



Approved Online Course Provider

Internet Academy

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NCAA High School Code: 480402

OSPI Approval

Approved as an Online Course Provider since 2009-2010.

Student Performance and Demographics

Data for school year: 2014-2015

Course completion rate: 80% of 4709 enrollments

Course pass rate: 60% of 4709 enrollments

Access

iA accepts students to be full time K-12 and, as capacity allows, part time enrollment for a class or two shared with their home district school or to remain homeschooled for high school scholars. Students wishing to take courses with Federal Way Internet Academy go to the iA homepage and click on the "Enrollment Info" link that will guide them through the registration/enrollment process. Parent/Guardian will begin the registration process. Courses are listed by grade level and then by subject area. After enrollment, students and parents/guardians will be provided an online handbook as an orientation. Parents/Guardians are also then placed into their observer account allowing them to follow their student's progress easily throughout the school year. Prior to being placed into classes, iA staff will build the student schedule based on transcript needs and student's selection. Once the state and school required documents are completed and submitted the student is placed into their class(es). For more information regarding registration for iA classes visit <https://www.iacademy.org/enroll/>.

Overview

Serving students online since 1996, Internet Academy (iA) is one of the leading pioneers in online education. iA is part of the Federal Way Public Schools, which utilizes Washington State certified Federal Way Public Schools teachers to provide online instruction to students in grades K-12. Internet Academy is accredited through Cognia and provides traditional core and elective classes in a nontraditional manner through an online learning platform. iA's courses meet Washington State goals through standards-based learning. Online learning through Internet Academy appeals to a wide variety of students with many different needs. Students take courses in order to complete requirements for graduation, access courses that may not be available at their resident school, pursue special interests and talents while remaining on schedule for graduation, the inability to attend a school for various reasons including physical and mental health needs, and continue to participate in a home school setting. iA's mission is to provide innovative and challenging academic experiences to students anywhere. Students are expected to access/attend synchronous and asynchronous learning through leading technology tools.

Course Offerings

Subjects:

- Arts
- Business
- Language Arts
- Lifeskills-Health
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology
- World Languages

Levels:

- Standard

Students

iA offers course opportunities for all students either on a full-time basis in grades K through 12 and part time basis grades 9-12. K-8 students courses include grade level core classes as well participate in rotating electives like music and fitness. Students in the middle school may participate in career focused courses like photography, culinary arts, or personal finance based on grade level or may take world language courses for high school credit such as Spanish, French, or Korean. Students in grades 9-12 have core classes and a wide variety of electives to satisfy transcript/graduation needs. Some courses may not be offered at a student's resident school, but available at iA.

Student-Teacher Contact Requirements

Students must follow the state requirements of making weekly academic contact (WAC) as well as making monthly satisfactory progress (MPR) towards successful completion of their course by their given end date. Internet Academy courses include synchronous learning time that students are expected to attend and flexible asynchronous tasks allowing times for students to work with teachers, receive support, and ask questions. Students attend synchronous times as scheduled and set their own schedule for completing weekly asynchronous tasks to maintain the pace of the course or work ahead. Full time students must plan to engage in 5-6 hours of learning everyday. Students use their learning plan contract to complete lessons and assignments. Students are expected to attend weekly virtual classes to engage in learning, touch base with their teacher, ask questions, and assess their progress. Students are required to make weekly academic contact (WAC) with each of their teachers through an attendance quiz in their homeroom or advisory course. iA students receive a homeroom or advisory linking the student with a teacher that will follow that student through their school year with iA. The homeroom teacher/advisor stays in contact with each student evaluating their progress monthly and helping to keep them on pace for successful completion. iA strongly believes in "significant learning occurs with a significant relationship." Each student attending iA works individually with their teachers as well as with classmates in virtual sessions or field trips or other class gatherings.

Courseware Platform

All Internet Academy courses are delivered over the Internet; course assignments and correspondence are delivered using the iA campus online pages which is in the Angel Learning Platform. This platform provides instruction, assessment and feedback tools, an internal closed email system, and detailed information for parents and mentors about their student's progress.

iA uses third party curriculum within some courses including Learning Odyssey (all K-6 courses) which require the student to "leave" from within the iA campus and go to the Odyssey website. Fuel Education (formerly Aventa Learning)

(foreign languages, accounting), eDynamics (9-12 some electives), Carone Fitness (health and PE), and Middlebury (some world languages) all of which are accessed from within the iA campus.