

## 2011-2012 Florida Virtual Education Chart \*

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<b>Eligible students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public school</li> <li>- Private school</li> <li>- Home educated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Public school</li> <li>-Private school</li> <li>- Home educated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Home educated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Public school students in grades K-12</li> <li>-Home educated and private school students can enter in grades K-1 and 6-12</li> <li>-Statewide availability</li> </ul>	Must meet one of these criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Student entering K-1</li> <li>-Student enrolled in a public school or a virtual school for entire previous school year</li> <li>-Sibling was enrolled in a K-8 or VIP for previous school yr and is enrolled for current school year</li> <li>-Dependent of a military family</li> </ul>
<b>Enrollment Status</b>	Student maintains public school, private school or home education status.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Home education and private school students retain their status, but this may vary depending on the school district and the number of courses taken. (Check with your school district franchise**)</li> <li>- A Diploma-seeking student must enroll full-time in the school district.</li> </ul>	Student registers as a home education student with the school district in which the student resides and maintains legal status as a home educated student.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-All students are enrolled full-time with FLVS and become public school students.</li> <li>- The student will no longer be a home education student.</li> <li>-FLVS will maintain the student's records, transcript and issue the diploma in 2012-13.</li> </ul>	All students are public school students.
<b>Grades Available</b>	Grades 6-12	Grades 6-12	Grades K-1 and 6-12	Grades K-11 (12th grade in 2012-13)	Grades K-12
<b>Enrollment</b>	Part-time Individual Courses	Part Time Individual Courses	Full Time Entire curriculum (Option to take up to 6 courses per semester)	Full Time Entire Curriculum (Standard public school course load)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Full Time (K-12)</li> <li>- Part-time in grade 9-12 courses measured by FCAT, End of Course or AP exams.</li> </ul>
<b>Enrollment Deadline</b>	Anytime throughout the year as space is available.	Deadline for enrollment prior to each semester of traditional school year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FLVS Courses prior to beginning of semester.</li> <li>-Connection Academy at beginning of school year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FLVS Courses prior to beginning of semester.</li> <li>-Connection Academy at beginning of school year</li> </ul>	Beginning of traditional school year for K-5. (Check with your district's virtual office regarding deadlines for grades 6-12.)
<b>Schedule/ Pace</b>	Flexible – semester courses can be completed at any pace up to 18 wks. (extended time with permission)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Fixed schedule following the traditional school calendar</li> <li>-Flexible hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Fixed schedule following the traditional 180-day school calendar</li> <li>-Flexible hours</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Fixed schedule following the traditional 180-day school calendar</li> <li>-Flexible hours</li> </ul>	Fixed schedule follows the traditional 180-day school calendar Hours may be flexible depending on the program

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<b>Provider</b>	FLVS <a href="http://www.flvs.net">www.flvs.net</a>	School districts that have chosen to establish a franchise with FLVS (Not all districts have a Franchise**)	Connections Academy or FLVS – Only offered directly through <a href="http://www.flvs.net">www.flvs.net</a>	Connections Academy or FLVS –Only offered directly through <a href="http://www.flvs.net">www.flvs.net</a>	Individual school districts
<b>Curriculum</b>	FLVS	FLVS	Grades K-1: Connections Academy  Grades 6-8: Connection Academy with FLVS electives.  Grades 9 -12: FLVS with Connection Academy electives	Grades K-1: Connections Academy  Grades 6-8: Connection Academy with FLVS electives.  Grades 9 -12: FLVS with Connection Academy electives	Approved providers: - FLVS/Connections Academy - K-12, Inc. (K-12 Florida, LLC) - Educational Options - Kaplan Virtual Education -National Network of Digital Sch. -Advanced Academics -School district virtual courses (Check your school district** or the DOE website*** for providers in your district.)
<b>Curriculum Delivery</b>	- Online -Equipment and supplies sent to student's home. -The computer equipment and internet access are not provided by FLVS.	-Online  (Some school districts and private schools may provide computer equipment at the school.)	- Online - Books, equipment and/or manipulatives are shipped to student's home. -The computer equipment and internet access are not provided by FLVS.	- Online - Books, equipment and/or manipulatives are shipped to student's home -Computer, printer and internet provided to students who qualify for the federal free and reduced lunch program.	- Textbooks & manipulatives shipped to student's home - Online and/or blended with classroom instruction. - Computer, printer and Internet provided to students who qualify for the federal free & reduced lunch program.
<b>Accountability</b>	-Multiple assessments: online, oral & final exam for each module; - Home education student must take final semester exam, but not required to take the statewide End of Course exam. Passing course grade required. -Home education parent is responsible for annual evaluation.	- Multiple assessments: online, oral & final exam for each module - Diploma-seeking student must pass the FCAT, End of Course Exam & have 24 credits. - Home education students must pass final exam. Home Education parent is responsible for annual evaluation.	-Multiple assessments: online, oral & final exam for each module; Attendance must be recorded - Home education students must pass final semester exam, but not required to take the statewide End of Course exam. -Home education parent is responsible for annual evaluation.	-Multiple assessments: online, oral & final exam for each module; -Must meet public school requirements for attendance, graduation, FCAT or Statewide End of Course exam. -FLVS will be the school of record. provide transcript and in 2013 diploma.	-Course grades/ tests - Must meet public school requirements for attendance, graduation, FCAT or Statewide End of Course exam. -School district will provide the transcript and diploma.  (Check with provider for further detail)

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<b>Teacher Availability</b>	On call from 8:00am to 8:00 pm 7 days a week year-round. (Group and individual tutoring sessions available.)	Some are full-time during school hours or part-time with limited office hours after school. (Check with district's franchise office)	During school hours or limited hours after school.	During school hours or limited hours after school.	Generally available during school hours. (Check with your district's VIP Office for specific hours.)
<b>Course Selection</b>	All FLVS courses are available to any Florida student. -Parent and/or Guidance Counselor and student decide on the courses with approval by FLVS- Students are not limited to grade-level courses.	District franchise may only offer limited courses and other courses are available directly through FLVS. - A school district guidance counselor will assist students in course selection for their graduation/career paths.	Full-time grade-level curriculum in K-1 and 6-8 are determined by Connections Academy -Core courses in 9 -12 are determined by FLVS in partnership with parent and student.	Full-time grade-level curriculum. K-8 Core courses are determined Connections Academy. -Core courses in 9 -12 needed for graduation are determined by FLVS, electives chosen by student and parent.	Full-time grade-level curriculum. Core courses are determined by the provider and the school district.
<b>Teacher employment</b>	Florida certified teachers are employed by FLVS.	Florida certified or adjunct teachers employed by the school district or FLVS.	Florida certified teachers employed by FLVS or Connections Academy.	Florida certified teachers employed by or FLVS Connections Academy.	Florida certified teachers or certified adjunct teachers are employed by school district or the private curriculum provider.
<b>Course Instructor</b>	FLVS teachers provide all the instruction.	School district or FLVS Florida certified teacher. FLVS provides the same curriculum, training and some oversight, but the teacher is employed by the school district.	-FLVS Teachers -Connection Academy teachers provide lesson assignments & feedback with synchronous online instruction. Learning Coach/Parent provides in home daily instruction & oversight in grades K-1 and 6-8.	-FLVS Teachers -Connection Academy teachers provide lesson assignments & feedback with synchronous online instruction. Learning Coach/Parent provides in home daily instruction & oversight in grades K-8.	Florida certified teacher or certified adjunct teachers and, depending on the program, the Learning Coach/Parent provides in home daily instruction & oversight in grades K-8.
<b>Teacher Training</b>	Florida certified teachers are trained by FLVS in online instruction. All teachers only teach in-field. Ongoing Professional Development provided.	Florida certified or certified adjunct teachers are employed by the district and are trained and mentored by FLVS. Ongoing Professional Development provided.	Florida certified teachers are trained by FLVS or Connections Academy Ongoing Professional Development provided.	Florida certified teachers are trained by FLVS or Connections Academy Ongoing Professional Development provided.	Florida certified or certified adjunct teachers are trained by the curriculum provider or district.

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<b>Funding</b>	FLVS only receives funding upon successful completion of the course by the student.	School district receives funding only upon successful completion of the course by the student. District contracts with FLVS for services	FLVS and Connection Academy only receives funding upon successful completion of the course or grade. FLVS sub-contracts with Connection Academy.	FLVS and Connection Academy only receives funding upon successful completion of the course or grade. FLVS sub-contracts with Connection Academy.	School district only receives funding upon successful completion of the course or progression to the next grade level and may subcontract with a private provider to deliver the program.
<b>ESE Services</b>	Not available.	School district required to provide IEP services.	Not available.	FLVS district required to provide IEP services.	School district required to provide IEP services.
<b>Extracurricular Activities</b>	Home education students can take as many courses as they desire & retain their status as a home educated student remaining eligible for sports and band at their zoned public school or a private school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Home education students taking 50% or more of their courses are deemed public school students by the FHSAA and are only eligible for sports or band at their zoned public school, losing their right to participate at a private school.</li> <li>- Diploma-seeking students will become public school students and are only eligible for sports or band at their zoned public school.</li> </ul>	<p>Student maintains status as a home education student.</p> <p>Eligible for band and sports at their zoned public school or a private school.</p>	<p>Students are public school students at FLVS.</p> <p>FHSAA eligibility has not been determined by the legislature.</p>	Students are public school students and are only eligible at their zoned public school.
<b>Transcripts</b>	FLVS will issue an "official" transcript for FLVS courses taken.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- School district issues the "official" transcript for diploma-seeking students.</li> <li>- The district may issue an "official" transcript for courses taken by home education students.</li> </ul>	FLVS will issue an "official" transcript for FLVS courses taken.	FLVS will provide the "official" transcript.	School district issues the "official" transcript for diploma-seeking students.

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<b>Diploma</b>	No	Using the Transfer of Credit rule, some school districts will grant diplomas to home education students who enroll full-time for part or all of their senior year.	No	Yes (in 2013)  FLVS will issue diplomas in 2013.	Yes.  School district issues diploma
<b>AP &amp; Honors</b>	Both are available.	Courses taught by the school district vary. All FLVS AP courses are available directly through FLVS.	Both are available.	Both are available	Check with your district's VIP Office regarding this option for high school students.
<b>Dual Enrollment</b>	Students who retain their home education status may participate in DE courses under the home education articulation agreement with a state college and may be able to earn an AA degree depending on the state college.	- School district will determine for public school students. - Students who retain their home education status may participate in DE courses under the home education articulation agreement with a state college.	Not available at this time.	Not available at this time.	Depends on the provider and curriculum.  (Check with your district's Virtual Office regarding this option for high school students.)
<b>Bright Futures Medallion Scholarship****</b>	Home education students qualifying for a Medallion BF Scholarship with the lower SAT score of 980 (Reading + Math) may use FLVS courses to document the 16 required courses.	Home education students qualifying for a Medallion BF Scholarship with the lower SAT score of 980 (Reading + Math) may use FLVS/Franchise courses to document the 16 required courses.	Home education students qualifying for a Medallion BF Scholarship with the lower SAT score of 980 (Reading + Math) may use FLVS courses to document the 16 required courses.	Not applicable for 2011-2012  (Seniors cannot be enrolled in FLVS FT Public this year since. FLVS will not issue diplomas until 2013.)	School district will determine if student meets the standard eligibility requirements.

\*Disclaimer: This document has been prepared with the best information available at this time. Though not exhaustive, this document is intended as a guide for parents of home education students, and it should not be regarded as legal advice. Information may vary from school district to school district. These programs are subject to legislative or school district changes at any time. Please carefully research the information for yourself, especially in regard to Bright Futures Scholarships or participation in extracurricular activities.

\*\*For More Information See School District Virtual Instruction Programs by district:

<http://www.fldoe.org/Schools/virtual-schools/district-franchises.asp>

\*\*\*For Information on approved providers:

<http://www.fldoe.org/Schools/virtual-schools/DistrictVIP.asp>

\*\*\*\*Bright Futures website:

<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/SSFAD/bf/>

Other Helpful links:

<http://www.connectionsacademy.com/florida-school/faq.aspx>

<http://www.fldoe.org/Schools/virtual-schools/pdf/veof.pdf>

<http://www.fldoe.org/Schools/virtual-schools/pdf/DistrictVIP-FAQ.pdf>

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