2020-21 TLC Online Program



TLC Online is a 9-12 virtual program being offered for the 2020-2021 school year that provides equitable educational opportunities for all students. The online classroom will focus on building relationships while providing online learning experiences in order to meet the Shakopee School District's mission of educating lifelong learners to succeed in a diverse world.

With TLC Online, you can:

- Expect regular LIVE instructional support with a licensed TLC teacher
- Engage in interesting and rigorous coursework with timely feedback and assistance as needed
- Personalize your work time to fit your individualized needs
- Receive your required support services (Special Education, 504 supports, EL)
- Participate in enrichment and/or intervention opportunities as needed
- In-person drop-in appointments can be scheduled if necessary (Minnesota Department of Health Guidelines apply)

TLC Online Program: 9th - 12th Grade programming will incorporate required Minnesota state standards and include online courses in English, Math, Social Studies, and Science. A limited selection of elective courses from the TLC will be offered. All social studies, math, and science courses will consist of Tokata Learning Center curriculum that is managed through Canvas - the Shakopee school district's learning management system. All english and most elective courses will be provided through APEX, a digital curriculum platform that delivers comprehensive courses that are aligned to Minnesota state standards.

Students will be enrolled in two courses at a time. New courses will be added upon completion of scheduled courses. While pacing is flexible, students are encouraged to complete two courses every 26 school days, which is the pacing required to complete 13 credits in a school year. Students can expect to spend at least 4 hours per day working on their coursework. All Tokata Online courses will be credit-bearing and count toward graduation requirements for earning a Shakopee diploma.

Specific program highlights include:

- Regular LIVE instructional support with a licensed TLC teacher
- Virtual social opportunities, including daily advisory discussions and weekly Tokata Learning Center "shout outs."
- Access to Tokata Learning Center student support groups
- Access to Tokata Learning Center intervention supports
- A focus on organization, planning, self-monitoring, and other independent learning skills

TLC Online Program Schedule:

Monday - Thursday Schedule (Tentative): Students are expected to engage daily virtual classroom sessions. They are required to attend a 1 hour virtual classroom session for each of their scheduled courses (2 total). In addition, they are required to attend a 30 minute advisory session every day. Teachers will be available for individual support during their scheduled "Student Support" blocks and by appointment during their scheduled "Appointment Only" block.

TLC ONLINE Example Schedule Monday - Thursday									
	9:00 - 10:00	10:00 -11:00	11:00 - 12:00	12:00 -12:30	12:30 - 1:00	1:00 - 2:00	2:00 - 3:00	3:00 - 4:00	Late Afternoon / Evening Support
Mrs. Edgeton	Student Support	Online Session	Online Session	Advisory	Lunch	Online Session	Apt. Only	Online Session	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Student Support
Mr. Ficklin					Lunch	Online Session	Online Session		
Mr. Ryan	Online Session	Online Session	Student Support	Advisory	Lunch		Online Session	Apt. Only	4:00 PM-5:00 PM Student Support

Friday Schedule (Tentative): The TLC Online program will end at 12:45 PM on Fridays. TLC Online teachers will not be able to provide instructional support after this time on Fridays as they will be engaged in TLC staff development activities.

Students are expected to participate in their Advisory session every Friday. TLC Online teachers will also be available for instructional support before and after the required Advisory session. There are no required virtual classroom sessions required for students on Friday other than the Advisory Session.

TLC ONLINE Example Schedule Friday						
	9:00 - 10:00	10:00 -10:30	10:30-12:45			
Mrs. Edgeton	Student Support	Advisory	Student Support			
Mr. Ficklin			Student Support			
Mr. Ryan	Student Support	Advisory				

TLC Online Program Commitments					
Tokata Learning Center Commitments	Student / Family Commitments				
 Provide student-centered instruction and support during scheduled sessions. Provide regular feedback and progress updates to students and families. Communicate in a timely manner. Be flexible and responsive to individual student needs. 	 Engage in required virtual online learning sessions. Engage in academic work for 4 hours daily. Communicate in a timely and responsive manner. Establish a daily schedule/routine that enables you to keep these commitments. 				

Frequently Asked Questions

Is there a cost to TLC Online?

No. There are no registration costs or fees to participate in Tokata Online.

What are the TLC Online Program hours?

The TLC online program hours are:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:45 PM

My student received Special Education Services. Will she/he still receive these services? Special Ed, 504, EL, intervention and enrichment services will be provided to all students with identified needs.

How much time per day can I expect my student to be engaged in learning?

Daily average time for online schooling is expected to be 4 hours, with individual considerations for age and learning styles. A continuous feedback loop between the teacher/advisor, student, and family will help us monitor and adjust student learning based on feedback.

Which courses will be offered?

English, Social Studies, Science and Math courses will be offered to meet the required MN State Standards. In addition, a limited number of elective courses will be offered.

What if I change my mind?

Registration for TLC Online is for the duration of the 2020-2021 school year. As the school year progresses, questions and concerns will be addressed on an individual basis.

How will instruction be delivered?

All courses will have daily live instructional support (synchronous) delivered virtually.

How will my student be graded?

Grading will follow the standard Tokata Learning Center grading system. Students will earn an A-C letter grade upon completion of each course. Courses not completed at the end of the year will be awarded partial credit. Student progress will be reported on an ongoing basis with progress updates shared every progress monitoring period (approx 23 days).

Will my High School student receive credits toward graduation?

Yes, all passing grades in TLC Online courses will receive credits toward graduation.