



January Newsletter Office of Curriculum & Instruction

Rural Virtual Academy Application Window Will Open February 3, 2025

The virtual school enrollment window for the 2025-26 school year will open on February 3rd and close on April 30th, 2025. SDWD families who might be interested in having children attend school virtually full time during the 2025-26 school year will be able to enroll in Rural Virtual School (RVA). SDWD and RVA have a partnership for virtual students. Students stay enrolled in SDWD but attend school virtually through RVA. If this is something you might be interested in for 2025-26 we encourage you to follow the link at the bottom of this page to get more information on RVA.

What Are The Benefits of RVA?

RVA is a charter school through the Medford School District. RVA is a PK-12 virtual school with high expectations for students. Each student has a daily schedule and attendance is expected. The daily schedule typically includes multiple chunks of live virtual instruction and then independent learning time. The SDWD and RVA partnership includes the following benefits:

- Students are able to stay enrolled in their home district of the SDWD. Although they reside SDWD, students attend RVA but do not have to open enroll into another district. This partnership is what separates RVA from other virtual schools.
- Because students are still enrolled SDWD, they can participate in activities and athletics here.
- Students are able to take some classes face-to-face while being enrolled in RVA fulltime virtually. Tech Ed or Music Courses are an example of this.
- SDWD has a “Learning Center” in WDHS for fulltime virtual students to come in and work on RVA and receive support from SDWD staff.
- Needed technology is provided by RVA for fulltime virtual students.
- Students can still earn an SDWD diploma upon graduation from high school.

Again, if you are interested in enrolling for 2025-26, registration will go live on February 3rd but for now, please follow the link below for more information on RVA:

[Rural Virtual Academy](#)