

## Presenting our at-home online academy for students for the 2020-21 school year

Our UC Online Academy has chosen to use EdOptions Academy to give parents another option for sending their students back to school with the comfort and support of the UCCCJSD as well as the virtual expertise that EdOptions Academy can bring.

Our online school is accredited by AdvancED/Cognia. This accreditation grants EdOptions Academy the unique ability to offer transcripts, credits and diplomas recognized by schools and colleges across the country and around the world.



There are resource videos available for you to check out the program: <u>HERE</u> Including: <u>"A Day in the Life of a K-5 Student"</u>

Your student will receive personalized instruction that includes live face-to-face video communication with their teacher, recorded video instructions, and specific guided work to be completed daily.

**Extracurricular Activities**: UC Online Academy students are able to participate in UCCCJSD extracurricular and co-curricular activities such as band, choir, athletics, and more.

Whitewater Valley Career Center: UC Online Academy students are able to continue to attend the career center as an option. As a reminder, the career center classes start on August 5.



**Course Options for Middle School and High School Students**: The UC Online Academy offers almost 300 different course options. This means that your student has an option to take courses that may not traditionally be offered at Union County High School such as American Sign Language as an alternative to a traditional foreign language class.

Click here for a list of courses for grades 6-12
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Final exams and state assessments are proctored at the student's home school of enrollment. Students will need to make an appointment with the school office to take these exams.

**Tuition Costs**: You will pay the typical book/registration fee for the student's grade level when you register your student at UCCCJSD.

**Expected Time Spent Online/Day:** 90-120 min for ELA; 45-90 min for math; 30-45 min for science/social studies courses; 20-30 min for elective courses

• These times are an estimate. Time online is going to vary per student and per grade level. The program rigor will be age and developmentally appropriate for the child.

## **Support and Accommodations:**

- Every student gets the school issued laptop or Chromebook to use and full support of our UCCCJSD tech department.
- Every child will have a designated "Coach" that is a UC employee to help be one extra avenue of support to help your child succeed in this new format.
- IEP Rights and Accommodations: Students with special needs will continue to receive
  accommodations through the UC Online Academy. Since students in the UC Online
  Academy still remain UCCCJSD students, they will continue to receive special
  education services and support through UCCCJSD. The student's special education
  teacher will reach out to the families before the school year begins to schedule a Case
  Conference Committee meeting to discuss how those services will look.
- Free and Reduced Lunch Eligibility: If enrolled in the UC Online Academy, students are eligible to receive Free and Reduced meals. A plan for pick up will be made available.

**Commitment:** Students will have 2 weeks (August 12th-25th) to try the program and decide if the Academy is right for them. If the UC Online Academy isn't working for your child, you'll need to contact the school prior to August 25th to make adjustments for placement.

If you choose to remain in the UC Online Academy after those two weeks, students will have the option to exit the program and transition to our in-person school every quarter (9 weeks) for elementary school students and every semester (18 weeks) for middle school and high school students.

## How do I sign up for UC Online Academy?

- Register on <u>PowerSchool through our website</u>
  - You will pay the book and registration fees like a traditional student.
- THEN, fill out the <u>UC Online Academy Form</u>
- Deadline for registering for the UC Online Academy is July 31st.

## **Contact Information:**

 For questions about our UC Online Academy, email our UC Online Coordinator at monica.hofmann@uc.k12.in.us