

5.11 Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program Policy

The Governing Board of KC International Academy adopts the following policy effective on that date that the policy is adopted by the Board.

Section 5.11.1 Course Access and Virtual School Enrollment

As required by Missouri statute, any student under the age of twenty-one in grades kindergarten through twelve shall be allowed to enroll in Missouri course access and virtual school program courses of his or her choice as part of the student's annual course load each year or a full-time virtual school option.

Section 5.11.2 Costs

The school shall pay the costs associated with the course or courses if:

- (a) The student is enrolled full-time in and has attended, for at least one semester immediately prior to enrolling in the Missouri course access and virtual school program, a public school except if the student has a documented medical or psychological diagnosis or condition that prevented the student from attending a school in the community the previous semester; and
- (b) The school approves the student's enrollment in a Missouri course access and virtual school program course or courses. If the school disapproves of the student's enrollment, the school shall provide the reason in writing and it shall be for "good cause." "Good cause" is a determination that doing so is not in the best educational interest of the student and shall be consistent with the determination that would be made for such course requested under the process by which a student would enroll in a similar course offered by the school, except that the determination may consider the suitability of virtual courses for the student based on prior participation in virtual courses by the student. An appeal shall be considered under a policy that is substantially similar to the typical process by which appeals would be considered for a student seeking to enroll in courses offered by the school seeking to enroll in courses offered by the school. [*Note: The School can use the same appeal process as long as it is tailored for considerations regarding virtual school as described in this policy.].

Section 5.11.3 Notice of Right to Participate

The school shall inform parents of their child's right to participate in the Missouri course access and virtual school program. There shall be information available in the parent handbook, registration documents and on the school's website.

Section 5.11.4 Payment to Content Provider

The school shall pay the content provider directly on a pro rata monthly basis based on the student's completion of assignments and assessments. The school shall not pay more than the market necessary costs but in no case shall pay more than fourteen percent of the state adequacy target as defined in RSMo 163.011, as calculated at the end of the most recent school year for any single, year-long course and nor more than seven percent of the state adequacy target for any single semester equivalent course.

Section 5.11.5 A+ Students

If a student is a candidate for A+ tuition reimbursement, the school shall attribute no less than ninety-five percent attendance to any such student who completed a virtual course.

Section 5.11.6 Transfer Students

Pursuant to rules to be promulgated by the department of elementary and secondary education, the school shall allow the following:

If a student transfers into the school while enrolled in a Missouri course access and virtual school program course or full time virtual school, the student shall continue to be enrolled in such course or school.

When a student transfers into the school, credits previously gained through successful passage of approved courses under the Missouri course access and virtual school program shall be accepted by the school.

Section 5.11.7 Monitoring Student Progress

The school shall monitor student progress and success, and take into account the department of elementary and secondary education's and provider's recommendations regarding a student's enrollment in the program. The school may terminate or alter the course offering if it is found the course or full-time virtual school is not meeting the educational needs of the students enrolled in the course.

The school shall monitor student progress and success, and course or full-time virtual school quality, and annually provide feedback to the department of elementary and secondary education regarding course quality

