

WISSAHICKON Virtual Academy

Engaging students through a flexible educational experience



The mission of the **Wissahickon Virtual Academy (WVA)** is to provide a tuition-free educational experience for cyber learners who reside within the boundaries of the Wissahickon School District. The virtual academy is designed for families seeking a more flexibly scheduled educational program for any one of a number of reasons. **Students entering grades K-12 are eligible to attend WVA**, and for those successfully completing their high school program through WVA, they will earn a **Wissahickon High School diploma**.

For more information about enrollment, visit www.wsdweb.org/schools/wissahickon-virtual-academy

Benefits for a WVA Student

- A tuition-free public school education grounded in Wissahickon teaching and learning excellence
- A safe and supportive learning environment with student-centered staff and faculty
- Weekly synchronous office hours and built-in synchronous support chat (7-day)
- 1:1 teacher meetings by appointment
- Synchronous recess periods focus on social-emotional learning and mindfulness lessons
- Virtual field trips
- District technical support, including a district-issued laptop computer that can be used at home
- Rigorous course offerings available at various academic levels, including academic, honors, and Advanced Placement (AP) courses at the high school level.
- WSD high school counselors to support goals for college or career readiness, including online resources to help create a post-secondary plan
- Participation in grade-appropriate activities, including more than 35 extra-curricular activities and 30 team sports during fall, winter and spring seasons
- All grade-appropriate social events sponsored by WSD, such as school-wide events and grade-level events, including athletic events, dances, pep rallies, assemblies, prom, etc.

The Wissahickon Virtual Academy is managed by the Wissahickon School District. Course offerings support and encourage rigor. The WVA curricula align with the district's curricula (including alignment with high school credit requirements) and assess student performance relative to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Academic and Core Standards.

The Wissahickon Virtual Academy provides instruction through an asynchronous lesson format. This means that the student will learn through lessons prepared by teachers at the Montgomery Virtual Program, which is provided through the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit. Students receive a district-issued laptop computer to complete coursework. Students may complete their courses at any location with Internet access – school-based classroom, computer lab, home, etc.

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