

The Statewide Online Education Program

The Statewide Online Education Program (SOEP) allows students not regularly enrolled in an online school to earn 9th–12th grade graduation credit. All online course providers are public schools accredited for 6th–12th grade education. SOEP allows students online access of up to six (6) credits per each school year. Students can take more than 6 credits with a compelling academic reason to exceed this limit.

- ▶ SOEP providers enroll students only course-wise, and students are not eligible for additional services from the provider, including sports, extra or co-curricular participation, or graduation services.
- ▶ Throughout the period that the student is enrolled in online courses, the student maintains regular enrollment at their boundary school, home, private school, or other school of choice.
- ▶ While a student is not required to attend courses at a local school to access SOEP courses, it is likely that a student will want to take advantage of the academic and extra curricular offerings of the primary school of enrollment regardless of participation in SOEP courses.
- ▶ SOEP participation allows a student to experience the best of both worlds by choosing the extent to which he/she wishes to participate in at more than one school.
- ▶ SOEP works with seven online schools - each is accredited and experienced in digital coursework.

Who is eligible?

Students are eligible to participate in the Statewide Online Education Program if they are enrolled in a Utah public, private, or home school and wish to take 6th–12th grade course work. Grade-appropriate courses or more advanced courses are available. **Courses replace and supplement and choices at a student's primary school of enrollment.**

What if I want to graduate early?

A student may be eligible to earn more credits in a year than the number of credits he/she may earn by taking a full course load during the regular school day in their local high school in accordance with an approved education/occupation plan (SEOP or CCRP). Note that a plan to graduate early is not binding, but it does allow a student to begin accruing credits in early, preparing for this possibility.

How do I register?

Enrollment is requested using the SEATS web application provided online by the Utah State Board of Education, at <https://seats.schools.utah.gov>. When a request is filed, the student's counselor and the provider are notified via email, so that they can review the request. Once a request is approved, the provider will contact the student by e-mail to explain how the student can "log in" and begin to participate.

Where do I get information about the courses I can take through the Statewide Online Education Program?

More information can be found at <http://www.schools.utah.gov/edonline>. This Utah State Board of Education (USBE) website contains links to online courses, contacts, and other information.

Further information or questions:

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