



SY20-21 Instructional Models

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APS Face-to-Face Model

Face-To-Face Features

Receive face-to-face lessons
Students and teachers use personal protective equipment

K-12 students attend school during standard school hours
Uses technology to enhance face-to-face instruction

Traveling To/From School

- Masks will be required on buses
- Parents able to transport their students should do so
- Buses will be cleaned twice daily

What to Expect: Inside the Classroom

- Students and employees will be required to wear masks/PPE
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available in each classroom.
- Students will be seated in a socially distant layout in classrooms with all chairs, desks and other workstations 3 to 6 feet apart.

What to Expect: During a Lesson

- All students and teachers will use their own instructional supplies and laptop/tablet.
- All classroom teachers will have access to an interactive whiteboard.
- All classroom teachers and students will have access to MyBackpack, Gsuite, Zoom, and other instructional technology supports.
- Paperless means of assigning tasks will drive academic engagement.

Additional Supports in addition to face-to-face lessons

- Real-time support and progress monitoring
- Tutoring
- Student mental health services
- Associated services for exceptional student education

Best for Families Who:

- Feel comfortable sending their student(s) back to school
- Have students who can attend school physically during traditional hours

Best for Students Who:

- Were less successful with distance learning in the spring
- Need face-to-face, physical interaction with teachers and students
- Are more comfortable with face-to-face reinforcement and support

- The **APS Face-to-Face Model** is designed for families who feel comfortable with returning their students to a face-to-face, in-school environment. It provides the opportunity for students to return to campus and interact directly – but safely – with their teachers and classmates.

APS Site-Based Virtual Model

The APS Site-Based Virtual Model provides the opportunity for students to continue to learn at home while remaining enrolled and taught by a teacher at their home school.

This model is designed for families who don't feel comfortable sending their children back to school but ultimately plan to rejoin their enrolled school in the future. Based on the number of parents who choose this option, the local school will work to provide a virtual option for students.

Site-Based Virtual Features

- Driven by the local school
- Keeps the student connected to the local school
- Easily transferrable to face-to-face

What to Expect for Instruction

- Student Logs in to receive instruction taught by a teacher at their home school on the following days (**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**)
- Instruction on **Wednesday** that serves as an intervention day and/or academic support for individual students

Additional Supports

- Online tutorial support
- Intervention as needed for social/emotional supports
- Access to teachers during established office hours

Best for Families Who:

- Would like to maintain their connection to their enrolled school
- Can have students available online during traditional school hours

Best for Students Who:

- Thrive through continued relationships with their home school

APS Atlanta Virtual Academy (AVA) Model

The APS Atlanta Virtual Academy offers learning anytime and anywhere. It is a flexible and customized learning model that supports students' unique, individual needs, while satisfying state requirements for completion. This model is designed for families who wish to remain in the virtual environment regardless of shifts in delivery models at the local school.

Features of Virtual Learning in AVA

- **AVAJr.** - AVA Jr. content is aligned with Georgia Standards and taught by certified Atlanta Public Schools (APS) teachers who provide instruction and are available with real time support. Engaging instruction is delivered via live online interactive lessons.
- **AVA** - Middle and High School students will have an assigned teacher per course. Students will complete engaging, rigorous and self-paced lessons and have the option to attend live daily virtual lessons.

What to Expect for Instruction

- Students log in to receive daily instruction from a certified Atlanta Virtual Academy teacher instruction occurs (**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday**)
- During class time students are able to meet virtually with classmates, participate in activities, and build relationships with their teachers and peers.

Additional Supports

- Online tutorial support
- Intervention as needed for social/emotional supports
- Access to teachers during live instruction and established office hours

Best for Families Who:

- Can commit to virtual learning for the remainder of the semester

Best for Students Who:

- Work well and thrive in a virtual environment