

## Online Summer School 2014;

- **Want to earn your credit, but don't want to go to school every day?**
- **Want to work from 1:00 AM to 3:00 AM on a US History class or any time you please?**
- **Need to make up credit in a class or two this summer but have other plans for your summer – maybe a job, vacation, sleep?**
- **Want to take a new class for credit during the summer instead of the regular school year?**

Edmonds School District students (grades 9-12) have the option to take summer school classes online through the Edmonds School District eLearning Program.

### Really Big Summer School News:

*Now you can take classes for new credit, not just credit recovery (classes you have failed). Want to take a health class this summer to get it out of the way? You can do that! Want to take a math refresher class before you start Algebra? You can do that! And more...*

Students may enroll in up to **two classes at a time** and complete the classes at their own pace and time. These classes are mastery based; you only need to complete those portions of the class you have not mastered! (Students complete a pre-test/ diagnostic test for each unit to determine which activities they have mastered and which they need to complete.)

Students who need to make up credit or want to earn new credit have the opportunity to complete, online, Math, English, Science, Health, PE, Art (Music and Art Appreciation), Social Studies, CTE, and Language (French and Spanish) classes (grades 9-12).

We have face to face labs bi-weekly for students to receive help from their teachers.

**Classes are \$200.00 per class and there is a limit of 2 classes per student.**

**Classes start July 7th, 2014 and must be completed by August 14th, 2014.**

**The application process for the Edmonds eLearning Program is a three step process.**

**Step One:**

Make sure this is the right program for you. See back page.

**Step Two:**

Complete the Online Summer School Application. Once we receive your application we will contact you with additional information regarding the required student orientation. Application is located at: <http://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/elearning>.

**Step Three:**

Attend the face-to-face orientation for getting started in the program. This meeting takes 30 - 45 minutes (current students will be allowed to just stop in to receive summer school handout and information and make payment) and is the final step in the process of becoming a student in the Edmonds eLearning Summer School program.

Additional information and the application for the online summer school program are located at <http://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/elearning>

## Is online learning right for me?

Online learning isn't for everyone. And that's fine, because the face-to-face classroom isn't for everyone, textbooks aren't for everyone and computer-based training modules aren't for everyone.

But if you are thinking of taking an online course, you need to consider whether or not you'll be successful as an online learner. Some of the questions you need to ask yourself are obvious, but others not so.

### **Do I have basic computer skills?**

Do you know how to navigate to a web site, to copy and paste from a web page into an email, save a file etc.?

### **Do I have the time to do this? Can I budget my time to do this?**

If you wait until you have time to take an online class you never will get started. You must make time to take the class. We know students who commit the same time each and every day to an online class are most likely to be successful.

### **Am I flexible?**

Web sites crash, files get lost, online things happen and you must be flexible and be "able to go with the flow".

### **Do I ask questions?**

In a face-to-face class I can see when my students don't understand something – the blank stare is a good indicator. Online the only way we know if you need help is if you ask for it. Are you willing and able to ask for help before you get frustrated?

### **Can I communicate in and learn from the written word?**

If you enjoy listening to your teacher lecture or watching a movie to learn then online learning is NOT for you. If you learn well by reading and writing then online learning IS for you.

### **Am I self-motivated?**

No one is going to be looking over your shoulder to make sure you are working and not watching You Tube videos or updating your Facebook page. You need to step up and accept responsibility for working in your online class. After all, it is your credit that you are earning.

### **Do I use email to communicate?**

As old school as it may be we still use email to communicate with students. You will be sending all your work in via email, as well as, asking questions and we will be responding via email. If you don't have and use an email account you cannot "attend" an online school. Need a free account? We recommend Google Mail.

Questions? Contact our eLearning Coordinator

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