



## Greenville County Virtual Program 2017-2018

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All GCVSP courses are HIGH school courses which award one unit of high school credit in most cases. All courses satisfy requirements for a South Carolina HS Diploma. Given that these are HS courses, they fall under HS attendance and grading parameters dictated by the South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy.

GCS Middle School students may access online courses through GCVSP in two ways:

1. Many middle schools “embed” online classes in their master schedule. These include, but are not limited to, Physical Education 1, Cyber Citizenship, Creative Writing, Digital Desktop Publishing, Exploring Computer Science, Google Basics, MultiMedia Basics, Personal Finance, Spanish 1, Spanish 2, World Geography Honors, Algebra 1 Honors, Geometry Honors and English 1 Honors.
  - Students go to the computer lab during a scheduled time each day and do the majority of work via this lab experience. The online course instructor is the GCVSP teacher but a school “facilitator” is assigned to the lab to monitor students and take attendance.
  - Students do need some access to a computer and the Internet outside of school to finish assignments.
  - These classes begin and end with the regular district calendar schedule.
  - They are free to the student.
  - All courses require a Final exam which is given at the middle school with an adult proctor.

***Check with your Greenville County Schools middle school to see if they participate and host an “embedded” class.***

2. GCS Middle school students may take any high school course in the GCVSP catalog upon approval by their middle school counselor. Course descriptions, computer system requirements, registration information, fees and course start and end dates are on the GCVSP website: [www.gcsvirtual.com](http://www.gcsvirtual.com)
  - Most GCVSP courses are approximately 15 weeks in length. They begin AFTER the regular semester and END before the end of the regular semester. (Some courses are yearlong.)
  - Fees for courses taken for the first time are determined by your “lunch” status.
    - Full lunch = \$125.00 per course
    - Reduced lunch = \$63.00 per course
    - Free lunch = \$25.00 per course
  - Fees for courses that are being repeated cost \$125.00 per course.
  - An Online Payment option is available. See school counselor for information.
  - All courses require a Final exam. Students should see their school counselor for exam details.
  - Students need access to a computer that meets system requirements and the Internet.
  - Registration begins 8 weeks before the semester start date and is through the home school counselor. Fees are due to the Registrar the week before the start date.

Please feel free to explore the website and to contact Laura for information.