

DEADLINE TO ENROLL IN FULL DISTANCE LEARNING IS JANUARY 8

OPT OUT OF HYBRID EDUCATIONAL FORMAT SECOND SEMESTER

AT RENO HIGH SCHOOL

By signing this form, I understand that I am **opting out** of the hybrid educational format at Reno High School (Hybrid format meaning A/B Team, students attend every other day for direct instruction with teachers, while the off days, they remain at home). Regardless of the date I enroll in full distance learning, I will be required to complete all six classes by the end of the second semester (June 7). No exceptions.

I understand that the full distance learning option that the school district has provided for me is the Edgenuity online program and will be done independently at home. Any second semester classes that may have been scheduled with a teacher will be dropped. Attending Reno High school for any class that is not offered through Edgenuity is **not** an option this year. **Additionally, I will only be scheduled in an Edgenuity honors or AP class if I was enrolled in an honors or AP class during first semester and successfully completed this class.** Please note not all AP and honors classes offered at RHS are offered on Edgenuity.

There are three Edgenuity support teachers who monitor attendance and progress. Below you will find the full distance learning teacher contact information and general information about Edgenuity.

ENGLISH/SCIENCE SUPPORT

Ms. Hamlin: Kristina.Hamlin@washoeschools.net

MATH/CAREERS/PE/HEALTH SUPPORT

TBD (when announced it will be posted to the RHS Counseling Website under "Full Distance Learning")

SOCIAL STUDIES/WORLD LANGUAGE/P. FINANCE/ECONOMICS SUPPORT

Ms. Masso: Shala.Masso@washoeschools.net

ATTENDANCE MONITORING

LAST NAMES A-F: Ms. Hamlin

LAST NAME G-N: TBD

LAST NAMES O-Z: Ms. Masso

Edgenuity is a credit accrual courseware that is designed to provide a rigorous, full curriculum for secondary students. For the pandemic considerations, the student will be able to auto-progress through the course without the need of a teacher to unlock various activities. Edgenuity courseware is rigorous, aligned to NVACS, accredited, and geared towards autonomous learning for the student.

I understand students can utilize outside resources to support their learning in mastering concepts (Google, YouTube, Khan Academy, College Board, etc.). There are videos to go with lessons- students are expected to take notes during the lessons and can use those hand written notes for exams; transcripts of the lessons; a glossary available for students to use; and students can move through the course at their own pace but there are expectations for daily monitoring. The student must demonstrate progress each day to be considered in attendance. This monitoring is provided by three distance learning teachers (see above). Students are not assigned to a current RHS teacher in any specific subject. RHS Teachers will be continuing to work with students that have chosen the hybrid model and are physically attending school.

The courses for core classes are aligned with District standards and have been coordinated with the District Curriculum & Instruction. The only honor classes available are: English 1-2, English 3-4, Biology, Chemistry, Physics 1 [which is currently an AP class offered at RHS], Geometry, Algebra 2, and Trig/Precal.

Curriculum & Instruction Office has advised there are a few courses that are not advised for distance education. Those courses include World Languages.

Information regarding NCAA requirements and Edgenuity courses can be found at <https://www.washoeschools.net/Page/14335>

If the student/family elects fulltime distance education, they will need to dedicate their attention to distance education/Edgenuity for the **FULL SEMESTER**. (Transitioning a student from credit accrual courseware back to the classroom can be problematic mid-term and is not an option).

**** Reno Red House Project Students-** I understand that my commitment to the program is to complete 3 full years in the *same* track. By attending Distance Learning, taking an RHP class this school year is not an option. If I am a Senior, and still in need of my third year, I understand that I will not be a state completer. If I am an underclassman, I will opt to take a Gap year in RHP and will resume my track in the following full school year that I am enrolled. There is no option to attend Reno High School for just my RHP class.

I have read and understand the "Edgenuity Information" reference sheet provided with this contract.

Student name: _____ **GRADE:** _____

(PLEASE PRINT STUDENT NAME)

Student Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____

Parent email address (REQUIRED): _____

Parent contact number (REQUIRED): _____

Student email address (REQUIRED): _____

Student cell phone (REQUIRED): _____

Counselor: _____

Counselor Contact Information- assignments by last name:

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Craig Lemons- A, B, D, E, K, N CLemons@washoeschools.net

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Keep the first page of this contract as well as the "Edgenuity Information" reference sheet

ONLY RETURN THE SIGNATURE PAGE

STUDENT/FAMILY: KEEP THIS REFERENCE PAGE

****IMPORTANT** Edgenuity Information Spring 2021**

Edgenuity Log-In

Students log into Edgenuity through the WCSD website. There are hyperlinks located on the WCSD main page as well as the RHS website. Students should log in with the same username and password that they use to access a WCSD computer. There is a password reset hyperlink on the RHS website if a student has forgotten their password. Google Chrome is the best browser for logging into Edgenuity. If students have any technology issues that prevent them from logging in or working on assignments, they should contact their distance learning teacher right away for assistance. Please do not wait to reach out about technology constraints or log-in issues.

Attendance

To be counted present each school day, students need to log into Edgenuity before midnight, **Monday through Friday**. Attendance is not taken on weekends or school holidays.

Distance Learning TEAMS

Every full distance student will be added to a Distance Learning TEAM based on the student's last name. This is where important information and updates will be shared. Online AP textbook resources can also be found on TEAMS under the "Files" section. **Students should log into TEAMS at least once-a-week to check for updates.**

Succeeding in Edgenuity

Edgenuity courses are self-paced and self-directed. Students must be motivated and exhibit excellent time management skills to successfully complete the courses. They should set regular, dedicated time to working on classes each school day. A regular accrual course requires 40-60 total hours to complete in a semester. Most honors courses require 80 hours of work and AP-level courses require 140-180 hours. The progress report shows a "Daily Goal", which is the amount of time that a student needs to work on that course every school day (M-F) to complete it by the end of the semester. Working for only a few hours a day on Edgenuity will NOT afford enough time to complete the courses.

It is also important for students to be actively engaged in the material while watching the class videos. They need to focus on the material and take detailed notes. If students try to play the class videos in the background or multitask, it will be difficult for them to grasp the content and pass the quizzes and exams. Edgenuity tests are challenging. Students are allowed to use handwritten notes while taking their tests, so the better notes they take, the greater likelihood that they will score well on their tests. Students are allowed to attempt a test three times to earn a passing grade, which is 60%.

Assignments

Students need to put forth their best effort on all assignments. Written assignments are graded by teachers, not the computer. Turning in a blank study guide or a document not related to the course will result in an automatic grade of zero on that assignment. Students are encouraged to write and save their answers in a Microsoft Word document and

then cut and paste the individual answers into the Edgenuity assignment. This will give students a backup copy of their written work and also enable them to spellcheck their work and check for grammar and punctuation, which is factored into grading. Students may also submit assignments using Power Point or they can take a picture of their work and submit it as a JPEG. **ZIP Drives can NOT be opened.**

If a student has a question about a particular assignment, they need to include the name of the course, unit, and assignment title when they email their distance learning teachers about it. The teachers cannot locate the assignment in question without this information.

Deadlines

Edgenuity builds “deadlines” into each unit/assignment. These are NOT hard and fast deadlines. They simply serve as recommended guidelines for helping students stay on track with the courses. Please do not let these arbitrary deadlines become a source of stress. It is more important to keep track of a student’s “Daily Goals” and percentage progress, not the assignment deadlines.

Progress

It is imperative for students and parents to check progress in Edgenuity on a regular basis. The “Daily Goals” show how much time a student needs to be working in that course each school day. The percentages show how much of the course should be completed as of a certain date and the “Est. Time Remaining” is how many hours are left to complete the course. Edgenuity generates a weekly progress report to parents every Monday afternoon. Additional progress and tracking tools are available through the Edgenuity Family Portal: <https://auth.edgenuity.com/Login/Login/Family>.

Please email your student’s guidance counselor or distance learning teacher to request your personal activation code to use this useful progress tracking tool.

Important Dates & Grading

All Edgenuity coursework must be completed by **May 28, 2021** and final exams by **June 4, 2020**. Students may take finals anytime between May 29 – June 4, 2021, or whenever they finish a course before May 28th. There is no penalty for finishing a course early. In fact, it is encouraged. As soon as a student completes a course in its entirety, they can take the final. In order to pass a course, students need to earn a combined average grade of **60%** on all assignments, projects, quizzes, unit tests, and the final exam.

Distance Learning Teachers

The RHS distance learning teachers grade and unlock assignments and respond to questions and emails during regular school days Monday-Friday 7:40 am–2:30 pm. If a student is waiting for an assignment to be unlocked or graded outside of school hours, they should work on other courses. If a student or parent has any questions or concerns, please email the student’s distance learning teacher:

<u>Student’s Last Name</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
A-F	Ms. Kristina Hamlin	Kristina.Hamlin@washoeschools.net
G-N	TBD	
O-Z	Ms. Shala Masso	Shala.Masso@washoeschools.net