

Monroe City R-1 School District FAQs for Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program (MOCAP)

In accordance with SB 603, students who have been enrolled full time in a public or charter school for at least one semester immediately prior may enroll part-time or full-time in the Missouri Course Access and Virtual School Program (MOCAP). Enrollment must be approved by Monroe City R-1 School District.

Any student that has been enrolled as a full-time student within the Monroe City R-1 School District for at least one semester is eligible to request MOCAP courses. The student may also be eligible if documented medical or psychological conditions have prevented public school attendance in the previous semester.

Monroe City R-1 School District is responsible for determining the eligibility of each individual student. The District may determine it is not in the best educational interest of a student to take the MOCAP course. The Monroe City R-1 Board of Education believes that when the preponderance of factors is equal, in-person and on-site instruction provides an advantage that is in the best interest of students. Some examples of why virtual instruction option might not serve the best educational interest of the student may include:

- Requested course is already offered at Monroe City R-1 School District
- Student has not been a full-time student in Monroe City R-1 School District
- Student has been enrolled in a public or charter school for less than one full semester
- Student has not taken and/or passed prerequisite courses
 - The requested MOCAP course does not count towards Sturgeon High School graduation requirements
 - The course requested would cause the student to exceed the normal course load for the given semester
- The student is requesting a course to accelerate their graduation date
- The student has not demonstrated success in previous online courses
- The content of the course requires in person or on-site instruction
- The student has a history of poor attendance
- The student has not demonstrated adequate ability to work independently

If a course request is denied the student and parent/guardian will receive in writing the reasons for the denial. The student or parent/guardian can then appeal to the Board of Education who will release their decision in writing within 30 calendars days.

It is the responsibility of virtual instruction vendors to provide accommodations for students with 504 plans or IEPs. Should a student's 504 plan or IEP call for special equipment or internet access, then the District will provide this support as outlined.

In order for students to maintain MSHSAA eligibility, all academic, social, and citizenship eligibility standards must continue to be met.

The cost of approved virtual courses will be paid by Monroe City R-1 School District. In addition, the District will monitor student progress and if adequate progress is not made, the District retains the option to cancel the course and return the student to on-site courses.

Time, space, and computer/resource access required to complete MOCAP coursework is the responsibility of the student. Instructional support for all MOCAP courses is the responsibility of the selected course vendor.

Request to Enroll in Virtual Course(s) Through MOCAP

Student or Parent/Guardian: Please complete this side and then submit it to your counselor with class enrollment materials.

Date
Submitted: _____

Semester for
Enrollment: _____

Name of
Student: _____

Student
Number: _____

Name of Online Course # Credits Name of Online Course Provider*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8

*Parent/guardian/student: Monroe City R-1 will use Odesseyware for these services

Parent/student **please initial ALL of the following to indicate that you have read and understand them:**

_____ I understand that Monroe City R-1 Schools is not required to provide access to computers, the Internet or other necessary technology resources to students choosing to take a MOCAP course;

_____ I understand that Monroe City R-1 is not required to provide a supervised location for students taking a MOCAP course to work on their course during the school day;

_____ I understand that in order to be successful in an online course, a student must have good computer skills, time-management skills, persistence, and good written communication skills;

_____ I understand that all Monroe City R-1 Online courses--including MOCAP courses--follow the same school calendar as in-seat courses. Students enrolled in MOCAP courses are expected to complete all course requirements by the end of the semester as stated on the Monroe City R-1 school calendar;

_____ I understand that students who enroll in MOCAP courses are expected to actively participate in those courses with the goal of completing the course. If a student does not actively participate in a course or is not successful in a course, the district may remove the student from the MOCAP course and refuse to enroll the student in a MOCAP course in the future;

_____ I understand that if I take a MOCAP course, the virtual provider, not the Monroe City R-1, will monitor and provide accommodations specified in my student's IEP or 504 plan and/or ELL support;

_____ I understand that I am responsible for understanding how my educational choices, including my decision to take a MOCAP course, may impact my MSHSAA eligibility.

Counselors please complete the following:

Counselor

Name: _____

_____ Student has attended a public school or charter school for at least one full semester immediately prior to the request.

School Name: _____

_____ Student resides in the district and is enrolled as a full-time student in the district;

_____ Course prerequisite courses have been completed;

_____ Course request meets Monroe City R-1 graduation requirements or promote life readiness;

_____ Student is not carrying the maximum academic load for the semester requested (i.e. this course would not be beyond the normal full load);

_____ (If applicable) Student has demonstrated success in previous online courses.

OPTIONAL Additional Information:

1. If the course is offered onsite by the district, are there extenuating circumstances that make it difficult or impossible for the student to take the onsite course offered by the district?

2. If the course is offered onsite by the district and the student is able to take that course, what are the reasons the student wants to take the course through MOCAP?

3. If the course is offered online by the district and the student is able to take that course,

what are the reasons the student wants to take the course through MOCAP?

APPEAL FROM DISTRICT DENIAL OF ENROLLMENT IN ITS COURSE ACCESS
AND VIRTUAL SCHOOL PROGRAM

A. Good reasons for District belief that enrollment is not in the student's best educational interest.

B. Reasons for Parents/Guardian Appeal

C. Reasons for Both Parties (A) and (B) will be entered into minutes of Board appeal hearing.

D. Date of Board Hearing

E. Decision of Board within thirty (30) days of hearing

F. Appeal to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The District will provide the following:

a. Documents submitted for Board hearing

b. Minutes of Board hearing

c. Form 6190

A final decision by DESE within seven (7) calendar days