

WYOMING
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Virtual and Remote Education

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Overview

- Virtual education statute changes
- New remote education statutes
- Reporting K-12 concurrent enrollment

Virtual 307 Programming

- Delivery by Wyoming school districts through approval by the WDE
- Funding is the same model as brick and mortar classes
- Option to use vendor curriculum or district developed content (WDE approves classes)

Virtual 307 Programming

- Part-time - less than 50% of classes
- Full-time - more than 50% of classes
- Districts have the discretion to allow or not allow participation in virtual education

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Virtual Education

- The teacher and student are in different locations and either can be located on or off campus during class delivery
- Instruction and communication is accomplished through the use of technology
- The class is mainly asynchronous although some have synchronous components

Virtual Education Teachers

- Can be employed by a Wyoming school district or they can be employed by a vendor the district has contracted with to provide online classes
- Teachers must be Wyoming certified in each case

Virtual Education Examples

- A student is on campus taking an online class from Florida Virtual during a designated period of the school day. Their teacher works for Florida Virtual and is certified in Wyoming.
- A student is at home taking all their classes online from Cowboy State Virtual Academy. Their teacher is located on campus.

Virtual Education Examples

- A student takes a BYU Independent Study high school class during study hall at school. Their teacher works for BYU Online High School and is certified in Wyoming.
- Students spend part of their time at school and part of their time at home completing online courses taught by teachers at the school. They go on campus for assessments and in-person instruction when needed.

2019 Virtual Education Statute Changes

- [House Enrolled Act 0005](#) allows:
 - Postsecondary faculty to teach K-12 virtual education classes when a certified Wyoming teacher isn't available
 - Students can take more than 50% of their classes from a virtual education program and still remain enrolled in their district of residence

Postsecondary Faculty

- Must be teaching the same content at the college level at the postsecondary institution they are employed by (the institution has appropriate regional accreditation)
- Districts must obtain a letter from the postsecondary institution verifying employment and classes being taught

Full-time VE Agreements

- Districts can now enter an agreement for full-time virtual education delivery with the district of residence maintaining membership
- The district with **primary** enrollment (aka membership) enrolls the student in a brick and mortar school, reports ADM, and is responsible for accountability

Remote Education

- [House Enrolled Act 0118:](#)
 - Created a new distance learning delivery method that is exempt from virtual education requirements
 - The new statute specifies the district agreements, district responsibilities, and what remote education delivery includes

Definitions in Statute

- Virtual Education: Means instruction primarily through technology ***outside the physical classroom***
- Remote Education: The teacher instructs the course in-person, ***in a physical classroom setting*** in the district of employment and provides interactive delivery of content to the remote student

Remote Education

- The student and teacher are in different locations but **both** must be on a school campus during class delivery
- The teacher must
 - be Wyoming certified,
 - employed by the district offering the class, and
 - teach the class in person to students in their classroom while providing interactive delivery to remote students

Remote Education

- The remote education delivery is mainly synchronous and must include real time interaction
- Remote education can only be delivered from one school district to another at this time

Remote Education

- Districts don't need to have virtual education program approval to deliver remote education classes
- Remote education classes don't have to be approved by the WDE and won't be included on the Virtual 307 class database

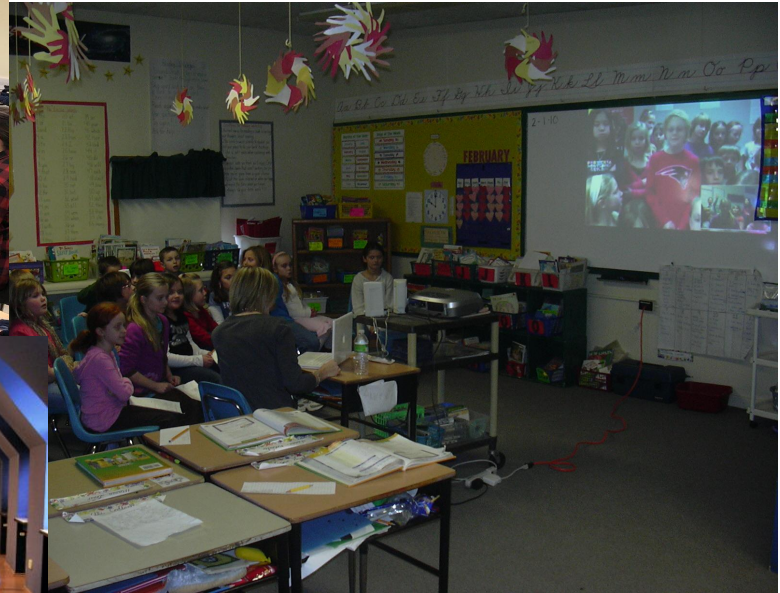
Remote Education Example

- A student in district A sits in a classroom during an assigned period and takes a live class delivered by a teacher in district B through video conferencing.

Virtual Education



Remote Education



K-12 Concurrent Enrollment

- When a student takes a class from another school besides their school of **primary** enrollment
- Concurrent enrollment classes can be delivered:
 - Face-to-face
 - Through virtual education
 - Through remote education

Reporting & Funding

- Reporting remote education classes is the **same** as any other K-12 concurrent enrollment classes
- A remote education medium of instruction has been added to each SIS to report these classes
- The district with primary enrollment still maintains membership and reports the student ADM

**Reporting for School A
with the Primary Enrollment**
(Have an agreement for another school
to deliver a course to a student
primarily enrolled in this school.)

**Reporting for School B
with the Concurrent Enrollment**
(Have an agreement to deliver a course
to a student primarily enrolled
in another school.)

School A and B use the same course name and SCED Code
(if applicable) as established by School B

In **SIS**, mark Medium of Instruction =
"AS" From Another School

In **SIS**, mark Medium of Instruction =
"FF" if Face-to-Face,
"DE" if Distance/Virtual Education, or
"RM" if Remote Education
and
Concurrent Enrollment flag = "Y"

Report class on **WDE638** with
HathawayIndicator = "Y"
if School B has received that
approval

Report class on **WDE638** and
receive any required approvals
that apply with
HathawayIndicator = "Y"
and/or VirtualEducation = "Y"

Report class on **WDE684** section
with
Medium of Instruction = "AS" From
Another School
and
Provider ID = School B (the school
delivering the course)

Report class on **WDE684** section with
StudentConcurrentEnrollment = "Y"
and
MediumOfInstruction =
"FF" if Face-to-Face or
"DE" if Distance/Virtual Education or
"RM" if Remote Education

Report attendance on
WDE600 and class on
WDE949 or **WDE950**
Collections as they apply

Questions

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