

BLENDED LEARNING GRADE 4-10 PROGRAM

SUMMARY

The Blended Learning Gr. 4-10 program in SD23 is an enriching program with many opportunities for students. The program is a blended model meaning there is both online and onsite components. Students meet their teachers and classmates daily in a virtual classroom and also have opportunities to meet weekly for activities ranging from skiing and sailing to arts and cultural. Our online classroom is a safe place for students to learn and interact with their teacher and their peers

WHO SHOULD CONSIDER THE BL GR.4-10 PROGRAM?

This program is great for students who are academically motivated but are not able to attend a traditional academic setting due to travel, anxiety/health, or athletics. Students who struggle academically can get overwhelmed with the pace of the curriculum. Students should have an adult supervisor at home to both monitor and support. The student must be a BC resident.

WHAT DOES THE SCHEDULE LOOK LIKE?

The typical schedule involves students logging into a virtual classroom each morning to receive a formal lesson. They complete course work outside of this time. There are also many opportunities for students to come into McWilliams to get support and to engage in a variety of hands-on activities such as labs, projects, and robotics, as well as a wide-range of field studies around Kelowna.

Grade 4-6 Schedule:

Grade 4-6 students meet twice a week. During this time, the students and teachers connect and do engaging activities as well as plan out the weekly assignments.

Grade 7-9 Schedule:

**Monday/Wednesday is Math and Science
Tuesday/Thursday is English and Socials**

- **Grade 7 is 9:00-10:00 am**
- **Grade 8 is 10:00-11:00 am**
- **Grade 9 - Group 1 is at 10:00am - 11:00 am)**
- **Grade 9 - Group 2 is at 11:00-12:00 am**

Grade 10 Schedule:

- Semester 1: Math 10, English 10, Planning 10, Applied Digital Communications 11.
- Semester 2: Science 10, Socials 10, Foods 10, PE 10.
- 9:00-11:30 daily

IMPORTANT DETAILS ON FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS?

Can I work at my own pace?

Program is not self-paced. We encourage students to attend all classes and stay current with the material. There is flexibility built into our program to allow students to travel and participate in sports or other pursuits. Our lessons are recorded and students can make arrangements with their teachers for extensions.

Do I have to live in Kelowna to do this program?

No! We have students who travel the world and log in each day with us!

If I am working online, does this mean that I am working all alone?

No! We have a strong focus on building social emotional skills and forming a community of learners. Students don't work in isolation (they work together online and side-by-side during activities). We have 6-8 activities a month that allow students to connect with each other.

Does the family receive funding for PE, Art or other activities?

The program offers a wide-range of experiences for students: lifetime sports, arts and culture, outdoor activities, robotics, coding, project-based learning, volunteering, and more. We cover the costs of all of these activities, there is no costs to the families. We do not offer any financial incentives.

Do I need a fancy computer to work online?

No, you just need a computer and the internet. We have laptops available with a \$500 deposit.

How do I enroll?

We like to do a personal intake meeting with the family and student. Please contact us to discuss space/availability and intake for the Gr.6-10 program.

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