

Criteria for Fully-virtual Status

Criterion #1:

A student may request fully-virtual status based on a professional or pre-professional commitment that impedes consistent access to the school campus, thereby potentially affecting their academic success. Students requesting fully-virtual status on this basis must provide a detailed practice, competition, and travel schedule directly to their respective school counselor for review.

Criterion #2:

Homeschooled students residing in New Hanover County may take up to two online courses through NHCS, but must first be fully enrolled in a minimum of two courses at their zoned NHCS school per NHCS BOE Policy (a minimum of two courses), and provide that documentation to their zoned school prior to discussing online options. Homeschooled students enrolled in NHCS for this purpose will be eligible for online courses at no charge. Note that homeschooled students who also participate in athletics must abide by specific eligibility requirements.

Criterion #3:

All health-related (physical, mental, emotional) requests to be fully virtual will be directed to the school level, where the family will be guided through an exploration of options.

There is no guarantee that the fully-virtual option will be granted on the sole basis of completing the process outlined by the school.

The fully-virtual option can be used up to four semesters across the four years of high school.

Previous course selection, future course needs, academic standing, and attendance records will be taken into consideration when reviewing a request for fully-virtual status. Schools should be the first point of contact to discuss the fully-virtual option.