Edgenuity FAQ

The district will allow students to try Edgenuity for 2 weeks before they commit to the program for the remainder of the semester, due to costs/fees, unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Edgenuity Video (Grades 6-12) Edgenuity Slides (grades K-5)

What type of time requirements are there daily for K-5 students using Edgenuity?

Language Arts	60 to 75 minutes daily
Math	45 to 60 minutes daily
Social Studies	30 to 45 minutes daily
Science	30 to 45 minutes daily
Other (Music, Art)	30 to 45 minutes daily, 2-3 times a week

What type of time requirements are there daily for 6-12 students using Edgenuity?

Language Arts	45 to 60minutes daily
Math	45 to 60 minutes daily
Social Studies	45 to 60 minutes daily
Science	45 to 60 minutes daily
Electives	45 to 60 minutes daily per elective

Are there any fees to use Edgenuity? There are no fees to use Edgenuity.

How does Edgenuity compare to the type of online learning we experienced in the spring that basically ended school on-site last year?

Edgenuity will be far more rigorous than what your child (ren) experienced last spring. Students will need to be online daily and be prepared for it to feel more like school on-site in time and duration then it felt last spring.

If parents are wanting to start enrolling now or start their students right away: Over the next few weeks we will be working with the MBAEA to finalize enrollment and the details around Edgenuity. This collaborative partnership will allow us to provide Edgenuity to multiple districts and many students. Please watch for further communication and details.

My child is accelerated may he or she take above grade level classes?

Students will be enrolled in the classes they would have registered for the 20-21 school year onsite. If those were above grade level classes, then yes, that would be an option that should be discussed in consultation with the TAG teacher.

May they take extra classes for additional credit?

Students will not be allowed to take additional classes beyond what they would have enrolled in on-site for the 20-21 school year.

Will Durant/Wilton Teachers have input on the curriculum?

The classes follow a set curriculum that uses national and state standards. Students will receive a sequential curriculum that follows Edgenuity's platform, but may not mirror the Durant/Wilton platform 100%.

If my student is having troubles with the program, may they reach out to Wilton/Durant Teachers for help?

You should contact Jamie Meyer (jamiemeyer@wiltoncsd.org) and he will contact the teacher to reach out to the student. Teachers will have a full load of classes they are teaching on-site daily.

If my student is using Edgenuity but Life Skills is required for graduation. How does that work? The student would need to be enrolled in that class on-site.

May we enroll in Edgenuity during the semester if we started on-site? In consultation with the building principal, options like this will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

May a high school student choose some high school classes online and some on-site? They may only take a class on-site if that class is not offered through Edgenuity.

Do students have to be doing work remotely on a daily basis?

Yes, attendance will be tracked following the district attendance policy. Academically, the system is set up for each student to accomplish a set amount of work daily in each course they are enrolled. This will ensure that core academic standards are met.

How will parents know how their children are doing in online...grades?

A parent email address will be added to each student account. This will generate a weekly email update about grades and progress. Parents can also see the progress their children are making in the student account when they are logged in.

May students return to on-site learning if they want to end the Edgenuity program? Students may return to on-site instruction from remote learning in consultation with the building principal.

If my student is returning to on-site learning, what happens to their current online grades? The remote learning grades will follow the student back to in-person instruction and count towards quarter and semester grades. Attendance will also be tracked online and follow the district attendance policy.

Will my child receive a report card?

At the 7-12 level, your child will receive a report card at the end of each quarter and semester. Grades will be assigned using the grading scale found in the Wilton Jr/Sr High student handbook. A determination has not been made about report cards at the K-6 level.

Will testing take place on-site or virtually through Edgenuity?

Tests will need to be unlocked by the Edgenuity Administrator in the district (Jamie Meyerjamiemeyer@wiltoncsd.org) For K-6, all quizzes, topic/unit and cumulative finals through Edgenuity will be done at home. Parents should proctor the testing to ensure that a student remains on the testing site. For 7-12, all quizzes through Edgenuity will be done at home. Parents should proctor the testing to ensure that a student remains on the testing site. For 7-12, All unit/topic tests and cumulative exams will need to be taken on-site and arranged by contacting Jamie Meyer to proctor the exam for the student.

The FAQ says you have to unlock tests for the students. Can you describe how that process works? The parent or student would contact Jamie Meyer (jamiemeyer@wiltoncsd.org) and then the test will be unlocked.

Are students allowed to participate in athletics 7-12? Yes they will be allowed to participate in athletics.

How does learning online impact student eligibility in athletics 7-12? Students using Edgenuity are held to the same standards as on-site students in regards to grades and how that carries over into athletics.

Are students allowed to participate in the district's Band, Choir, FCS, Art, Industrial Technology? If a specific class is not offered through Edgenuity, a student may enroll in an in-person class on-site.

Will a student be able to complete ISASP testing at home? A determination has not been made in regards to ISASP testing.

Will a student be able to complete FAST testing at home K-6? Arrangements will need to be made with the family to complete the required testing either at school or at an agreed upon location. Please contact Tammy Place-<u>tammyplace@wiltoncsd.org</u>

My child has an IEP. What assistance will the school provide?

For students in K-5, Edgenuity offers virtual teaching services, including services that would cover a child's academic IEP. For students in 6-12, we have not been given guidance on this from our local AEA. Once that has been established, we will update this information.

My child has a speech IEP. Will they have to come to school for sessions or can they be done virtually?

We have not been given guidance on this from our local AEA. Once that has been established, we will update this information.

What is the pacing in the online program like? Are students able to work ahead? The courses are designed with a set amount of work assigned each day. A child may work ahead of that pace.

Will Edgenuity grades be included in the National Honor Society Selection? Yes, the student is enrolled in required online learning instead of being at school. Grades will be placed on their student report card (quarters and semesters) and will count towards GPA, graduation credits, and attendance.

Is PE not part of Edgenuity?

PE is not part of the Edgenuity package of classes. Families will need to sign the PE waiver to ensure the appropriate amount of weekly minutes are covered.

Will Edgenuity follow a block schedule or more like an 7 or 8 period schedule per day? The program is set up to mirror more of a daily 7 or 8 period day than a block schedule.

What is the expectation of a parent's time commitment during a 2nd grader's coursework? And what is the support level required by the parent? For example if a parent is working from home or a child is doing work with a grandparent I'd like to know if that's feasible.

A parent/caregiver of a K-5 student will have to be active in monitoring their child at home to make sure they stay in Edgenuity until completed and not get out into another site.

Is there a tutorial or video that shows what an elementary student's platform will look like? The video online seemed geared towards older students.

As of now, there is no demo available for K-5 from Edgenuity. There is a powerpoint of slides at the top of this document that can be viewed until a demo is ready to share.

When it says attendance will be tracked, are there certain hours that a student is required to be logged in or can it be done at their/the parent's convenience/availability? The expectation is that a child will accomplish work daily. The parent is free to set up their own at home schedule that best sets their family needs.

We are wondering if the kids will have a chromebook to borrow through the school or if we need to purchase them on our own?

The school will provide Chromebooks. If you have connectivity issues, you will need to contact our school technology department for available hotspots.

Does the school sign our kids up, or do we enroll them online?

The school will register students that elect to use Edgenuity instead of attending school on-site. Username and password will be provided as we move closer to the start of the school year.

Does the schooling have to be M-F during school hours or are they able to login and do their schoolwork at available times?

The program is set up to have work completed daily Monday-Friday. The parent is free to set up their own at home schedule that best sets their family needs. Work on the weekends is allowable if a child has missed a day to illness or some other unforeseen family reason.

Do Wilton teachers teach the classes through Edgenuity?

The Wilton teachers are not involved in the teaching of classes through Edgenuity. Edgenuity uses its own teaching staff and programming to carry out the classes students are enrolled.

Does Edgenuity use live teaching?

Edgenuity has pre-recorded all lessons, so no live teaching will take place. Lessons for K-5 are short clips (about 2-4 minutes) followed by some type of activity. This helps keep the student engaged. Lessons for 6-12 are longer in duration.

Will on-site classes be livestreamed so a student can watch from home? Live Streaming of an on-site class will not take place during the school year.

Are we able to start in person and then switch to online if the virus situation gets worse? You would need to consult with the building principal before a switch was made to go online from on-site learning.

Will the level of learning in Edgenuity match what is taught in the classroom in case we return back to in-person instruction?

We can't guarantee that the level of learning will be identical to the classroom. However, the program is built around national and state standards.

Can we split the family as need be, if in-person works best for some kids and online works best for others?

Yes, a family can decide to send certain children to school while keeping others at home using Edgenuity.

If we choose online, can a student still take MCC classes? Yes, all classes through MCC will still be available for those kids that have met the requirements to take those classes.

If we choose online, can a student choose to take AP classes even though they aren't offered in Wilton?

There are AP courses and Honors courses available in Edgenuity. You would need to consult with Mr. Snavely and Mr. Patterson before AP courses or Honors courses were offered as an option.

Since PE isn't included in the online curriculum, what does that mean for our high-school aged children who need PE credits to graduate?

The State of Iowa has used a PE waiver for a number of years to meet the requirements of 120 minutes of physical activity for students at the HS level. Families are able to sign a waiver that says they will provide physical activity for them. This will ensure they receive PE credit.

May my elementary/middle school student still receive books that are read in the classroom in order to stay with the class if we return at semester? Yes, we will work with the families as they are considered our students.

Can my child come to school for pictures if they are online learning? Yes, students will be able to come to school for pictures.

Do I contact his teacher if I have questions? The K-5 version comes with a virtual teacher that will be able to assist you with questions. For 6-12, you would need to reach out to Jamie Meyer (jamiemeyer@wiltoncsd.org) and he will direct you to who to contact.

If my children return for the 2nd semester of classes from Edgenuity to on-site learning, will they still have the same elementary teacher they would have had to start the school year? K-6 students will return to the teacher they should have had to start the school year.

What type of time requirement for homework will my child have through Edgenuity? The daily time requirements per subject include homework.

May the student watch the lesson recordings more than once? Students are able to watch lessons in Edgenuity more than once.

If my family qualifies for free and reduced meal prices at school, does this option exist for families that choose to use Edgenuity at home?

All families that select to use Edgenuity at home are eligible for school meals. Family accounts will be charged the regular school meal price for each meal provided. If you qualify for free and reduced meal prices, those rates will be used for student meals. Families will need to let Terri Denkman know by Friday at 3:00 pm if they want meals for the following week. Families will be able to pick up the meals on Monday between 9:00-10:00 am at one of the offices.

Does the program appropriately gauge where the child is academically and transition them appropriately or is it controlled by a teacher that would have to routinely check their work and manually change goals?

There is a feature in the program called Perspective Testing. When enabled, a diagnostic test is taken at the very beginning of a course, the results of which will automatically customize the course for the student for the rest of the semester.

Will the kids get any type of Zoom/Google Meet sessions with other kids that are also learning remote?

Since students are not assigned to an on-site teacher until they return to on-site learning, students will not have any Zoom/Google Meet sessions with other students.

When the kids eventually transition back to physical classes, will the teachers be able to know where they are at in each subject and appropriately place them based on their knowledge level (ex. Math placement)?

Yes, reports are able to be printed of the work accomplished while using Edgenuity remotely.

Is there a way to do less computer and more paper based learning by logging in and printing work ahead of time?

The way the program is set up, work does get done online. There will be a link made available to families for workbook activities used throughout the program at the K-5 level.