

FLEX ACADEMY

Parent Newsletter

Happy Fall!

Thank you for your continued support of our FLEX Academy students. We have seen an increase in student work submissions and tutorial attendance. Keep up the good work!

Grading Process and Modifications

In an effort to assist students in completing their courses by the end of the semester, FLEX Academy has adjusted the list of required assignments due for this course, closely aligning to the minimum requirement of three assessments per week per DeKalb County School District policy.

The current grading protocol of updating Infinite Campus weekly will remain in place. This will include missing assignments.

The remaining requirements provide an opportunity to show mastery of the content. As you navigate through the course, be sure to complete the required assessments as outlined. These are the assessments that will be included in your Infinite Campus Gradebook.

If your student has successfully completed assessments that are not on the required list, he/she will receive full credit for those assignments in Infinite Campus. That credit will not be taken away and will be used to calculate the final grade.

Please note: If you are enrolled in a school that follows **the Block Schedule**, you are responsible for both parts of the course. Semester I and Semester II coursework equates to 1 Full Carnegie Unit, which is what you earn in your regular face-to-face classes each semester.

Block Schedule Schools

Please note the following:

- Grades are entered weekly by the teacher.
- Students can make up any assignment without penalty until the end of the semester.
- Student support consists of during-the-day and after-school tutorials, virtual chats with counselors, and office hours with virtual learning specialists.

Grades

Infinite Campus is the gradebook of record for DeKalb County Schools. Apex Learning System provides digital content and assessments that have been aligned to the DCSD curriculum guides.

Their assignment weights are sometimes different the assessment weights in Infinite Campus. As teachers add your grades to Infinite Campus, under the appropriate weight categories, your progress grade is calculated. The grade averages in Infinite Campus are the correct grades.

DeKalb County School District Grading Protocol

Pre-Assessments Prior To Learning (formal or informal pre-assessments)	0%
Assessment During Learning (skill assessments, warm-ups, quizzes, projects)	25%
Guided, Independent, or Group Practice (classwork, project/performance, homework)	45%
Summative Assessments (formal post-assessment tests, culminating project, final exam)	30%

Student Supports Through Fall 2021 Semester

Students can make up any assignment for a better grade without penalty at any point during the semester.

- Students will not lose credit for any assignment successfully completed.
- Students will be exempt from any assignment not identified as required.
- Tutorial is required for students with 5 or more missing assignments and students with an overall grade of 69/F and below.

FLEX teachers will host virtual during-the-day and after-school tutorial sessions for all students. Students with an average of 69/F and below or more than 5 missing assignments are required to attend tutorial for the assigned course. Teachers will track tutorial attendance using the participant list in Microsoft Teams.

[Daytime Tutorial Schedule](#)

[Evening Tutorial Schedule](#)

Additionally, students can send an email to flex_help@dekalbschoolsga.org.

How can schools help?

Please check with your local schools to see what additional tutorials are available.

Registration - Spring Semester 2022

Please complete your registration as soon as possible.

Registration is open for Spring Semester 2022. Please follow-up with your local schools to determine if your student will continue virtually or return face-to-face.

All parents are asked to complete the Spring Semester survey if you have not already done so. Click the link below to access the survey.

[Spring Semester Survey](#)

We Want to Hear from You

FLEX Academy will host a virtual meeting to discuss updates and next steps. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

You can access the meeting utilizing the following link

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)