

KESTREL HEIGHTS NCVPS CLASS ENROLLMENT POLICY/OPTIONS

What is NCVPS?

NCVPS is a 100% online course option that provides students with expanded academic options by offering courses (AP, Honors, World Languages, etc.), online services such as test preparation, career planning services, credit recovery, and online college courses to North Carolina students. By virtue of the online course delivery, students from all areas of the state will now have access to courses and highly qualified teachers in subjects that they may not have available at their local school. All NCVPS courses meet the standard course of study set by the Department of Public Instruction and recognized quality assurance standards for e-learning courses. Students are taught by North Carolina certified teachers. Student grades earned in their NCVPS course will be transferred to their local school and become part of their academic record.

Who can take an NCVPS course?

The North Carolina Virtual Public School was established by the North Carolina General Assembly to serve students who are enrolled in a North Carolina public school.

SECTION 7.20.(d) NCVPS shall be available at no cost to all students in North Carolina who are enrolled in North Carolina's public schools, Department of Defense schools, and schools operated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The Department of Public Instruction shall communicate to local school administrative units all applicable guidelines regarding the enrollment of nonpublic school students in these courses.

Students at Kestrel Heights are required to meet with the counselor to enroll in NCVPS courses. They are also to have a contract on file for every semester they are enrolled in NCVPS courses. Contracts are available through the Counselor's section on our website, and in the Guidance Office.

Kestrel Heights information regarding enrolling for NCVPS Courses

Remediation Courses: Remediation courses are courses needed to be made up from either not successfully earning a passing grade or from not completing a course. Rules for enrolling in courses for remediation:

1. The first time a student enrolls in an NCVPS course at Kestrel, he/she will only be allowed to take 1 course/
2. Upon successful completion of the 1st course, students will be allowed to take up to 2 courses.
3. However, students are not allowed to take more than 1 additional online course per semester during the school year and no more than 2 courses over the summer.
4. if a student fails the 1st course, students are to wait 1 semester before enrolling in additional NCVPS courses. If a student fails 2 NCVPS courses in a row, students must meet with their counselor to discuss their options.

Enhancement Courses: Courses taken to enhance students' academic options and offer courses that may or may not be offered at Kestrel Heights. Rules for enrolling in courses for enhancement:

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2. Upon successful completion of the 1st course, students will be allowed to take up to 2 courses.

3. However, students are not allowed to take more than 1 additional online course per semester during the school year and no more than 2 courses over the summer.
4. if a student fails the 1st course, students are to wait 1 semester before enrolling in additional NCVPS courses. If a student fails 2 NCVPS courses in a row, students must meet with their counselor to discuss their options.
5. if taking courses for enhancement in an attempt to graduate early, prior approval must be granted by all parties (parents and school staff)
6. Courses taken online for enhancement can be taken afterschool or during the school if your current schedule permits it. **However, there are to be no class periods when you are not enrolled in a course, so if you take a Fall NCVPS course that only lasts one semester, you must enroll and stay in an additional NCVPS course for the next (spring) semester.**