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Fulton County Schools Virtual Options FAQ School Year 2021-2022

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What are my options for virtual instruction next school year?

- **Elementary:** Students in elementary can utilize Fulton Virtual if Continuous Achievement dictates the need to take middle school courses. Additionally, students in grades 3-5 can enroll full-time at the Fulton Academy of Virtual Excellence (FAVE).
- **Middle:** Students in grades 6-8 can take one to three core courses through Fulton Virtual or they can enroll full-time at FAVE.
- **High:** Students in grades 9-12 can take half their schedule utilizing Fulton Virtual or they can enroll full-time at FAVE.

What are the differences between FAVE and Fulton Virtual?

- **FAVE** is the district's full-time online school. Students would enroll as full-time members of the school and make a year-long commitment to staying at the school. The school has been planned for 1000 students in grades 3 through 11.
- **Fulton Virtual** is the district's part-time, supplemental program in which students take one to three courses.

Will I receive live instruction at FAVE and Fulton Virtual?

- **FAVE** will provide consistent, weekly live instruction in Microsoft Teams.
- **Fulton Virtual** offers a self-directed instructional model and does not include consistent live instruction.

If I enroll at FAVE or Fulton Virtual, can my student still participate in activities at their home school?

- Students enrolled at **FAVE** cannot participate in extracurricular activities at their local school. Students will have the opportunity to engage in extracurricular activities at FAVE.
- Students enrolled at **Fulton Virtual** can participate in extracurricular activities at their local school.

Can my student be full-time at Fulton Virtual?

- No, students enrolled in Fulton Virtual courses may take up to one-half of their courses in the program.

Can I return to my home school any time next year if I decide FAVE is the right spot for me?

- We ask that students who elect to attend FAVE make a year-long commitment to staying at FAVE.

When does registration open at FAVE and Fulton Virtual?

- The original period for registration for FAVE was conducted in January and February 2021. Consideration is being given to an additional registration period. More information about this potential will be shared when a decision is made.
- Those who apply and accept a seat at FAVE are making a year-long commitment to remain in the school. More information about FAVE can be found at <https://www.fultonschools.org/fave>
- Registration for Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 for Fulton Virtual is ongoing and currently open. Visit <https://fulton.geniussis.com/PublicWelcome.aspx> to register.

What courses are offered at Fulton Virtual?

- Fulton Virtual offers a variety of courses for grades 9-12 and offers core courses for grades 6-8. The catalog for Fulton Virtual courses can be found at their website <https://www.fultonschools.org/fultonvirtual>

If my child stays at their home school, how many virtual courses can they take?

- Students who remain enrolled at their local school can take up to half of their schedule through any combination of virtual courses.

Will AP, TAG, honors, IB, etc. courses be offered?

- FAVE will offer AP, TAG, and Honors courses. Fulton Virtual offers honors courses. Neither FAVE nor Fulton Virtual will offer IB.

What is the attendance policy for FAVE?

- Elementary: Students will be required to attend daily live instruction in reading and math.
- Middle/High: Students will either be required to attend live instruction or they will need to demonstrate that they can make adequate progress independently by keeping up pace with their online course.

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Will my child be required to take Milestones, AP testing, TAG testing in person?

- Milestones, AP testing, TAG testing, and other nationally normed tests will require that students report to a location in the district to take these assessments.

Will my child receive the same accommodations from 504, IEP, etc. that they did at their home school?

- Accommodations for students with IEPs will be limited to those that are appropriate to an online environment and the rigorous, independent nature of FAVE and Fulton Virtual. Thus, FAVE and Fulton Virtual may not be appropriate for all learners and even if the model is appropriate, accommodations in a student's IEP may need to be removed, changed, or added by the IEP Team.

