

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What grades are available at Lakeshore Virtual School (LVS)? Currently, LVS offers programming for grades 6-12.
- If a student graduates from the Lakeshore Virtual School will he/she actually receive a Gibraltar School District diploma based upon and completing the Michigan Merit Curriculum?
 Students completing the LVS graduation requirements receive a fully endorsed Michigan Merit Curriculum Gibraltar School District diploma.
- Are there textbooks that go along with the curriculum?
 No, the instructional programs as well as all course materials are virtually delivered. However, the Edgenuity courses do have online content that is text based with illustrations, much like a textbook.
- Does my student have to take all the classes online?
 Yes, all students enrolled in LVS complete their courses through the online virtual courses.
- Does my student have to ever physically be on campus?
 Yes, students must physically attend and complete any state mandated standardized assessments on the LVS. There will be weekly contacts with a program mentor but these can be achieved without a student physically being on campus.
- 6. Is there a minimum amount of time the student must be online for the program?
 While there is no defined requirement, it is recommended that students work 3-5 hours daily in order to be successful. Keep in mind that the flexibility of anytime/anywhere learning may result in these times being varied for different students and situations.
- 7. What are the graduation requirements for Lakeshore Virtual School?

 Currently LVS requires 18 credits to graduate, following the Michigan Merit Curriculum requirements.
- 8. How does my student take physical education? Lakeshore Virtual School offers physical education courses through Edgenuity in the same manner as other required courses. Topics included fitness, physical health, wellness, conditioning, and some sports and recreation instruction. Yes, you will have to do some activities on your own, but the courses meet the requirements for physical education.
- 9. If a student is having some problems in a subject area, is there help available? LVS students may have daily personal contact with a highly qualified Edgenuity course instructor and an on-demand tutor for each course. In addition, each student will be assigned a district mentor that is available by phone, email, or personal contact.
- 10. Approximately how long does it take to complete one course?
 If focusing on one course at a time, it will take about 3 weeks to complete one course, on average. The time it will take to complete an individual course is dependent on the number of total courses a student is working on at any given time.
- 11. Is an FVA student eligible for district athletic teams or extra-curricular events and clubs? LVS is a completely separate high school within the Gibraltar School District. Students enrolled in LVS will not be eligible for athletics or other events that are available to Carlson High School or Shumate Middle School students.

Additional questions regarding LVS can be answered by contacting Mr. Derek Bezeau, Director of Virtual Learning at 734.379.7092, or lakeshore@gibdist.net