**ONLINE INSTRUCTION** *Policy Code:* **3102**

The board recognizes that online instruction is a valuable tool for affording scholars extended educational options. The board will provide opportunities for scholars to participate in online instruction to the extent that it is academically and financially prudent.

School guidance counselors shall advise scholars on North Carolina Virtual Public School courses and other online courses available for credit. Enrollment in an online for credit course will count toward satisfying board requirements related to minimum instructional days, seat time policies, scholar attendance, and athletic and/or extracurricular obligations.

A scholar, with the prior approval of the principal of designee, may enroll in an online course with assistance of the instructional facilitators. The principal shall designate personnel at the school to serve as the instructional facilitators, who will be responsible for coordinating the enrollment of scholars in online courses, monitoring scholars’ progress in those courses, and supervising any required testing. In addition, the principal shall ensure that the e-learning advisor implements a plan for supporting credit recovery scholars throughout the semester.

The principal shall develop regulations consistent with State Board of Education requirements and this policy for scholars enrolling in online instruction.

**B. Remote Learning**

When warranted by exigent circumstances and where authorized by law, NERSBA may conduct classes remotely for all or part of a school year.  Board policies remain in effect during periods of remote learning, except that the board reserves the right to deviate from any policy when adherence is impossible or impractical under the circumstances and the deviation is not inconsistent with law.  To the extent practicable or when required by law, affected employees, students, and parents or guardians will be notified of the change in advance.

Legal References: ~~S.L. 2017-173~~, [G.S. 115C-238.85](http://redirector.microscribepub.com/?cat=stat&loc=nc&id=115c&spec=238.85); State Board of Education Policy CCRE-001

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