Fargo Public Schools and High School EL Zoom Distance Learning

To support other North Dakota school districts and ELs across the state, Fargo Public Schools (FPS) EL department will be offering Zoomed distance high school EL courses for credit for other districts to consider for their EL students. Zoomed classes are delivered in real-time and are interactive with outside Zoomed students. Zoomed classes will be taught by content area teachers who also have EL certification. The number of available/open EL Zoom seats may vary each semester based upon high school enrollment within Fargo Public Schools.

The Other School District (OSD) will pay Fargo Public Schools a $490 fee per Zoomed (distance learning) half-credit semester seat. A block class of two periods is a full-credit seat and will cost an additional $300 for a $790 total. ELA classes will also have a specialized license (FPS at-cost) for Read 180 or Systems 44 and possibly Rosetta Stone @ $150 per seat. Foundation aid remains with the OSD who will provide computer access, supervision for the Zoomed EL student and any necessary mailings to Fargo Public Schools.

The fee structure is intended to be cost neutral for FPS while being reasonably affordable to the OSD for the EL specialized, highly qualified, synchronous instruction. The model is intended to be beneficial for Fargo’s EL students as well as the distance EL learners.

Fargo Public Schools will provide the EL Zoomed course and will cover the associated host site costs: hard-ware, software, software licenses, tech support, EL sheltered program administration, FPS teacher compensation, interpreter services relating to instruction/home communication, necessary course materials (textbooks, workbooks and other supplementals), up to 4 mailings to the OSD per semester and attendance/academic communication with OSD counselor/administration.

FPS EL Zoom Procedures and Details:

1. OSD contacts FPS EL office regarding open seats and schedule details (email or call).
2. Once a requested class or two (up to three) have been determined to be available, the FPS EL office will send a google survey to OSD.
   a. FPS Tech department will create an FPS google profile/student account for the OSD student.
   b. FPS will send a service agreement to the other district and the Zoomed EL course(s) will begin within a few days.
3. It is highly recommended that OSD assign a para/staff to supervise the Zoom class. Consider assigning the same para/support staff to follow the EL student for additional portions of their day to help bridge EL Zoomed strategies into general ed classes.
4. FPS EL Program will serve as a resource to OSD.
5. EL Zoom courses will follow the FPS calendar.
6. The OSD and EL student/family can determine if the OSD student will do a Zoom class on a non-school day in the OSD (i.e. snow day or vacation day or sick day).
7. School Calendar - Fluctuation in FPS/OSD calendar alignment for course beginning and ending will be managed by the FPS EL teacher.
8. Early Exit or Late Entry - If an EL Zoomed student drops a course before mid-semester or joins late after mid-semester, the OSD will pay only half the Zoom course fee of $245 ($490 x .5) for a half-credit class or $395 ($790 x .5) for a blocked full-credit course.
9. FPS will send OSD a bill for services around mid-semester.
FPS EL Zoom Teacher will do the following:
- Provide Zoomed interactive EL instruction, assessment, and intervention for given course.
- Provide grades that align within the OSD academic calendar.
- Provide two-way communication/conferencing with OSD EL student’s family.
- Provide two-way communication/conferencing with OSD counselor, administration.
- Be a resource for helpful general EL practices that OSD might consider for other courses.

Potential EL consultant/case management services could be independently arranged with FPS EL Zoom teacher. A separate consulting fee(s) would need to be arranged with the FPS EL Zoom teacher.

2022-2023 FPS EL Zoom Course Offerings

Semester 1:
- EL ELA Courses
  - Intro to English (elective), paired with English I – full-credit block
  - English I
  - English II
  - English III
- EL Math Courses
  - Basic Math (elective)
  - Math 1
  - Math 2
  - Algebra 1
  - Algebra 1 full-credit block
  - Algebra II
  - Algebra II full-credit block
  - Geometry
  - Informal Geometry
- EL Science Courses
  - Intro to Science (elective)
  - Physical Science
  - Biology
  - Forensics
- EL Social Studies
  - Intro to SS (elective)
  - Western Civilization
  - US History
  - Government

Semester 2:
- EL ELA Courses
  - Intro to English (elective), paired with English I – full-credit block
  - English I
  - English II
- English III
- English IV

- EL Math Courses
  - Basic Math (elective)
  - Math 1
  - Math 2
  - Algebra 1
  - Algebra 1 full-credit block
  - Algebra II
  - Algebra II full-credit block
  - Geometry
  - Informal Geometry

- EL Science Courses
  - Intro to Science (elective)
  - Physical Science
  - Biology
  - Environmental Science
  - Forensics

- EL Social Studies
  - Intro to SS (elective)
  - Western Civilization
  - US History
  - Economics

Please contact the FPS EL Office for specific class schedules, descriptions and/or additional questions. The course schedule is also available in the NDDPI's EL Coordinator Teams environment.

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