



Online Learning

Policy Series: 4000 Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment

Policy No. 4050
Procedure 1

This updated procedure integrates both district-level operational guidelines and compliance requirements under Utah law ([Utah Code § 53F-4](#) and Utah Administrative Rules [R277-726](#)).

1. Offerings

- a. **Full-Time Enrollment:** Provo Online offers full-time enrollment for students in grades 7-12 who reside in Provo School District.
 - i. **Grades 7–8:** Four core subjects plus two electives.
 - ii. **Grades 9–12:** All core courses and a variety of electives including NCAA-approved core classes where applicable.
- b. **Credit Recovery:** Provo Online provides credit recovery options (.25 or .5 credits). Recovery courses require a fee and focus on mastery demonstration. These courses are not NCAA-approved.
- c. **Part-Time Enrollment:** Students in grades 1–12 who live in Provo may split schedules between their local school and Provo Online. Non-Provo students in grades 9–12 may enroll part-time through the Statewide Online Education Program (SOEP).
- d. **Summer School:** Original and credit recovery courses are available through Provo Online.

2. Eligibility Rules

- a. [With the advice of a school counselor at the student's District school, a student enrolled in the District may enroll in a course offered through the Statewide Online Education Program to earn middle school or high school credit if the](#)

38 student meets the course prerequisites, the course is open for enrollment, and
39 the course is aligned with the student's plan for college and career readiness.
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- 41 b. Unless otherwise approved by the District or early graduation plan, students may
42 enroll in a maximum of **six (6) credits per school year**.
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44 3. Enrollment Procedures

- 45 a. District schools shall facilitate enrollment with authorized SOEP providers as
46 selected by eligible students, consistent with course credit limits.
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- 48 b. If a student has an IEP or Section 504 plan, the District school shall forward a
49 copy of the IEP or accommodation plan to the authorized online course provider
50 in compliance with federal law and shall ensure that the online course provider is
51 provided with any updated IEP or Section 504 Plan when revisions are made.
52 The student's District school may ensure that the student's IEP team and the
53 online course provider review a course enrollment to ensure that the student
54 meets enrollment requirements and may as needed coordinate additional IEP
55 team reviews with the online course provider to ensure that appropriate services,
56 supports, and accommodations are in place for the student.
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- 58 c. A formal **Course Credit Acknowledgment Agreement** must be executed
59 between the District and each provider for each student enrolled in an online
60 course offered through the Statewide Online Education Program. The online
61 course provider acknowledges that it is responsible for instruction of the student
62 in the online course and in which the District and the online course provider
63 agree on a process to provide the student's District school with the ability to
64 ensure the consistency of a course request with graduation requirements, the
65 student's plan for college and career readiness, and (if applicable) the student's
66 schedule, and compliance with IDEA timelines. The agreement shall also meet
67 the other requirements specified in [Utah Code § 53F-4-508](#).
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69 4. Credit & Transcript Recognition

- 70 a. District schools shall include the online courses of students enrolled in the school
71 in the student's enrollment records and, upon course completion, shall include
72 online course grades and credits on the student's transcripts. .
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- 74 b. High school credits earned before grade 9 shall be recognized toward graduation
75 requirements.
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- 77 c. A student enrolled in an online course may not earn more credits in a year than
78 would be earned by taking a full course load during the regular school day at the
79 student's District school which is the student's primary school of enrollment.
80 However, this limitation does not apply if the student intends to complete high
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82 school graduation requirements early and exit high school early in accordance
83 with the student's plan for college and career readiness.

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85 **5. Curriculum Vendors & Third Party Providers**

86 a. **Vendors:** Provo Online contracts with the Utah Online School (UOS), whose
87 curriculum is aligned to Utah State Standards.

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89 b. **Third Party Providers:**

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91 i. Selected through District/State RFP process.
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93 ii. Subject to monthly compliance checklists covering curriculum, staff
94 changes, reimbursements, attendance, and student work.
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96 iii. Must comply with FERPA, [Utah State Code R277-417](#), and all Provo
97 Online rules (including attendance and the 10-day drop rule).
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99 iv. May not act on behalf of the District without authorization.

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101 **6. Student Support & Equity**

102 a. Students eligible for **fee waivers** shall be provided with either on-site technology
103 access or District-provided devices/Wi-Fi.

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105 b. Online students shall have equal access to **counseling, leadership,**
106 **extracurriculars, sports, graduation activities, and co-curricular**
107 **opportunities.**

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109 c. K–8 students must complete diagnostic assessments in Math and English. If
110 deficiencies are found, teachers will provide interventions, which must be
111 documented. Persistent deficiencies may lead to special education referrals.

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113 **7. Access to Facilities & Services**

114 a. District schools shall provide facilities for online course participation during the
115 regular school day.

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117 b. Where District devices are used, separate accounts or credentials will be
118 provided to access provider platforms securely.

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120 **8. Oversight & Reporting**

121 a. **Monthly Oversight:** Provo Online administration shall review compliance with
122 Third Party Providers, including invoicing, reimbursements, interventions, and
123 attendance logs.

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- 125 b. **Annual Report:** Provo Online shall submit to the Board of Education a yearly
126 report including:
127 i. Course completion rates.
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129 ii. Enrollment breakdowns.
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131 iii. Third Party Provider compliance.
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133 iv. Equity and intervention data.
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135 Offerings

136 ~~Provo eSchool offers full-time enrollment for students in grades K-12 who live in Provo School~~
137 ~~District and for students in grades K-8 across Utah. A full-time schedule for kindergarteners~~
138 ~~includes math, language arts and one elective (science, social studies, music or art). Students~~
139 ~~in grades 1-6 take four core classes (math, language arts, science, and social studies) and one~~
140 ~~elective. Students in grades 7-8 take four core classes and two electives, and students in~~
141 ~~grades 9-12 take seven to eight courses.~~

142 ~~In addition to original credit classes, Provo eSchool offers credit recovery classes for students to~~
143 ~~make up lost credit from classes they previously failed. These classes come in .25 or .5 credit~~
144 ~~increments, and require a fee. Credit recovery courses are designed to show mastery and do~~
145 ~~not require the same amount of work as an original credit class.~~

146 ~~Provo eSchool also works directly with the local high schools to provide credit recovery gap~~
147 ~~classes, which provide Provo High and Timpview students the opportunity to take credit~~
148 ~~recovery classes at their school. Some credit recovery gap class students enroll in an original~~
149 ~~credit online class during that time if the course they need doesn't fit into their regular school~~
150 ~~schedule.~~

151 ~~Provo eSchool offers NCAA-approved core courses through a curriculum vendor. Students must~~
152 ~~notify eSchool staff if they are seeking NCAA eligibility to ensure they are enrolled in eligible~~
153 ~~classes. Credit recovery courses are not NCAA approved.~~

154 ~~eSchool offers part-time enrollment options. Students in grades 1-12 who live in Provo School~~
155 ~~District may take some of their classes at their local brick and mortar school and some at~~
156 ~~eSchool. Between the two schools, the student is given a full schedule. eSchool classes may~~
157 ~~not be supplemental to a full school day at a brick and mortar school. Students in grades 9-12~~
158 ~~outside of Provo may enroll part-time in eSchool through the Statewide Online Education~~
159 ~~Program (SOEP). This program allows students throughout Utah to take online classes through~~
160 ~~another district, while maintaining their enrollment in their local school district.~~

161 eSchool also offers a variety of summer school opportunities for students who need both
162 original and credit recovery classes. These offerings are provided at the high schools as well as
163 at home if that is the student's choice.

164 eSchool Curriculum Vendors

165 Provo eSchool contracts with four vendors for curriculum. All curriculums are aligned to Utah
166 State Standards.

- 167 1. K12: Available to students in grades K-8. Provides a hybrid approach of online
168 resources and physical materials (workbooks, textbooks, science kits, etc.) that are
169 mailed to a student's house. A parent/guardian is highly involved in guiding a
170 student through the set curriculum. eSchool teachers tutor, monitor, support, and
171 provide intervention for these students. Courses are yearlong. World language
172 courses are available beginning in third grade.
- 173 2. FuelEd: Solely online curriculum available to students in grades 9-12. Primarily
174 used for CTE courses and world languages. Courses are divided into semesters.
175 FuelEd provides Utah-certified teachers for each course.
- 176 3. BYU Independent Study: Solely online curriculum available to students in grades 7-
177 12. All core classes and many elective courses offered. Courses are divided into
178 semesters. BYU Independent provides Utah-certified teachers for each course.
- 179 4. Edgenuity: Solely online curriculum available to students in grades 6-12. All core
180 classes and many elective courses offered. Original credit core classes are NCAA
181 approved. Courses are divided into semesters, but many may also be subdivided
182 into terms. Edgenuity provides Utah-certified teachers for each course.

183 Third Party Providers

184 A Third Party Provider is an organization or business who recruits parents and students to be
185 part of an educational program that allows for greater flexibility in curriculum choices that meet
186 state standards for that grade level or class. These students are then enrolled in the Provo City
187 School District and must meet all enrollment requirements and eSchool rules. Third Party
188 Providers are selected through an approved district and state RFP process. Contracts are
189 reviewed yearly and re-negotiated at least once every three years.

190 Local and State Compliance

191 District online offerings and Third Party Providers must meet all local and state compliance rules
192 and mandates. These include, but are not limited to the following:

- 193 ● On a monthly basis the eSchool administration will meet with Third Party Providers
194 to review and complete a "monthly checklist." This checklist will include new

195 curriculum offerings, staff additions or deletions, allowable student reimbursements,
196 asset inventory, student work completion through grades, exams and eSchool
197 directed learning logs, attendance and withdrawals. These monthly checklists will
198 be kept and maintained for a two-year cycle, and will be reviewable by both district
199 and state level administrators.

- 200 ● All online programs will comply with FERPA rules and regulations.
- 201 ● To ensure students in grades K-8 are progressing at an appropriate pace for their
202 age level they will be required to take an intervention exam at the beginning of their
203 course work in both mathematics and English courses. Students may not opt-out of
204 these exams. If students are found to have deficiencies on these exams, teachers
205 will provide multi-tiered interventions to help the student acquire missing skills
206 needed for grade level success. These interventions must be recorded, and reports
207 will include types of interventions used, length of intervention and post-intervention
208 assessment measures. If the grade level cannot be maintained with targeted
209 interventions this will be a key factor in determining if a special education referral is
210 needed.
- 211 ● Third Party Providers will be required to complete a monthly invoice. This invoice
212 will include a detailed list of students and their grade levels.
- 213 ● Third Party Providers must follow Utah State Code R277-417 if they are choosing to
214 provide a reimbursement to parents of students enrolled in their programs. A list of
215 reimbursements will be provided on a monthly basis. These lists will be reviewed by
216 the eSchool administration for compliance. Once this process is completed these
217 lists will be sent to USBE officials for their additional review.
- 218 ● Third Party Providers must never speak on behalf of or use the school district's
219 name without expressly granted permission. This includes, but is not limited to,
220 GRAMA requests, agreements with curriculum vendors, and discussions with
221 higher education institutions.
- 222 ● Third Party Providers must comply with all eSchool rules including
223 attendance/progress requirements and the 10-day drop rule.
- 224 ● All Third Party Provider program students must be full-time students as no dual
225 enrollment students will be allowed.
- 226 ● eSchool will provide special education and 504 services to any qualifying student
227 enrolled in online program regardless of where they live in Utah.

228 Annual Report

229 eSchool will provide to the Board of Education an annual report that details course completion
230 rates, enrollment break downs, Third Party compliance, and overall success and improvement
231 data.

232 233 234 Legal References

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