

Online Warriors Frequently Asked Questions

How will hands-on experiments in biology class or a hands-on art class like ceramics be handled at the high school level online?

Any hands-on lab experience will be done virtually. There are many virtual labs that effectively simulate the hands-on experience. An elective art course that requires use of hard-to-replicate materials or resources, like a kiln, may need to be switched to a course that is more in line with being an Online Warrior.

Will students be required to use a school device or can they use one from home?

Using a school device is preferable for our K-10 Online Warriors. The school devices are loaded with apps and features utilized by their teachers and are protected by our school filter. 11-12 Online Warriors are permitted to utilize a device of their choice or rent one from the district.

Will the Mariemont teachers be the same ones my student would have in class in person?

K-6 Online Warriors will have Mariemont teachers, but not necessarily the teachers they would have in class in person. Staffing for these levels depends upon how many students we have enrolled in Online Warriors per grade level. 7-12 Online Warriors will have the teachers they would have in class in person as much as possible.

Will there be tutorials or assistance with navigating SeeSaw (K-4) and Schoology (5-12)?

We will provide SeeSaw and Schoology tutorials and support for Online Warriors and families.

How will specials be handled at each level?

K-6 specials will be optional. Our art, music, physical education, STEM and language specials will create do-at-home videos and activities that would be available online. 7-8 Online Warriors will be able to select an elective course, similar to one they have currently on their schedules, from FuelEducation. 9-12 Online Warriors will be able to select up to two elective courses, similar to those they have currently on their schedules, from FuelEducation. If your child is in band, chorus or orchestra we will make every attempt to allow them to participate virtually.

What is the difference between synchronous and asynchronous learning and how many courses will be synchronous vs. asynchronous?

Synchronous learning is learning in real time, like a live Zoom lesson, and asynchronous learning is learning done on your own time, like reading or working on math problems. All courses will be a combination of both types of learning. The only learning that will be completely asynchronous will be any third-party coursework.

Will the Online Warriors be at the same place in the curriculum as their in-person peers? Will they be behind or ahead if/when they return to in-person?

Our Online Warriors should be pacing at the same rate as their in-person peers in order to ensure that the return to school wouldn't be a challenge. This is another reason why we are looking to have Mariemont teachers teach our Online Warriors at all levels as much as possible.

How long will an Online Warrior be expected to be online each day?

At any level, an Online Warrior is not expected to be online all day. Teachers will work to provide lessons at the beginning of the online time and allow students to log off and work on activities that enhance the learning of the lesson then repeat. The Online Warrior will have to log in multiple times throughout the day. There will be a balance of online and offline work but each Online Warrior should expect to be busy learning for a normal school day.

How much parental/home involvement will be necessary for the Online Warriors program?

Parent and home involvement is important in every aspect of education, whether in person or online. Our youngest Online Warriors will need to have help each day, while our older Online Warriors will only require assistance as needed. The most important thing is to maintain communication with your child's online teacher(s) so we can ensure student success together.

How many of my 7-12 Online Warrior's courses will be taught by a Mariemont teacher vs. a third-party vendor?

We will do everything we can to put Online Warriors with Mariemont teachers in as many of their courses as possible. A third-party vendor will only be used if there is no other option.

What if I don't sign up by August 12 and then change my mind, can we sign up later? Conversely, if I do sign up and then change my mind, am I able to move back to in person?

We would only be able to accommodate a request for a change after August 12th, in either situation, if there would be a way to schedule the student with our staffing model. We know the community wants our teachers to lead the Online Warrior program, which is why we need to know by the 12th in order to do so.

How many courses will my Online Warrior take part in at each level? Can adjustments be made to take more or fewer courses? Will leveled courses, like Honors or AP, be offered?

K-6 Online Warriors will have literacy, math, science and social studies. 7-12 Online Warriors will have the same amount of courses they currently have scheduled as in-person students. Taking more or fewer courses will be determined on a case-by-case basis according to reason and/or credit requirements.

How will we know that we have been enrolled in Online Warriors?

After the registration has closed on August 12th, we will begin to work on the staffing model. You will get a confirmation email from an Online Warrior administrator the week before the school year begins. This email will give you information on device/supply pick up, phase in plans for August 26-28, orientation information and any other information you need to be ready to start on August 31st.