



Extended Education Opportunities for Home School Students

North Carolina
Virtual Public School and
Career and College Promise



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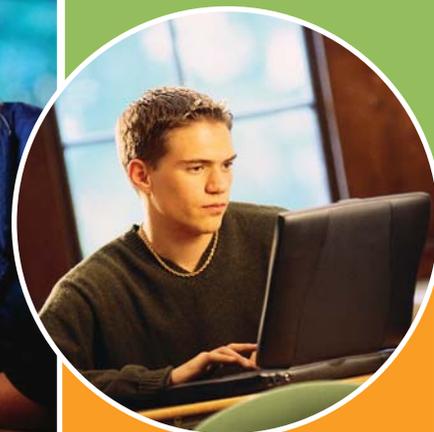


North Carolina Virtual Public School Program for Home School Students

The North Carolina Virtual Public School (NCVPS) now offers certain courses for non-public home school students. New Visiting Students Policy set forth by the North Carolina State Board of Education (SBE) allows local education agencies (LEAs) to enroll non-public students into online courses offered by NCVPS and to collect fees for such enrollments. Parents should review the **Non-Public Education legislation (Chapter 115C –Article 39)** to determine eligibility of their students to participate in the NCVPS non-public school program.

The Visiting Students Policy

- Permits students to enroll in NCVPS courses through the LEA access to the NCVPS registration system.
- Student grades will be reported by NCVPS to the local school system.
- Participation by home-schooled students is a decision made by the system administrators.



Course Options

Psychology
Success 101
Latin I
Latin II
Visual Journaling
SAT Prep
African-American History
Personal Finance
Accounting I

For a current listing, visit

<http://www.ncups.org/index.php/courses>.

Note that core subjects (reading, spelling, grammar and math) should be taught by home school parent or guardian according to North Carolina General Statutes.

Course Cost

Course cost varies according to length. One credit course ranges from \$500 - \$915

How Do I Register My Student?

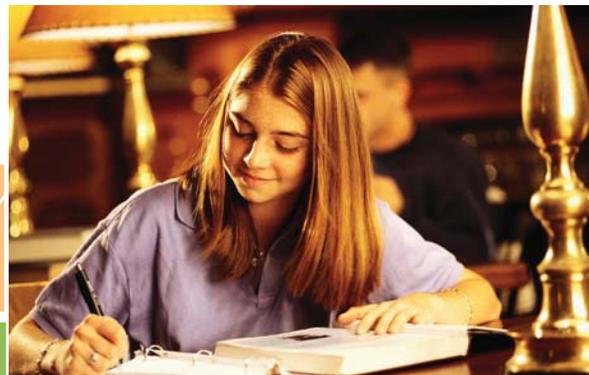
Visit <http://www.ncvps.org/index.php/non-public-school-students/>.

For additional information, please call 919-513-8550 or e-mail ncvpsinfo@ncpublicschools.gov.

Home School Law Reminders

While not mandated by law, home schools are **strongly encouraged** to:

- Offer instruction of at least similar quality, scope and duration as local conventional schools.
- Maintain at least five clock hours (300 minutes) of instruction with the student(s) each school day.
- Conduct instruction each school year for 180 days.
- Maintain a current daily log, journal or lesson plan book throughout the entire school year detailing time period for each subject each day and the information covered during the specified time period.
- Retain records at your school at least until the student has enrolled in a conventional school or has graduated.
- Administer and score a nationally standardized test each year during the same week of your choice between March 1 and April 15 by someone not living in the same household as the student.



Career and College Promise

Through Career and College Promise (CCP), qualified North Carolina high-school age students can begin their two- or four-year college work, tuition free, while they are in high school, allowing them to get a head start on their workplace and college preparation. The program is **free** to all students who maintain a “B” average and meet other eligibility requirements.

The two pathways to chose from are:

College Transfer – Earn tuition-free course credits toward a four-year degree through North Carolina’s community colleges. All credits in the completion of 44-hour credit program will transfer to all UNC institutions and many of North Carolina’s Independent Colleges and Universities.

Technical Career – Earn tuition-free course credits at a North Carolina community college toward an entry-level job credential, certificate or diploma in a technical career.

Basic Eligibility

- High school junior or senior status as of January 2012 or later.
- Weighted 3.0 GPA
- Continue to make progress toward high school graduation.
- Complete transcript (homeschool and other courses, if applicable).
- Copy of homeschool registration form.
- Meet testing requirements (examples: SAT, ACT, PSAT, PLAN).
- Complete application (may vary by community college).
- Contact a CCP representative to schedule an appointment.

Frequently Asked Questions

Are these college credit classes really free for home schooled students?

Yes. Tuition is waived for home schooled students enrolled in the CCP pathways. Students are responsible for the cost of text books and other expenses.

How do we determine if our home-school students are juniors or seniors, and whether they are making progress toward high school graduation?

The home school chief administrator (usually the parent) must certify that the student is a junior or senior and is making progress toward graduation. A CCP representative can assist in determining eligibility.

What constitutes “continue to make progress toward high school graduation”? Does this mean that a student can take only community college courses (no high school courses) since they receive dual credit?

Participating students can take courses at their high school and community college. The LEA, home school chief administrator will monitor academic progress to ensure that students are progressing towards high school completion.

Contact Information

Contact the High School Programs Coordinator at your local North Carolina community college.

For additional information, please visit

<http://www.careercollegenc.org>.