

Parent and Student Contract:

Panther Online Academy

Jennings County Schools Corporation

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I hereby give permission for my student to participate in Panther Online Academy, the virtual school program provided by Jennings County School Corporation (JCSC). My student will be participating in the following virtual option for at least one full semester:

*** Grades K-5: Edmentum Calvert Learning**

*** Grades 6-8: Edmentum Courseware**

- ☐ My student and I understand and will abide by the expectations and policies outlined in the Panther Online Academy Handbook.
- ☐ We understand that we must register online via the application process and must show proof of Indiana residency. Further, we understand that if we live outside the Jennings County School Corporation boundaries, we must apply for a transfer. Information regarding student transfers can be found on the district website at <https://www.jcsc.org>.
- ☐ We understand that we must attend a Panther Online Academy orientation session and that we are committing to at least one semester in the program. We further understand that the student can be administratively removed from this virtual setting for, but not limited to, the following reasons: attendance, academic progress, or discipline issues.
- ☐ As a parent/guardian, I understand that my student's success is the ultimate factor in determining their appropriate learning environment. I will not interfere with my student's progress or participation. I will encourage my student to ask questions, participate in class, attend live sessions, and request help when needed. I will not complete assignments or assessments on their behalf. My student will follow the expectations set by their teachers for a high-quality virtual learning experience. I understand that my failure to

support my student and their teachers may result in my student being removed from Panther Online Academy.

- ❑ We understand that daily attendance is essential. Failure to maintain acceptable attendance (no more than 5 unexcused absences per semester) may result in a return to the traditional school setting. We understand that being virtually present during synchronous instruction requires having the camera on.
- ❑ We understand that academic progress must be maintained. Students are expected to make appropriate forward progress in coursework, and middle school students should remain in good standing based on their grades and pacing.
- ❑ We understand that course schedules will be developed by the school counselor in collaboration with students and families to ensure progress toward promotion and alignment with IEP, ILP, and/or 504 Plan goals as appropriate.
- ❑ We understand that a school-issued Chromebook and charger will be provided, and that students must comply with the JCSC Responsible Use of Technology Policy. We understand that families will be charged for any lost or damaged devices or accessories. Reliable internet access is required for participation in Panther Online Academy.
- ❑ We understand that students must participate in district and state-mandated assessments on-site. These assessments are required by law to be administered in person by certified JCSC staff. Families are responsible for arranging transportation to and from testing locations.

I have read the above "Parent and Student Contract: Panther Online Academy for the Jennings County Schools Corporation" and agree to the terms of the contract for the 2025-2026 school year.

Student's Legal Name (please print): _____

Grade Level: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian 1:

Parent/Guardian's Name (please print): _____

Parent /Guardian's Signature: _____

Parent /Guardian's Cell Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian's Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian 2:

Parent/Guardian's Name (please print): _____

Parent /Guardian's Signature: _____

Parent /Guardian's Cell Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian's Email Address: _____

Address: _____
