



OKM's Online School Commitment Form



Full Name: _____ Grade: _____

Online courses require strong time management and a commitment of at least 3 hours a week to ensure successful completion within a school year.

Course Name	Online Provider	Graduation Requirement	Intended Completion Date
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Will you be at home during this time (making you a part-time student at OKM)? YES / NO

Will you be replacing this spot with another OKM course? If yes, which course are you requesting? _____

By signing this form and taking an online course, students and parents understand that:

- It is not OKM's responsibility to advise or register students in online courses. Choosing to take an online course is a family decision.
- OKM will not monitor your grade or progress. You must check your own progress online to ensure you are not falling behind or failing the course.
- Parents/Guardians, you are responsible for managing and monitoring your child's progress.
- It is important to understand that online schools might not communicate directly with counsellors which makes it challenging to monitor your graduation progress if the course is a graduation requirement.
- Post-secondary institutions may not accept all online courses for admission. They also have timelines of when certain courses need to be completed if the student hopes these will be included in their admission decisions. It is your responsibility to know what these are.
- If you drop an online course, space and timetable limitations may restrict your options to take the same course in a class at OKM.
- It is your responsibility to let OKM counsellors know if you don't complete the course and want to take it again the following year at OKM.
- Upon completion, it is your responsibility to check and make sure the mark is recorded on your transcript and communicate with the online provider if there are issues.
- It is your responsibility to contact the online provider if there are issues with the course, the teacher, the grading, etc. OKM can't have these conversations on your behalf.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Online School Options

Finding an online school can be challenging as there are over 40 online schools to choose from in British Columbia. Doing your research is important as you want to make sure you choose a reliable and credible online school that communicates well, marks assignments quickly, and can be easily accessed for help if needed. It is recommended you phone the online school and have a conversation with the registrar to make sure it's the right fit for you. Here are a few recommended websites to get you started:

- 1) **eSchool23** – This is our local online school provider and is connected with School District 23. This is an easier process than most online schools as they will already have the majority of your information because of being registered at OKM. This school runs September to June and is NOT open in the summer time. Students must be completed the course by their deadline in June, otherwise the course credit is lost. All graduation requirements and some electives are offered through this school. You can access the teachers and extra help in person through Central School if needed. eSchool offers a K – 9 remote learning option, online courses for grade 10 – 12, adult education and more.

Register at: <https://eschoolbc.sd23.bc.ca/>

- 2) **Learn Now BC** – This is a search tool for identifying which online schools offer which courses. This tool can be helpful if you are looking for a more obscure course or some other options. It will also tell you if they are a school that runs all year round or September-June, start times, requirements, and if they are open for registrations.

<https://www.learnnowbc.ca/courses/>

- 3) **South Central Interior Distance Education School (SCIDES)** – This is a popular choice with our OKM students and is located in Merritt, BC. This school is open all year round, including the summer. Students have one year to finish their course but can be completed earlier if the student chooses. This school offers all graduation requirements and many electives. SCIDES has options for K – 12 where students can be full time or cross-enrolled (where OKM remains their homeschool if the majority of the courses are with OKM).

Register at: <https://scides.ca/>