



Virtual Jefferson Overview

In these uncertain and unprecedented times, Jefferson Parish Schools is committed to providing the education our students deserve to succeed in life and make our world a better place. We know some families may want an alternate learning option for their child(ren) next school year. In response to COVID-19, we want to give our families the choice to decide the best school instructional model for their student(s). This document outlines *Virtual Jefferson*, our at-home virtual learning option that will support K-12th grade students throughout the 2020-2021 school year.

Virtual Jefferson will:

- occur five days a week
- engage students using online learning platforms
- use high-quality, aligned instructional resources
- be teacher-led and student-driven
- offer flexibility for the time of day assignments are completed
- allow students to conduct self-paced virtual learning
- provide instruction in ELA, math, science, and social studies for K-8th grade students
- provide instruction in courses required for graduation for 9-12th students
- provide students with technology, if necessary

Teachers will:

- prepare and deliver high-quality lessons using rigorous, aligned instructional resources
- support students in whole groups and small groups
- grade weekly assignments and provide feedback to students
- provide accommodations for diverse learners
- be available for individual students who may need additional support
- communicate regularly with parents/guardians via email and phone

Students will:

- participate in daily required lessons
- complete all required homework and assignments
- be eligible to participate in any extracurricular activities offered by the school
- be able to participate in school meal programs, including breakfast and lunch

Parents/Guardians will:

- commit for nine week increments with the option to continue *Virtual Jefferson* for the entire school year
- ensure students participate in lessons and complete all required assignments and homework in a timely manner
- ensure students take all required local and state tests
- communicate with teachers to ensure student success

Additional Details:

- Any student who participates in the *Virtual Jefferson* option will remain a student at his/her district school.
- If parents/guardians are interested in signing up their child(ren) for the *Virtual Jefferson* program, they must complete *Virtual Jefferson* registration [here](#).
- Families must complete a School Instructional Model Change Request in order to exit *Virtual Jefferson* before the end of the nine weeks.

Thank you for your continued partnership as we work together to support our child(ren).