



Kindergarten to Grade 7 Blended Learning Program

Meet 2-days per week Mondays and Tuesdays or Thursdays and Fridays

Our Kindergarten to Grade 7 Program is based around a blended learning model. Students in K to Grade 7 are part of one of two 2-day cohorts. This means students attend classes on site as part of a cohort on either Mondays and Tuesdays or Thursdays and Fridays (from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM) as well as complete some of their learning at home. Learning plans are created in meetings between the teacher, parents and students in September outlining work to be completed throughout the term. Student work is submitted each week. Parents and students also meet with teachers during each reporting period to discuss student progress and set directions for the following term.

Optional Wednesday Learning (OWL). On Wednesdays throughout the year we will have optional activities for students such as field trips, tutorials, science labs, and workshops for parents. A schedule of the upcoming activities will be developed and posted in advance.

Grade 1 to 9 Online Program

Students wishing to do their studies at home may do so as part of this new online program

Grade 1 to 9 parents who are interested in having their students take part in schooling at home, with teacher support, may do so as part of an online program that has been approved for the 2020/21 school year. This program will have students placed in multi-grade groupings, working on level appropriate curriculum. Teachers will be available for one or two mornings a week to connect with parents and students, with the majority of work supported by the parent at home. Microsoft Teams and MyBluePrint will be utilized for grade 1 to 5 students, with Teams and Moodle classes being offered for grade 6 to 9 students. All work will be submitted online through these platforms and assessed by the teacher.

Please note:

- Once enrolled, we cannot guarantee space at a student's previous school, or in U-Connect's blended program.
- Due to the hands-on curriculum, we are unable to offer an online Kindergarten option at this time.
- We are unable to offer individual courses at the grade 8 and 9 level as part of this program.
- If enrolling in an online program, students will not have access to any U-Connect OWLS.

Grade 8 and 9 Blended Learning Program

Students in Grade 8 and 9 will meet 2-day per week on Mondays and Tuesdays.

Our Grade 8/9 program is a blended learning model. Students will learn their course content through both online courses and face-to-face classes that will happen on site. Face-to-face classes will occur on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. There will be two semesters: September to January and February to June. During the morning students will have regular blocks of Math, Science, Socials and English along with other subjects – such as French and Physical Health Education. These classes may take the form of tutorials, labs, lessons, etc. Students will continue to work on their online courses from home during the week. Assignments can be submitted online. Students will have teacher-support during the week via email and course messaging.

Monday and Tuesday afternoons, students will be learning the fundamentals of Design Thinking in the afternoon. This involves lots of hands-on learning and opportunities to work in various areas of the Art and ADST (Applied Design Skills and Technology) Curriculum such as robotics, woodworking, textiles, entrepreneurialism etc. These courses will also have an online component.

Optional Wednesday Learning (OWL). There will be an optional day for Grade 8 & 9 on Wednesdays. On Wednesdays throughout the year we will have optional activities for students such as field trips, tutorials, science labs, and workshops for parents. A schedule of the upcoming activities will be developed and posted in advance.

Grade 10, 11 and 12 Program

We are happy to offer three options for Grade 10-12:

GRADE 10-12 BLENDED Cohort (Courses delivered online and face-to-face)

- Students will learn their course content through both online courses and face-to-face classes.
- 2 Semesters: September to January and February to June
- Students will attend school on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM.
 - Mornings: students will have face-to-face classes. Courses will also have an online component. Students will continue to work on their online courses from home during the week. Assignments can be submitted online. Students will have teacher-support during the week via email or course messaging.
 - Afternoons: students will choose a Pathway. Each pathway is the equivalent of 2 courses (8 credits) one per semester.
- Pathways: Students will choose one pathway for the year:
 - Art OR
 - Inquiry OR
 - Technology
- Minimum of 4 courses per semester (including Pathways)
- There will be an optional day for the Blended 10-12 Program on Wednesdays. On Wednesdays throughout the year we will have optional activities for students such as field trips, tutorials, science labs, and workshops for parents. A schedule of the upcoming activities will be made available.
- All students are loaned a Dell Laptop to use for their learning while they are students of U-Connect.

GRADE 10-12 BLENDED MORNING Cohort (Courses delivered online and face-to-face)

- Students will learn their course content through both online courses and face-to-face classes.
- 2 Semesters: September to January and February to June
- Students will attend school on Monday and Tuesday mornings only from 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM
 - Students will have face-to-face classes each morning. Courses will also have an online component. Students will continue to work on their online courses from home during the week. Assignments can be submitted online. Students will have teacher-support during the week via email.
- Minimum of 3 courses per semester.
- There will be an optional day for the Blended 10-12 Program on Wednesdays. On Wednesdays throughout the year we will have optional activities for students such as field trips, tutorials, science labs, and workshops for parents. A schedule of the upcoming activities will be available.
- All students are loaned a Dell Laptop to use for their learning while they are students of U-Connect.

GRADE 10-12 ONLINE Cohort (Courses delivered online)

- All courses taught online – no required days in school (except to write exams). Flexible and self-paced. Full or part-time options.
- Online students are welcome to attend tutorials on Wednesday mornings which are scheduled about twice a month.

Grade 10-12 BLENDED Cohort	Grade 10-12 BLENDED MORNING Cohort	Grade 10-12 ONLINE Cohort
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time students (8 U-Connect Courses) • Online Courses • Face to Face classes on Mondays & Tuesdays • Blended Pathways (Monday/Tuesday PM): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Inquiry ○ Art ○ Technology • Optional activities on Wednesdays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Field Trips, Tutorials, Workshops • 1:1 technology access for Grade 8-12: Dell Laptop Loaned for Student use (in Gr 8 until end of Gr 12) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part-time students • Online Courses • Face to Face classes on Mondays & Tuesday mornings • Inquiry Projects (Monday/Tuesday PM) • Optional activities on Wednesdays <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Field Trips, Tutorials, Workshops • 1:1 technology access for Grade 8-12: Dell Laptop loaned out for student use (in Gr 8 until end of Gr 12) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time or part-time students • Online Courses • No F2F (except to write exams) • Self-paced courses • Students “Active” in 4+ courses get access to optional Wednesday tutorials.