:00amMT/10:00amCT/11:00amET	Ms. West	Ms. Cook	Ms. Bellock	Ms. Treece	Ms. Gasper
09:00amPT/10:00amMT/11:00amCT/12:00pmET	Ms. Ellis	Ms. Cook	Ms. Bellock	Mrs. Koenig	Ms. Batiste
10:00amPT/11:00amMT/12:00pmCT/1:00pmET	Ms. Stys		Ms. West	Ms. Curry	
11:00amPT/12:00pmMT/1:00pmCT/2:00pmET		Dr. Barlow	Ms. Borlin	Ms. West	Ms. Batiste
12:00pmPT/1:00pmMT/2:00CTpm/3:00pmET		Ms. Stys		Dr. Barlow	Ms. Pereira
1:00pmPT/2:00pmMT/3:00pmCT/4:00pmET	Ms. Ellis	Ms. Curry			
2:00pmPT/3:00pmMT/4:00pmCT/5:00pmET				Ms. Pereira	

- Live Help
 - K-5 Live Help – available to parents and students at scheduled times
 - Each live lesson lasts for one hour. The first 10-15 minutes is the lesson while the last 45-50 minutes is student practice, group activities, etc.

6-12 Curricula

Courseware, Edmentum's 6-12 curricula, offers a robust collection of standards-based courses that are built using a research-based learning design. With more than 500 courses across core subjects, advanced, electives, CTE, and world languages, students have access to all the courses they need to be ready for the next step.

- Live Lessons
 - 6-12 two Live Lessons per core subject per week
- Live Help
 - 6-12 Live Help – specifically for students M-Th 8-5 and F 8-3.

Contact us at: (205) 379-2070 or 2071

