

APPENDIX E
Arlington Public Schools
Virtual Course Offerings to Fulfill Graduation Requirement

Virtual Course Requirement 20-3.200 Instructional Delivery Options

Beginning in the 2013-14 school year, students entering Grade 9 are required by the Code of Virginia to successfully complete one virtual course to earn a Standard Diploma or an Advanced Studies Diploma. The course may be a credit or non-credit-bearing (make-up or strengthening) course.

Criteria for Approval of Virtual Courses

Any virtual course used to meet graduation requirements or that will be counted in the calculation of grade point must either:

- Be listed as a course offered in a virtual environment by APS in the Program of Studies, or
- If not offered by APS (or the student is unable to take the APS course for reasons approved and verified by the school the student is attending), the course must be:
 - pre-approved by the Superintendent’s designee;
 - offered by an accredited institution or offered by a provider which meets the Virginia Department of Education criteria for approved providers;
 - aligned with the appropriate Virginia Standards of Learning, where applicable; and
 - of an appropriate grade and content level comparable in level of rigor with any corresponding APS courses, accessible for all learners, and meet best practices for instructional design as outlined by the International Association for K-12 Online Learning (iNACOL).

References Policy 20-3.200 Instructional Delivery Options

Courses offered during the school day which fulfill the virtual requirement in 2018-19:

- Art History, AP
- Economics & Personal Finance
- Health I
- HILT B Social Studies
- US/VA History
- Arabic (I-V) *
- Chinese (I-AP) *
- German (I-AP) *
- Japanese(I-III)
- Latin(I-II)

**Successful completion of a high school credit bearing course in middle school delivered through Virtual@APS may be used to fulfill the graduation requirement. Please see your counselor for more information.*

Please see course descriptions in appropriate content area section of this document. Additional information regarding Virtual@APS is available at: <https://virtualaps.apsva.us/>