



ACCESS Parent Information

STUDENTS MAY WORK IN ACCESS COURSES

- Any time
- Any place
- Any pace (in accordance with course pacing guides and term deadlines)

WHY TAKE AN ACCESS COURSE?

- Your child wants to take courses not offered at his/her local school.
- Your child is transferring from another school and the new school does not offer the same courses.
- Your child is missing credits needed for graduation.
- Your child's course requests cannot be accommodated by the local school's schedule.
- Your child wants to get ahead in school by taking additional courses.
- Your child wants to take classes over the summer.
- Your child wants experience in a virtual learning environment.

ACCESS COURSES AND TEACHERS

- ACCESS courses are developed and designed by Curriculum Specialists at the University of Alabama.
- ACCESS courses are taught by real teachers certified by the Alabama State Department of Education.

LOCAL SCHOOLS USING ACCESS COURSES

- Must determine if students are eligible to take ACCESS courses.
- Must provide the hardware, software, textbooks, and other equipment and/or instructional materials needed by students in virtual learning classes.
- Must provide trained facilitators to supervise and assist students with their virtual courses.

ACCESS PARENTS

- May view their child's course and grades through the student's ACCESS Schoology account.
- May request a progress report for their child's ACCESS courses through their local school.
- May attend virtual Parent Meetings with the Madison City Support Center to learn more about the ACCESS program.

ACCESS STUDENTS

- May choose from over 120 high school and middle school courses during the school year including 5 different world languages, 11 AP courses, core courses, electives, and credit recovery courses.
- May choose from over 40 summer school courses.
- May work in their ACCESS courses at home. (Tests and exams must be taken during the school day under the supervision of the school assigned facilitator.)
- May resubmit assignments and tests (not exams) to improve their grades (in accordance with ACCESS and teacher policies).
- May request help from a Success Coach if they need assistance in their ACCESS courses.