

# Gaston County Virtual Academy



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# Online Learning

- Courses are 100% online
- Taken anytime and anywhere
- No brick & mortar school location
- Students work at their own pace



# Benefits

- Flexibility
- Personalized learning
- Local support

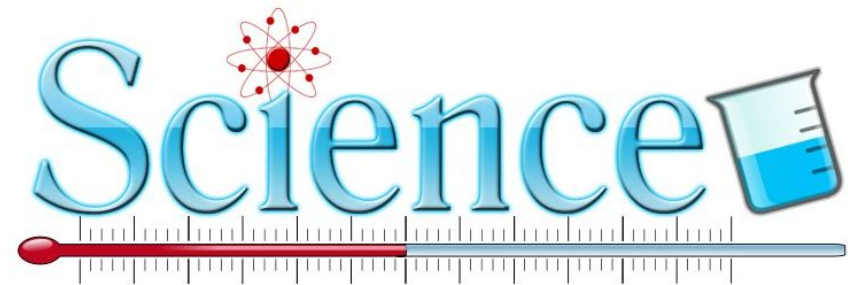
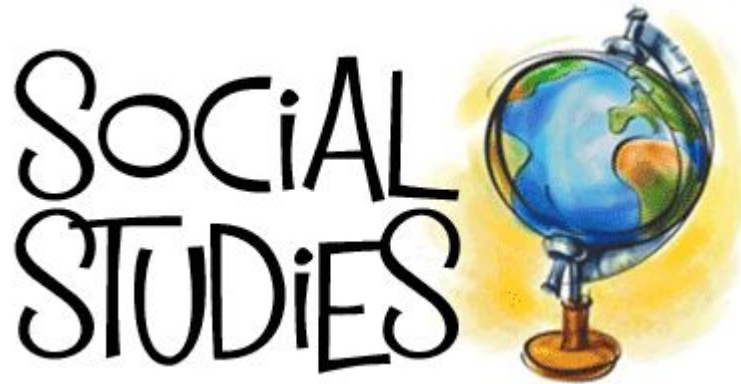


# School Staffing Structure

- Administrator
- Online Teachers
- Mentors/Tutors



# Course Offerings



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# Student Support

- Weekly, in-person tutoring available
  - Gaston County Schools certified teachers
  - Various locations



# Student Interactions



## Monthly Face-To-Face Offering **EXAMPLES:**

- Orientation
- Information Nights
- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips
- Bowling Nights
- Community Service

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# Technology

Students will need a device and reliable Internet



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# Entrance Criteria

- Rising sixth, seventh, or eighth grader
- Shows a need for a flexible schedule
- Demonstrates success in an online environment



# Requirements

- Maintain regular attendance in virtual school
- Minimum of 3 courses
  - All students take Math & Language Arts
  - 8th Graders must take Grade 8 Science
- Attend a monthly interaction



# Next Steps

- Apply online at [www.gaston.k12.nc.us/VirtualAcademy](http://www.gaston.k12.nc.us/VirtualAcademy)
- Schedule a time for screening
- Orientation in August

Apply!!  
Today!!

# Contact Information

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# Questions?

