

Livonia Virtual (LV) FAQ

2021-22 School Year

What is Livonia Virtual?

Livonia Virtual is a 100% long-term online option for students. It is intended for students as a year-long choice. The program will follow the LPS curriculum and will have LPS teachers leading the instruction.

Is there a fee associated with Livonia Virtual?

No, this program is free and is part of Livonia Public Schools.

When is the window for parents to express interest in Livonia Virtual?

The window to apply for LV will be from April 26-May 7. Only families interested in LV should complete an application. Application does not guarantee placement in LV. Ratios are established at each grade level, which will determine the number of general and special education classrooms. Waitlists and lotteries may occur in specific grade levels, if needed.

What are the expectations of staff, families, and students in LV?

Please refer to the School/Family/Student LV Compact.

Will students still be enrolled in LPS if they choose LV?

Yes. All LV students will remain within the district. LPS will receive the per pupil funding from the state for LV students.

Is Livonia Virtual available to students with special needs?

This would be a decision driven by the IEP process - case by case basis.

Will LV classes be taught by LPS teachers?

Yes, Livonia Virtual will be taught by LPS teachers.

What does a Livonia Virtual school day look like?

Livonia Virtual students will have the same number of instructional minutes as required for in-person learning by the Department of Education for the State of Michigan. Instructional time will be split between live and self-guided learning. Students are required to be available and engaged for the entire school day.

What is live teaching?

Live teaching is live online instruction, taking place via Google Meet, Teams, Zoom, or other digital platforms. Attendance will be based on attendance during live instruction and work completion.

What is self-guided learning?

Self-guided learning entails lessons to be completed by the student, with adult assistance where applicable. Students should plan to do self-guided learning daily, along with live instruction. Completion of all assignments and lessons will be mandatory.

Will Livonia Virtual be offered for Young Fives or the preschool programs at Jackson Center?

No, the Livonia Virtual option is available for students in grades K-12.

Will Livonia Virtual be available for students who are currently enrolled in magnet programs such as Niji-Iro Japanese Immersion Elementary, ACAT, MACT, MSC, CAPA?

No, magnet programs will not be offered in LV. These programs were designed for in-person experiences, and the remote program cannot properly address these unique learning environments.

Will students who choose LV have “specials” such as art, library/IT, music and PE?

Yes, elementary aged students will have live specials. Frequency of specials will be communicated to families in the fall.

If a student wishes to return to in-person learning after enrolling in LV, can he or she make that move after the school year has begun?

No, this is a year-long commitment. Research does not support movement between schools and programs, except in rare instances which are handled on a case-by-case basis.

If a student is enrolled in LV, will he or she still be a part of his or her home school?

Yes. The LV enrollment tracks with the home school, so LV students would remain enrolled with their home school, but coded in the system as “virtual.” They may have a teacher who is not assigned at their home school.

Will the Livonia Virtual program have traditional letter grades or a pass/fail grading system?

Standard based grading will be used at the elementary level as with in-person instruction.

Will my LV student be required to come to school for state and iReady assessments?

Yes, to receive the most accurate and reliable information on student learning, students will be required to attend in-person for certain assessments.

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