




Online Student Success

9 WAYS TO BE SUCCESSFUL



You got this.

First... take a deep breath. These are weird times, but you've got this. You're not alone. We are here to help!

Read on for some helpful hints to success.

Treat your online class like a real class! (Because it is!)

- Show up for class.
- This means don't put work off until later, or it will pile up.
- Treat your class like it is a job you must complete before you get paid



Hold Yourself Accountable

**Wake up
motivated.
Nothing works
unless you
work. Nothing
changes unless
you change.
Dominate the
day.**

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- Set goals & check in frequently
- Set Reminders for upcoming due dates & plan time to make sure you've allotted enough time to complete the work.
- Pair up with another classmate and remind each other when to work on things.
- Be organized as best you can

Practice Time Management

- Create a daily schedule to follow. A daily to do list can help with this!
- Set reminders for yourself.
- Try time blocking- allot yourself a certain amount of time for each task.
- Set a timer to keep you accountable.



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Create a regular study space & stay organized



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- Set up a dedicated learning environment for study. Find what works best for you, and your family.
- Make sure you are comfortable and will be able to sit for your study duration
- If you are keeping paper copies of anything, try and get them organized in a binder, like you would in person at school.
- Set up a calendar with all important dates.

Eliminate Distractions



- You will be faced with many distractions that can easily derail your studies.
- Find a strategy that works best for you: you can listen to music, find a quiet study space, turn any devices off (phones, tablets, etc.). Only open websites for study and avoid surfing the web.
- Avoiding distractions will help you be more successful in your online learning. (This can be so hard; we get it!)

Figure Out How You Learn Best

Think about when and how you accomplish your best work.

- Are you a morning person or more of a night owl?
Work during your most productive time.

Think about what types of information help you best understand new concepts and try use those strategies when working. For example:

- If you are a visual learner taking written notes from an online lesson or assignment for you to look at.
- If you learn by listening, make sure you give yourself time to play and replay video.



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Actively Participate

- Engage in class discussions online
- Ask questions
- If you feel like you are falling behind speak up. Don't wait until your assignment is due to speak up.
- Email your teachers and be proactive in asking for help!



Practice Practice Practice

- Don't give up when you don't understand. It takes practice to understand new concepts.
- Keep practicing
- Rewatch videos
- Reread content
- Practice will help you feel confident in the materials provided!

“Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good.” - Malcolm Gladwell

Stay Mentally & Physically Healthy

- You will be spending a lot of time on a computer, tablet, phone, or other technology. It is really important that you stay healthy. Remember to:
 - Take breaks.
 - Connect with friends and distant relatives as best you can. This may be via facetime, a phone call, a letter, a masked & distanced hang-out, if allowed. Make time to connect!
 - Go on walks or run around outside.
 - Get the recommended amount of sleep.
 - Eat foods that nourish you.
 - Make time for hobbies, new and old.



Remember, we are here for you.

- You are doing GREAT already! We are here to support you however we can. Reach out to...
 - Your teachers
 - Your school counselors
 - Ms. Brianna Abbott (babbott@wscloud.org)
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