

PARIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS

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GREYHOUND ACADEMY APPLICATION INFORMATION

Paris Independent Schools will begin school on August 11, 2021 with a virtual online distance learning option for Paris High School and Paris Middle School students called Greyhound Academy. The Greyhound Academy is a fully remote learning experience available to PHS and PMS students and families. Students at Paris Elementary School will attend school in person during the 2021-22 school year.

Throughout the school year students qualifying for the Greyhound Academy will learn remotely at home. The teachers' role will facilitate courses and learning to include check-ins, virtual instruction, and scheduled zoom meetings that will enhance the learning of new material and stay on track with curriculum pacing guides. Our goal is for students to make a seamless transition from at-home learning in the Greyhound Academy to an in-person option when students choose a change in their learning environment and experience.

Enrollment in Paris Greyhound Academy for the 2021-2022 will be limited and not all who apply will be accepted. Through our experience with the pandemic virtual learning model, we recognize that a virtual learning environment is not the best environment for all students, but it is a good option for some students and families. Before applying to Greyhound Academy the family must make sure this learning option is the right one for their child and that the student is equipped with the necessary skills to be successful in a virtual self-guided online learning environment. For a complete list of the guidelines and qualifications, please review the Paris Greyhound Academy Handbook.

PARTICIPATION CRITERIA AND EXPECTATIONS Certain criteria must be met to ensure the success of Greyhound Academy students. Parents/guardians will be asked to review and agree to the success criteria below when completing the application request for a student to enroll. Once enrolled in the Greyhound Academy, students who continuously do not meet the participation expectations may be placed on probation and could be released from the program and return to in-person learning at their school.

• Students will commit to attend for a semester	Family will ensure reliable internet access
 Students will interact with teachers and submit coursework on time. 	 Students will login and participate in classes on a daily basis, including use of microphone and webcam.
• A dedicated space at home for school work.	Live sessions may be recorded.

Please use this <u>form</u> to ask questions you may have about the Greyhound Academy -<u>See</u> <u>FAQs here</u>

Please complete the <u>application</u> to apply for the Greyhound Academy in the 2021-2022 school year.