What is Virtual School?

Virtual School is a state-wide initiative to provide students with an alternative to the classroom. Classes are conducted entirely online in conjunction with the state's ACCESS program, which already provides the county's students with their Distance Learning classes, and other virtual curriculum providers. We'll provide the laptops that students will use for classes; all they'll need is an internet connection.

Virtual School has some incredible benefits:

- Instruction from highly-qualified, certified teachers
- No tuition and minimal fees
- Accredited diploma upon satisfying graduation requirements
- Flexibility and personalized learning
- Individualized academic and career prep
- Self-pacing and option for accelerated advancement
- Early graduation available
- Flexibility to pursue personal interests

For our pilot program, we're looking for 20 qualified students to participate in this groundbreaking program. We're offering class **anytime, anywhere**, wherever an internet connection is available. That means only reporting to school for proctored tests, which will be held at Genesis School. Students will be enrolled in the Conecuh County School System and as such are available to participate in all extracurricular activities, clubs, and programs.



With the freedom this program offers, it goes without saying that we do have some expectations of our students.

Technology Expectations:

- Take great care of the laptop you are assigned by our Technology Department
- Acquire and maintain consistent internet access

Attendance Policy:

• Adhere to the CCS attendance policy in conjunction with the attendance policy of the online virtual provider

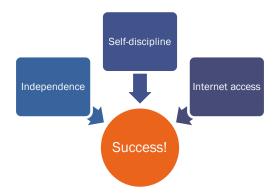
Course Progression:

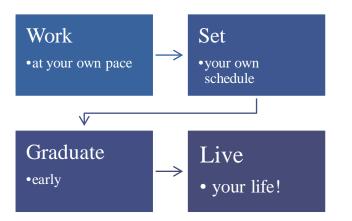
- Students are required to progress through courses at a rate comparable to that of a traditional class
- Students are permitted and encouraged to work ahead
- Students who fall behind (less than a 60% average) will be subject to Academic Probation:
 - Students will report physically to Genesis School two days per week
 - Weekly grade counseling with staff
 - Students will remain on probation until the next grading period
 - Students who do not achieve a 60% average at the end of probation will be re-enrolled in their base school.

The requirements of Virtual School are as follows:

- Students provide their own transportation
- Must reside in Conecuh county
- Must be a rising 9th-12th grade student
- Completion of PE Life and Career Preparedness
- Participation in the one-to-one initiative
- Maintain consistent, daily access to the internet
- Maintain minimum overall GPA of 2.0 in courses taken during the current academic year
- Accumulate no more than five unexcused, fullday absences during the previous year
- Maintain appropriate course progression as measured by the completion of weekly assignments, quizzes, and/or tests
- Adhere to the Academic Integrity Contract
- Remain in good standing as a student of the Conecuh County Virtual School
- Have no expulsions and no more than one suspension from the previous academic year.

This is an exclusive program. Only twenty students will be accepted this year, so there will be an application process. Applications and instructions can be found on our website, <u>www.conecuh.k12.al.us</u>. For students new to CCS, or home schooled students, you must first complete a New Student Enrollment pack, available at Hillcrest High School.





With Virtual School, you can! At CCS, we realize that each student is different, and each one learns in their own way. If your student is self-motivated, independent, and eager to learn, please allow them to join us at Virtual School! By appealing to their strong independence, we can provide your student with a freedom they'd never find in the classroom.

Classes can be completed anytime, anywhere, allowing students to complete their work on a day-to-day basis and still have time for their favorite activities and pursuits. Remember, only twenty spots are available for this revolutionary program. Send us your application today!

Program Committee

Dr. Zickeyous Byrd Superintendent

Mary Ann Danford Student Curriculum Coordinator

Jimmie Fryer Federal Programs Coordinator

Rita Young Special Education Coordinator

> Caroll McQueen CNP Director

Avery Ford Chief School Financial Officer

Wayne Hubbard District Technology Coordinator

Rodney Drish Hillcrest High School Principal

Susan Coleman Genesis School Administrator

Lena Lindsey Hillcrest High School Counselor

Conecuh County Schools

In conjunction with

The Alabama State Department of Education

Presents:

Conecuh County Virtual School



Giving Students a New Route to Success!

@Genesis School 111 Perryman Street Evergreen, AL 36401 Ph: 251-578-5291 Fax: 251-578-5293