



eLearning

WHAT IS ELEARNING

An eLearning course or simply eLearning is defined as learning that is enabled electronically. Typically, eLearning is conducted on the internet where students can access their learning material online at any place and time. Courses are asynchronous which allows for flexibility in student schedules. Online teachers guide student learning and offer support to the class via Brightspace as they work through the course.

WHY WOULD I TAKE AN ELEARNING COURSE?

- Accommodates difficult schedules (e.g., elite athletes, health issues, scheduling conflicts, etc.)
- Access courses that may be unavailable at the home school
- Prepare for college, university and the working world
- Participate in an interactive and engaging 21st century learning environment
- Fulfil provincial graduation requirement of two online courses (if the student has not chosen to opt out of this requirement).

WHAT DO I NEED TO BE A SUCCESSFUL eLEARNING STUDENT?

- Have excellent time management skills
- Able to problem solve independently
- Able to navigate the internet competently
- Able to advocate for myself (know when to ask for help)

...WHAT DO I NEED TO BE A SUCCESSFUL eLEARNING STUDENT CONTINUED

- Able to work collaboratively in an online environment (e.g., Brightspace, collaborate on a digital document, participate in online discussion, etc.)
- Log in daily and complete required course work in a timely manner (e.g., assignments, discussions, quizzes, etc.)
- Respect the values of our Catholic faith (e.g. dignity of the human person) when communicating (e.g. use of appropriate language, tone and awareness of and sensitivity to the feeling of others)

WHAT DO I NEED TO COMPLETE MY WORK?

- Reliable internet that can handle video streaming and downloading of documents
- Microsoft Office 365 (which is provided to all BHNCDSB students for download)
- A computer or tablet that can run latest version of browsers (e.g. Chrome, Edge, etc.). A computer is the best choice as it has the capacity to manage the programs and content being taught.

NOTE: Devices like cell phones, gaming consoles and older tablets do not meet the requirements to properly access eLearning material and content online. Students on a mobile device will not be able to fully participate in the online learning environment.

HOW DO I REGISTER FOR AN eLEARNING COURSE?

- Select the 'online' course option when choosing your courses in myBlueprint
- Speak with your guidance counselor to discuss and register for an online eLearning course