

Welcome to DESK online learning community!

Our goal is to provide high-quality online learning while fostering mutual respect, responsibility, and support. For this to happen, both student and teacher (and support parent/guardian) must work collaboratively to make any learning relationship effective, efficient, and worthwhile.

Learner Expectations

The learner is ultimately responsible for their success in any online learning course. Online learning offers independence and flexibility, but it also requires planning, organization, and personal accountability. An online learner must endeavour to:

- **Provide evidence of regular active engagement** with the learning process throughout the course.
- **Communicate** with the teacher for support as required.
- **Practice academic integrity** while completing all assignments, tests, projects, etc. Learners are required to do their own work and not take credit for the work of others.
- **Demonstrate respect** towards other students and staff members.

Teacher Expectations

Our teachers, clerical staff, and administration are here to support you in achieving your academic goals. Our teachers, specifically, will always endeavour to:

- **Respond** to all requests for support in a timely fashion.
- **Provide instruction** through engaging lessons and timely, constructive feedback as required.
- **Provide timely assessment and reporting** using transparent criteria including rubrics and learning updates.
- **Demonstrate respect and inclusivity** towards a welcoming learning environment for all learners.

Parent/Guardian Expectations

Parents/guardians often play an important supportive role for many online learners. Parents/guardians of online learners will endeavour to:

- **Provide** accurate registration and communication information.
- **Respond** to DESK staff inquiries in a timely manner.
- **Ensure** their learner has appropriate technology and reliable internet access.
- **Communicate** with DESK staff as required.