

RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS



If your student is taking an online course this summer through *Michigan Virtual*, here are a few resources that will help you support them:



Student Guide to Online Learning

Virtual learning is a great option for students and can be an effective way to learn. Because taking virtual courses is quite different from taking courses in face-to-face classrooms, however, it's important for students to understand what habits they should have or ought to develop and what support systems they will need to succeed. Research shows that students who are well-prepared and well-supported for this new experience perform better in their courses.

In this guide, we explore answers to the following questions:

- What is it like to take an online course?
- What do students enjoy most about taking online courses?
- What challenges might you face in your online course?
- How do you know if online learning is right for you?
- What are the characteristics of successful online learners?
- What should I do to prepare myself for online learning?

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Parent Guide to Online Learning

Parents often struggle to help their children transition into online courses. They want to know: Is this the best option for my child? What can I do to help him or her succeed? Designed for parents and guardians who are new to the world of virtual learning, this guide will help you map out the factors you ought to consider before enrolling your child in an online course.

In this guide, we explore answers to the following questions:

- What is online learning?
- What do students like about taking online courses?
- What challenges do students face in their online courses?
- How do you know if online learning is right for your child?
- What are the characteristics of successful online learners?
- How can you help your child prepare for online learning?
- What kinds of questions should you ask of your school or online learning provider?

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Frequently Asked Questions

This FAQ list answers basic questions you might have about navigating *Michigan Virtual's* Student Learning Portal — the platform you and your student will be using to access online summer courses.

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