



Enrollment Guidelines for Online Courses in Distance Education

For

Home Schooled Students and Independent School Students

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Availability

The Department of Education recognizes the value of establishing student access to various online courses for home schooled students and independent school students. This will apply to the courses that are currently on line and those that will be available in the future. Some restrictions may apply due to the availability of the courses. Restrictions include, age of student, number of public school students enrolled in a course, and availability of computer hardware and software.

Resources

Required resources include computer hardware, computer software, Internet access, and may also include textbooks and workbooks. These resources will be the responsibility of the home schooled and independent schooled student.

It should also be noted that some computer software programs are ONLY available on site at public schools and this restriction may prevent home schooled students and independent school students from enrolling in some online courses.

Age Requirement

All e-learning courses available in the public school system are presently available only to students in grades 11 and 12. Any home schooled student or independent school student who will be 16 years of age by December 31st of that school year will be eligible for enrollment in an online course.

Priority

Priority for enrollment in e-learning courses has been established in the following manner:

1. Students enrolled in the public school system.

2. Graduates from the public school system that require an extra credit or need to improve their mark for post secondary entrance.
3. Home schooled students and Independent School Students.

Registration

Once a student's registration has been accepted he/she will be given a password, which will be valid for four months (with a possible two month extension). Students will be asked to sign an agreement stipulating sole utilization by the registered student.

Registration deadlines will be three weeks prior to the beginning of the first semester and second semester.

Costs

Any costs associated with the enrollment in an online course will be the responsibility of the student. There will be no tuition charges for these courses.

Evaluation

All students enrolled in e-learning courses will be expected to complete assignments on time and will be evaluated by the person (parent/guardian, independent school official) responsible for the student.

Accrediting

There will be no official New Brunswick high school credit given for the successful completion of an online course by home schooled students and independent schooled students.

Contacts

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These guidelines will be reviewed on a yearly basis.