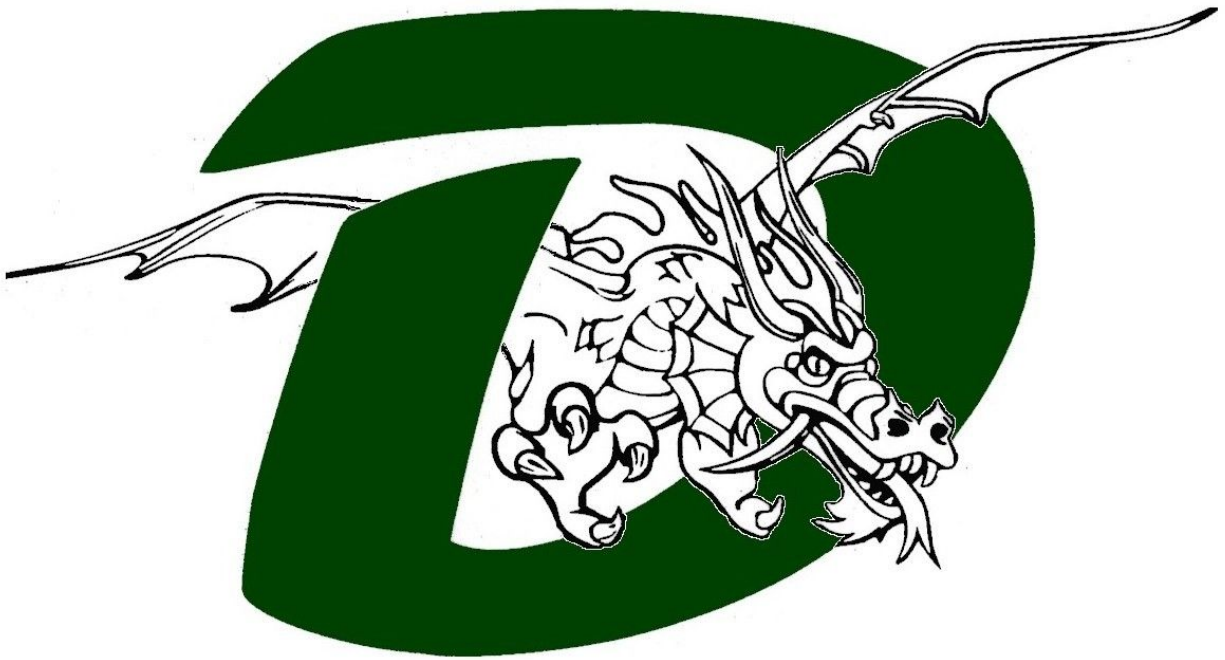


MISSOURI COURSE ACCESS PROGRAM



**THE DE SOTO SCHOOL DISTRICT USES LAUNCH AS ITS
MOCAP PLATFORM TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH VIRTUAL
LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Formerly called MoVIP, the Missouri Course Access Program (MOCAP) provides a catalog of online courses. MOCAP students are guided through courses by Missouri-certified teachers. Courses are delivered over the Internet. MOCAP's mission is to offer Missouri students equal access to a wide range of high-quality courses, flexibility in scheduling, and interactive online learning that is neither time nor place dependent.

MOCAP is not a school and does not offer a complete high school diploma program. Instead, they offer courses that will be applied to the student's transcript at the local school toward graduation. Successful MOCAP students will graduate with a high school diploma from the local school. Many schools distinguish MOCAP courses on a student's transcript by putting an asterisk next to them.

BENEFITS OF MOCAP

- Expands the range of courses and opportunities offered to students
- Offers courses for students where there are no qualified teachers to teach the course
- Offers students a course not offered by their school district
- Provides courses for students who have schedules that prevent them from taking a course when it is offered
- Present high-quality instruction to students who are in alternative education settings or on home and hospital instruction
- Provides additional support and extended time to students who failed to achieve in regular courses
- Provides equity across programs and school in the quality of instruction MOCAP offers "any time, any place" learning for Missouri students

PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

- The De Soto School District uses the Launch virtual program.
- Students interested in taking a MOCAP course at De Soto School District must have attended a public school district at least one semester prior to this request and must be registered as a De Soto student while completing these courses.
- Students must register during the same registration window that we register students for the regular school year.
- Students will be allowed to enroll in MOCAP courses only if it is determined by the principal, in conjunction with the assistant superintendent, school counselor, and/or IEP team, that this is in the best educational interest of the student. If it is determined that this is not the best educational option for this student, they will be denied enrollment. The student and his/her guardian have the option to appeal to the board of education for reconsideration.
- Students must continue to make adequate progress in the course, or they will be dropped from the course and credit will not be granted. Progress checks will be made by the assistant superintendent at one-fourth, one-half, and three-fourths of the way through the semester.
- Students taking more than two courses must have an individualized learning plan (Individual Career and Academic Plan) to be created in partnership with their grade-level counselor.
- **If a student fails a virtual course, they cannot enroll in any other virtual courses.**

LOGISTICS

- We do not provide internet access for courses taken off-campus.
- We will provide a chromebook. We will provide connectivity technical support while the student is on campus, but we will not provide technical support for the use of the learning management system used by the virtual course provider.
- Full-time students wanting to participate in a virtual course will be assigned a study hall in their schedule and will complete their coursework during this period.
- Students needing assistance in these virtual courses will contact the online teacher through the course provider for this support.
- The district will not pay for classes that then cause the student to exceed a normal 7-period school day. Students are welcome to take these outside of school hours at their own expense.
- All graduation policies regarding credit requirements and acquisition still apply. (See PR 2525 on the district webpage.)
- All policies regarding extra curricular participation still apply. (See PR 2921 on the district webpage.)
- Students taking the following courses online will be required to complete required state and local assessments on the scheduled dates:
 - English Language Arts and Math- GLA 3-8 grades
 - Science - GLA 5, 8 grades
 - Algebra I- Algebra I End of Course Exam (EOC)
 - Biology- Biology End of Course Exam (EOC)
 - English II- English II End of Course Exam (EOC)
 - Government- Government End of Course Exam (EOC); Constitution Tests (offered on campus)
 - American History- Civics Test (offered on campus)
- Students wishing to enroll must complete the enrollment form and turn it into the counseling center.
- For more information, you can contact Doréan Dow, Assistant Superintendent, at 636-586-1000.

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MOCAP ENROLLMENT REQUEST

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Name of Course(s) you would like to take:

Please provide a writing sample by sharing why you would like to participate in MOCAP. What goals do you think MOCAP courses will help you achieve? (Please staple your typed submission to this sheet.)

Assurances: I understand that this is a virtual course that I am ultimately responsible for completing independently. I have read and understand the MOCAP Enrollment Procedures and Participation Guidelines on the district webpage and agree to comply with these guidelines.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____