

## Atlanta Virtual Academy Expands Enrollment for Jan. 2022

FAQ Document	
1.	<p>Is there a phone number to call or email address if I have questions? (same for all)</p> <p><b>Parent: 404-802-4282</b> <b>Principal: 404-802-4282</b> <b>Counselor: 404-802-4282</b> <b>Email: <a href="mailto:AVA@apsk12.org">AVA@apsk12.org</a></b></p>
2.	<p>Which students are eligible for enrollment in AVA Re-Opening? <b>Students who reside within APS school zones that have not returned to in-person. (Can reasons be captured for data? health or other concerns)</b> (same for all)</p>
3.	<p>Will my student(s) be able to participate in zoned school activities?</p> <p><b>Students will be concurrently enrolled in their zoned school and the Atlanta Virtual Academy. Students can participate in all extracurricular activities at their zoned schools.</b></p>
4.	<p>Can my student(s) return to in-person if virtual instruction isn't the best setting?</p> <p><b>No this is a semester long commitment. You will not be able to go back to the home school.</b></p>
5.	<p>What is the deadline for applying? <b>The application window is September 15th- Oct 22, 2021</b></p>
6.	<p>What will be the first day of instruction?</p> <p><b>The first day for new AVA students will be determined</b> after assessing parent interest and our ability to provide adequate staffing.</p>
7.	<p>My child needs a computer, what do I do?</p> <p><b>Current PC or Mac computers are required. APS will provide each student a device.</b></p>
8.	<p>My child needs a wi-fi internet device, what do I do? <b>The APS IT department will provide wifi to APS students who need it.</b> (same for all)</p>
9.	<p>My child(ren) <b>have not</b> been in school this year, what will the curriculum look like for them?</p> <p><b>Atlanta Virtual Academy follows the same curriculum as the traditional schools. Teachers will help students acclimate to virtual learning with parent support.</b></p> <p>(same for all)</p>
10.	<p>What are the virtual school hours?</p>

AVA Jr (K-5)	AVA Flex (6-8)	AVA Flex (9-12)
7:45 am-2:45 pm	No designated time	No designated time

- **AVA Direct (K-5) coincides with the district's bell schedule since its instructional model is synchronous instruction (all students receive instruction from a teacher at same time)**
- **AVA Flex (6-12) is accessible 24 hours/day-7 days a week as instruction is asynchronous. Virtual Instructional Specialists are available to assist AVA Flex students during school hours although they can access their course material at any time.**

**Students chosen in the lottery will receive access to a Parent Orientation session for more information about the AVA programs aligned with student grade level.**

11. What does a typical day look like for an ES student?

**Students K-5 will sign on virtually with their teacher for all core content. They have one Specials Rotation each day.  
Lunch is 30 minutes and done off-line with whomever is supervising them at home.  
(same for all)**

12. What classes can an ES student take?

**AVA Jr. offers core content in ELA, Reading, Math, Science, and Social Studies in Grades K-5.**

**We also offer Music, Art, PE, and Media as our Special Rotations.**

**Gifted Services are provided within the teachers classroom, there is no “pull-out” for gifted.  
(same for all)**

**All students also participate in the district-wide intervention/acceleration block.**

14. What is AVA Flex? How is it different from F2F?

- **AVA Flex is being offered for 6–12 grade students.**

- AVA Flex is a full time academic program in which students progress through and complete their course(s) using the pacing calendar within their learning platform. This program is done at the students pace but has fixed deadlines.
- AVA Flex differs from AVA Direct (F2F) in the instructional model (asynchronous vs. synchronous). AVA Flex students access their material via a learning platform accessible to them at any time. AVA Direct students receive instruction on a bell schedule and meet via Zoom classroom facilitated by teachers.
- AVA Flex students receive content help from Virtual Instructional Specialists by appointment during school hours.
- AVA Direct students receive content help from their F2F teacher.

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15. What are the school hours for AVA Flex?

- There are no set school hours for AVA Flex. Students are allowed to set their own daily work schedule. Students must work every day that school is in session, but may choose to work in the morning, afternoon, or evening. Virtual Instructional Specialists are available to assist students during school hours by appointment.
- Lessons and instructional activities are delivered within the learning platform. Students log into the learning platform and access recorded lessons, complete quizzes, tests and assignments everyday. Virtual Instructional Specialists are available during specified hours for course support.

16. What core classes can be taken in AVA Flex?

AVA Flex offers a variety of core content classes at the general level with many also at the honors and AP level. We also offer several CTAE, and World Language options. However AVA Flex does not offer:

**Gifted Classes IB, DE, or DLI courses \*\*\***

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(same for all)

17. Will 9-12 AVA students be given needed courses/credits and be on track for graduation? Zoned school counselors will audit individual transcripts before enrolling students to ensure the courses given are the courses needed. This will include courses needed for credit recovery and initial credit courses.

18. What electives can be taken in AVA Flex? <https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/47931>  
(same for all)

19. How do I enroll a K-5 student in AVA Jr. and AVA Flex 6-12?

<p><b>Applications can submitted online via our website at <a href="http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/atlantavirtualacademy">www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/atlantavirtualacademy</a>. Parents that need assistance can contact (404) 802-4AVA to schedule a virtual or in-person appointment.</b></p>
<p>20. How do I schedule a K-5 student in AVA Jr? (same for all)</p> <p><b>The SIS team will schedule K-5 AVA Jr. students.</b></p>
<p>21. How do I schedule a 6-12 student in AVA Flex? (same for all)</p> <p><b>The zoned home school counselor will use the Genius platform to enroll students into each course during each grading period.</b></p>
<p>22. Are Charter Students eligible for AVA Jr, AVA Direct 6-12 and AVA Flex.? (same for all)</p> <p><b>Yes, charter school students are eligible for the AVA Jr. program. All families will need to follow the application process.</b></p>
<p>23. Will lunch be provided for students who enroll in Atlanta Virtual Academy? <b>No. Lunch is not provided.</b></p>
<p>24. Can Special Education students attend AVA Jr? (same for all)</p> <p><b>Yes. Interested families will need to have an IEP with their home school team and AVA personnel.</b></p>
<p>25. Can Special Education students attend AVA Flex? (same for all)</p> <p><b>Yes. However, if you choose this model this may impact the accommodations that can be offered. An IEP meeting will need to be scheduled to determine if this model is appropriate to meet students' needs.</b></p>
<p>26. What if a child is not enrolled in school?</p> <p><b>You will need to enroll your student at your zoned school. Zoned schools and AVA must be made aware when students have moved outside of APS district. Students will need to be withdrawn from their school and any APS equipment returned.</b></p>
<p>27. What if my student lives outside of Atlanta?</p> <p><b>Only students who meet enrollment requirements for Atlanta Public Schools may enroll in this program. Students must be currently enrolled in an APS school and AVA. (same for all)</b></p>
<p>28. Will there be zoom sessions for parents to ask questions? September 22nd at 6:00 p.m. September 29th at 6:00 p.m. October 5th at 6:00 p.m. October 12th at 6:00 p.m. October 19th at 6:00 p.m.</p>

Spanish Parental Sessions:  
**September 22nd at 8:00 p.m.**  
**September 29th at 8:00 p.m.**  
**October 5th at 8:00 p.m.**  
**October 12th at 8:00 p.m.**  
**October 19th at 8:00 p.m.**

29. What are the actual priorities for registration?

**Priority 1: APS neighborhood students not enrolled in an APS school and want a virtual learning option.**

**Priority 2: APS students who are determined to be medically fragile with a signed form from their physician.**

**Priority 3: APS neighborhood students currently enrolled in their APS school but want to transition into virtual learning.**

**Priority 4: Charter schools student who want a virtual option**

(same for all)

30. Will there be a lottery for seats? If so, when will it be?

**If the number of applications for a given grade level exceeds the number of available spaces, a random lottery will be conducted to provide each interested student with an equal chance to be admitted.**

**Tentative Lottery Date: November 5, 2021**

31. When will I know if my child has been accepted?

**You will receive an email, text and/or robo-call beginning on November 9th if you are selected in the lottery.**

(same for all)

32. Can my high school student still participate in Dual Enrollment?

**Yes, high school students are able to participate in Dual Enrollment and in AVA courses.**

33. Do we know the number of seats that will be available after the application window closes on October 22?

**No. We will communicate to all families who completed an application the number of seats for each grade level after the application closes and before we launch the lottery.**