Online Courses FAQ's

Who Should Take Online Courses?

Students who are highly motivated, have high reading levels and are self-disciplined. As well as, all students required to take an online course for graduation.

Where do I go to sign up for online courses?

The website is <u>www.flvs.net</u> Click on the yellow link at the bottom that says sign up. Click on "New Students Start Here", and then click on "I live in Florida". Next, select Broward County and Public/Charter School student then click on Browse Course Catalog. Choose your course by clicking the select button to the right of the course that comes up when you scroll over the name of the course. Choose a credit recovery course only if you are taking the course to recovery a failed course. Next, select the semester of the course you would like. If you want to take the full credit, select both the first and second semester, if not, just check the semester needed. Next you must select the Virtual School provider. Please choose the local franchise, Broward Virtual (to the right of the page). If Broward Virtual is full for your course or does not offer the course, then select FLVS instead (on the left-hand side). Choose your earliest start date. When asked where you will be taking your course, make sure you select "Outside School". Continue answering all questions to complete you course request. When asked if the course is on your schedule at school, you must answer that it is NOT on your schedule. A student cannot be taking the same course at school and online. Once you have selected your course and made your account, we highly recommend that your parent go in and make an account. That can be done by following the parent link and clicking on Parent/Guardian account.

What happens next?

Your counselor will see on their dashboard that your have requested a course. They will double check to make sure that is an appropriate course for you and that you have selected the correct semester. The counselor will enter the online guidance approval. It is not necessary to go see, call or email the counselor to ask them to do this. (Over the summer-guidance approval will continue to be entered. Students should follow all the same steps listed above).

How do I get started in a course?

You should be going to the website (<u>www.flvs.net</u>) and logging in to your account using your login and password daily. It is extremely important that you check your status and read your messages that are posted in your account. The next thing that will happen is that a message will appear on your dashboard giving you all the instructions on how to get started in your course. FLVS will also make arrangements for a teacher to contact you by telephone to introduce you to the course. Should you have any concerns regarding this, please contact the virtual school provider directly at 1-800-374-1430.

How does this course work?

There are a minimum number of assignments that must be completed per week. This will vary depending on the course and the number of weeks you selected to complete it. You login to your account and your next assignment will come up. Everything is done on the computer and there are no fees involved.

How much time do I get to complete a course?

A half credit course takes approximately 18 weeks to complete and a full credit course will take approximately 36 weeks.

Can I take a course over the summer?

Yes. See above for timelines to complete courses.