

## ONLINE LEARNING TIPS FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN A SUPPLEMENTAL COURSE THROUGH THE NMVC<sup>2</sup>

Supplemental online courses expand your student's opportunity to access courses that may not be available at your local school district or charter.

Is your student taking an online course or courses through the NMVC<sup>2</sup>? Use this checklist to help support your student's online course(s) easily and stress free.



### GUIDANCE AND COMMUNICATION WITH EDUCATORS

- Ensure you know who to contact should you have questions or concerns about your student's online course.
- Keep communication open with your local school designated online learning support staff as well your student's online teacher.
- If your student has special needs ask how he/she will be supported during the online course, and how you can be supportive at home.
- Be aware of any teacher communication to the student regarding assignments so you can provide additional support.
- Communicate with the online teacher should there be challenges that you feel you are unable to solve.
- Communicate with the online teacher, and your local district or charter of any big changes at home (illness, injury, etc.).
- Ask to complete a parent survey at the end of your student's online course.

### GUIDANCE AND GOOD PRACTICE AT HOME

- Create a comfortable and stress-free learning environment by providing a quiet, well-lit room, limiting chances of distractions and interruptions.
- Ensure proper posture and fit to workspace for comfort and efficient productivity.
- Provide any necessary supplies for specific online course. (notebook, pencil, etc.)
- Establish routines to help create good study habits.
- Cultivate self-direction over time.
- Help your student find motivation.
- Model an atmosphere of study – do paperwork, study, or read during homework time.
- Discuss and praise good work. Look out for and recognize special efforts.
- Show interest in the subject they are working on, engage in discussions about the topic.
- Research and acquire intervention programs devised to help your children, if necessary.
- Reach out to other parents who have students in online courses for support.