



**Bedford
Connects**
Remote Learning

Bedford Connects Remote Learning Program Request and Parent/Student Agreement

October 4, 2021

Dear Applicant:

Due to the rise in Covid19 cases with the Delta variant, we are offering the opportunity to apply for entrance into the virtual program for the second semester of the 2021-22 school year. All virtual instruction is given through Virtual Virginia and not Bedford County teachers. It is important to read the parent and student agreement on pages 3-4 of this packet to ensure the ability to comply with all expectations. Request for admittance into the virtual program is not a guarantee of acceptance.

It is important to note the following when considering applying for virtual learning:

- Your child is expected to be online for synchronous instruction for most of the day. This means they must sign on to live instruction and be present “in virtual class”.
- You should have a dependable internet connection.
- Once we enroll and pay the tuition, your child will have to remain with Virtual Virginia until the end of the school year.
- If your child has had or currently has truancy issues they will not be accepted into the program.
- Please visit the [Virtual Virginia website](#) for more information.
- Students will be on the [Virtual Virginia school calendar](#) and not the Bedford County calendar once they are enrolled. Please see the linked calendar above.

Please print and complete the application, answering all questions. If you have more than one student, a separate application should be submitted for each one. The student and the parent must sign the packet and it should be returned to Karen Woodford, Chief Learning Officer. You may scan and email the packet to kwoodford@bedford.k12.va.us or mail it to Karen Woodford, Bedford County Public Schools, 310 S. Bridge Street, Bedford, VA 24523. The completed packet can also be dropped off at the reception desk of the Bedford County School Board Office in Building B, which is located at the above address. **Completed packets are due by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 22, 2021.** No late packets will be accepted.



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Directions: Please fill out the following Request and sign the Parent/Student agreement. If you have multiple students, please fill out a separate request for each child. Completed paperwork and agreements must be mailed or emailed (with signatures) to Karen Woodford at 310 S. Bridge Street, Bedford, VA 24523 or kwoodford@bedford.k12.va.us by October 22, 2021 by 5:00 pm. Late Requests will not be considered for acceptance.

Student Name _____ Grade _____ Base School _____

Student Address _____

Parent Email Address _____

Parent Phone Number _____

Request Questions

1. Was your child a student in Bedford Connects during the 2020-2021 school year?

Yes No

2. Will your student have access to high-speed internet that will support daily live sessions and downloading of materials, including video?

Yes No

If your student does not have access to high-speed internet and you would like to talk to someone about the possibility of assistance, please indicate this below. (Assistance is not guaranteed)

Yes No

3. Did your student fail any classes during the 2020-2021 school year or during the fall semester of the 2021-22 school year?

Yes No

4. Has your student been monitored for truancy during the 2020-2021 or the 2021-22 school year?

Yes No

5. Will there be someone who will be able to create a structured educational environment for your child daily? (This cannot be another BCPS student.)

Yes No

For BCRL Office Use Only

Approved Denied

Notes:



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Parent and Student Agreement

This agreement outlines the expectations for schools, parents, and students who choose to participate in Bedford County Public School's Bedford Connects Remote Learning program.

Student Expectations

1. Adhere to the Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use Policy while participating in virtual instruction.
2. Be available, as directed by the teacher(s), on school days, to participate in online learning activities.
3. Participate each school day in every enrolled class, including synchronous live lessons (Zoom/Google Meet) and remediation sessions during normal school hours.
4. Attend meetings at school, if required.
5. Seek help from the teacher, as needed.
6. Complete and submit all lessons and assignments on time.
7. Communicate with your teacher and peers in a respectful manner.
8. Ensure that you have access to online courses during school hours and can complete assignments.
9. Acknowledge that the school division has access to your schoolwork and comments posted within the online course.
10. Acknowledge that there are mandatory tests and screenings throughout the school year that require in-person attendance at a school.

Parent Expectations

1. Ensure that your child has the necessary internet access and capacity to participate in the online courses.
2. Provide your student with a safe and appropriate place to work while at home.
3. Ensure that your student has sufficient time in his/her schedule to work each day on the scheduled courses.
4. Become familiar with Parent Portal and CANVAS and ask your child to show you his/her progress regularly.
5. Encourage your child to seek help from the teacher, as needed.
6. Ensure that all schoolwork and assessments are completed by your child without the aid of others.
7. Monitor your child's academic progress and ensure they are attending live lessons, completing all lessons, and submitting all assignments.
8. Communicate academic concerns with teachers as necessary.
9. Acknowledge that students will be required to come to a school facility for mandatory tests and screenings throughout the school year.
10. Notify the Bedford Connects administration immediately if your child moves out of Bedford County and ensure that the Bedford County issued device and all textbooks are returned to the Bedford Connects office.
11. Ensure that parent contact information is kept up to date.
12. Understand that submission of this request does not guarantee acceptance into Bedford Connects Remote Learning.
13. Attend meetings, virtually or in person, as needed to discuss your child's academic success.
14. Commit to a full semester of virtual learning for your child if you sign up.



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15. Acknowledge that there are mandatory tests and screenings throughout the school year that require in-person attendance at a school and ensure that your child will come for all required testing throughout the year.

District Expectations

1. The school will develop and communicate Bedford Connects procedures and expectations so that students and parents can make informed decisions when choosing to participate in online options.
2. Learning coaches will be available during scheduled school hours to provide academic assistance when needed.
3. Students that choose Bedford Connects can participate in in-person extracurricular programs/activities if their schedule and academic success meet the VHSL eligibility requirements.
4. The school division retains the right to return a student to his/her base school if they are not successfully completing coursework and/or adhering to the attendance requirements.

Students and parents fully acknowledge the terms above and that success is largely dependent upon the work and effort put forth by the student.

Student Name (Printed) _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Name (Printed) _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____