



Family Information

Pathfinder School of Innovation Students Are:

1. Self-motivated and committed to learning
2. Comfortable learning in virtual environment
3. Willing to take advantage of available support services

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Question	Answer
Will my child still be enrolled in their previous school when enrolled in Pathfinder School of Innovation?	No, if your child enrolls in the Pathfinder School of Innovation they will no longer be enrolled at their previous school. They will not be a part of any prior teams or clubs they participated in at their previous school. Your child will now be enrolled as a Pathfinder School of Innovation student.
Is Pathfinder School of Innovation the only 100% virtual learning option for students for the 2021-22 school year?	Yes, Pathfinder School of Innovation is the only virtual learning option for 2021-22.
How will instruction be delivered at Pathfinder School of Innovation?	Students will receive asynchronous (on-demand) instruction with synchronous (live) support and intensive progress monitoring.



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Will students be required to "attend" virtually for the entire school day, or will they be able to work through at their own pace?	Students will work asynchronously at their own pace and attend synchronous lessons as needed for support.
Will there be any virtual interactions with other students or only with the teacher?	It is possible that while students are participating in synchronous sessions with other students that they may engage with each other. They may have projects and/or assignments that will require collaboration with other students.
Will dual credit courses and Advanced Placement courses be offered for high school students who attend Pathfinder School of Innovation?	AP courses will be available. Dual credit course offerings will depend on what our partnering universities will offer.
Will related arts/elective classes be offered?	Electives will be offered, however, courses like Art, Music, Dance, and Physical Education may be facilitated differently from a typical classroom setting.
Will Career Technical Education (CTE) courses be offered?	Career and Technical Education Pathways will be offered and may lead to industry certifications.
Do students enrolled in the	Yes, students enrolled will have access to school counselors that will be a part of the Pathfinder



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Pathfinder School of Innovation have access to school counselors?	School of Innovation staff.
Will students be required to go in the building for any reason if we choose to attend Pathfinder School of Innovation?	Yes, at times students may be required to report to a site location to participate in district, state and federal assessments. Currently, there is no option to administer those assessments remotely. It is possible other instances may occur that require a student and/or parent/guardian to come for support services.
Will there be special education teachers for students with disabilities?	Yes, students will be able to receive special education services through the Pathfinder School of Innovation.
What if a parent/guardian cannot afford a device?	Devices will be provided to Pathfinder School of Innovation students.
If you have two children, do both children have to be enrolled in Pathfinder School of Innovation?	No, a family can choose the best school option for each child.
How will academic, social, emotional, behavioral and other needs be met at Pathfinder School of	Pathfinder School of Innovation will work to meet each student's needs academically, socially, emotionally and behaviorally just as they would for in-person instruction via digital tools and resources.



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How will the students be graded?	Teachers will follow grading guidance as outlined in the JCPS 2020-21 Student Progression, Promotion, and Grading Handbook and any subsequent editions.
Will students who attend Pathfinder School of Innovation have an opportunity to participate in athletics and other extracurricular activities?	Extracurricular virtual clubs/activities will be available, however, Pathfinder School of Innovation students will not be able to participate in clubs/activities/athletics at their previous school.
What are the expectations of parents/guardians if we do decide to enroll our student in the Pathfinder School of Innovation?	<p>Parents/guardians are expected to attend the virtual school orientation for Pathfinder School of Innovation. School staff will work to find a time to support parents who are unable to attend the initial orientation.</p> <p>Parents/guardians should ensure their student(s) attend synchronous support sessions and as would be the case with enrollment in any school, parents/guardians are expected to respond to any communication from teachers and staff of the Pathfinder School of Innovation and ensure their student is completing and submitting required assignments.</p>
Does Pathfinder School of Innovation replace Jefferson County High School and/or its eSchool program?	Yes. Students who are currently attending Jefferson County High School or its eSchool will automatically transition to become students of Pathfinder School of Innovation. Currently enrolled students will not need to complete any paperwork or apply and can be assured that the Pathfinder School of Innovation staff will partner with them to ensure they are able to complete their coursework and reach graduation according to their original plan and method of study.



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<p>If the Pathfinder School of Innovation does not end up being a great fit for my student after trying it out for a while, can they switch back to their previous school? Or to another school?</p>	<p>Students will be able to utilize the School Choice system to access other school opportunities based on the current policies, procedures and practices for student assignment. For example, students will automatically be able to return to their resides school and, should they choose, may apply for a transfer to another school. Processing and acceptance criteria would be that of any transfer.</p> <p>It is important to note that because enrollment in Pathfinder School of Innovation is a change in enrollment, students in the district's magnet and optional schools and programs will lose their seat upon enrollment in iSchool and not be able to return to that magnet or optional school or program. They can, however, apply to return using the typical School Choice process and timeline.</p>
<p>Will students be expected to complete Backpack defenses as they would in other JCPS middle and high schools?</p>	<p>YES</p>
<p>Will students have access to the same kinds of supports and services as they might in a comprehensive school? (Counselor, MHP, G/T, ESL, ECE?)</p>	<p>YES</p>