



Fayetteville Christian Online

Why Online
Learning?

Advantages To Online Learning

College & Career Readiness

- Students acquire skills needed to be successful in college and career.

Ability to Move at Individual Pace

- Students can move at an accelerated or extended pace
- Content Mastery

Asynchronous learning

- Anytime, any place students have computer and access to the Internet.

Access to more courses

- 100 core/elective courses
- 12 College Board Approved AP[®] Courses
- Over 200 Dual Credit course through regionally accredited colleges and universities.

Student Skill Development (21st Century Skills)

- Attention to Detail
- Online Communication and Collaboration
- Critical Thinking
- Independent Learning
- Initiative, Self-Direction, Motivation
- Organizational Skills
- Problem Solving and Adaptability
- Productivity and Accountability
- Resourcefulness
- Technology Proficiency
- Time Management

College Preparedness



Acquire skills necessary to achieve success in college.

- More than 2,700 colleges offer online courses.
- Your students will have opportunities to take online courses while in college.

Earn college credit while still in high school.

- College Board approved AP[®] courses.
- Dual credit courses through regionally accredited Christian colleges.

More course options.

- Electives such as :
 - 5 Foreign Languages
 - ACT/SAT Prep

The Journey

Why 21st
Century Skills?

“We are currently preparing students for jobs that don’t exist, using technologies that haven’t been invented in order to solve problems we don’t even know are problems yet.”

Karl Fisch
“Did You Know”

Rise of the **Virtual Workplace**



Setting **Realistic Expectations**

- Online courses are as rigorous or more rigorous than traditional courses.
- Students and parents must understand the time commitment.
- Parents have a role.
- Understanding the role of the instructors.

Online Learning

Engages

Students

- Online, threaded discussions are required to add depth to the learning and create critical thinkers
- Real world examples and websites are used (like NASA) to make learning relevant
- Assessments are done in many ways to ensure true learning
- The Bible, great Christian thinkers and web sites are used to engage students with God's viewpoints

Online **Course** **Catalog**

- Provides view level access to all of the online courses.
- Access to all course content and assignments (doesn't include access to assessments such as quizzes and tests).
- Review required materials, syllabus, sample pace charts for each course.
- Please contact your school's online program coordinator to request instructions relative to accessing the online course catalog.

Christian

Mission

Alignment

- ❑ Online courses with Biblical integration built to teach a Christian worldview and develop critical thinking as followers of Jesus Christ.
- ❑ Courses facilitated by Christian teachers that are subject matter experts.
- ❑ Our desire is to glorify God and encourage students to become leaders as disciples of Christ.
- ❑ Online courses that are rigorous and exceed all national standards and recommendations.

What Christian School Administrators are Saying About Online Learning

"What excites me about online learning is the opportunity to enhance our curriculum and create a more individualized education program for all learners."

- **Lillie McClure**, Harvest Prep

"I'm excited about opportunities students have through online learning, especially for schools in countries where the social situation is not stable or in the regions touched by natural disasters. Students can still be educated through online learning."

- **Vjaceslavs Matvjevs**, International Christian School (HK)

"Online courses allow us to offer a broader spectrum of classes to appeal to a variety of our students' interests."

- **Karen Brooks**, Gaston Christian

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"Our school's partnership with Sevenstar has been tremendous for many reasons. First, Sevenstar has allowed our school to have a rapid expansion of our current course offerings. This expansion benefits students who want to expand, and accelerate, their learning experience, as well as for those who need a level of remediation as they progress through our robust pace. Additionally, Sevenstar has provided a strategy to partner with our non-traditional students taking some of their course requirements at our 'brick and mortar' campus, and the remaining courses online. The bottom-line benefit is that more students have access to biblically-based education."

- **Larry Taylor, Ph.D.**, Head of School,
Prestonwood Christian Academy and PCPlus Virtual Academy

What Students are Saying About Online Learning

- "I want to take an online course because I can move at my own pace. It will help me be able to learn more by being able to move faster and I can adjust it to my schedule when I need to. I can repeat things I don't understand and move faster over things I do understand."
- "I've switched into online school for a multitude of reasons. The most influential being my introversive qualities. I'm determined to complete high school with flashing colors, and online classes help by excluding classroom distractions."
- "School has always come pretty easy to me. I think taking online classes will give me more of a feel for the college experience and help me prepare for that kind of atmosphere, which is my ultimate goal."
- "I am taking online courses because it provides me with a sense of independence. This is crucial for me because it will benefit me in college as it gives me that nature of self learning and discipline."