

**Distance Learning
and Correspondence
Courses**

Credit toward state graduation requirements may be granted for distance learning and correspondence courses only as follows:

1. Students may earn course credit through distance learning technologies such as satellite, Internet, two-way video conferencing, online courses, the Texas Virtual School Network (TxVSN), and instructional television.
2. The institution offering the correspondence course is the University of Texas at Austin, Texas Tech University, or another public institution of higher education approved by the commissioner of education.
3. The distance learning and correspondence courses must include the state-required essential knowledge and skills for such a course.

**Texas Virtual School
Network**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures for students to enroll in courses provided by the Texas Virtual School Network (TxVSN).

Enrollment in courses through the TxVSN shall not be subject to limitations the District may impose for other distance learning courses.

**Other Distance
Learning**

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures governing the use of other distance learning courses, including correspondence courses, as a means of earning credit in a subject or course. In order to receive credit, a student shall obtain approval from the principal or designee prior to enrollment in the course.

Course Approval

The Superintendent or designee shall establish and publish information governing the use of distance learning courses.

The departments of curriculum and instruction and instructional technology shall maintain the list of District-approved distance learning courses. The list shall be subject to review annually to ensure that the courses remain in accordance with District policy.

Eligibility

Secondary students shall be eligible to take a District-approved correspondence course and/or distance learning courses and earn credit toward graduation.

Limitations

Enrollment availability in distance learning and correspondence courses is subject to change based on current school year funding.