

# Approved Online Course Provider

# **Odysseyware Academy**

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# OSPI Approval

Approved as a Multidistrict Online Course Provider since 2016-2017.

# **Student Performance and Demographics**

Data for school year: 2014-2015 Teacher-to-student ratio: 1:30

#### **Access**

Students who are attending a school that is an Odysseyware Academy partner will work directly with the school to be enrolled in courses. Each school will have their own process for how students request to take courses. The school will take care of registration and associated enrollment tuition through submitting a contract and PO to Odysseyware Academy prior to enrolling students. They will then enter students into our SIS (Genius) and then our registrar will review and approve their students.

If the student attends a school that is not an Odysseyware Academy partner school, they can still enroll directly with the Academy by calling 1-888-399-4267. They will talk to our Academic Advisor to determine which courses they should take, purchase enrollments over the phone and provide their student information to be entered into our system.

#### Overview

Odysseyware Academy has been a provider of online courses and partnering with school districts for many years. The academy is powered by the Odysseyware curriculum and offers Odysseyware Academy to districts nationally. Odysseyware Academy is committed to helping schools across the United States create and implement a custom distance learning program that meets the diverse needs of every student. At the foundation of our mission are today's students and their future.

Odysseyware Academy solidifies partnerships with schools, districts and other educational organizations that exists to build and sustain successful, online educational programs that strengthen and empower students. Through our partnerships we have continuously reviewed and worked to revise the delivery of our academy services to meet the needs of our partners and to improve the programs we deliver to the students so that students can meet their academic goals and find success in their coursework. We have actively engaged our partners, teachers, and other team members to provide input on our purpose and ideas on the initiatives we must take to create effective student success. Odysseyware Academy's purpose statement is: to provide parents and schools with an alternative education for students in grades 3-12. By using a flexible online curriculum, Odysseyware Academy can create a personalized learning environment for any student at a level that will help him achieve his best both in academics and in life. This educational program combines state-of-the-art lessons and dedicated, qualified teachers to help students fill their learning needs and meet their goals.

## **Course Offerings**

#### Subjects:

- Arts
- Business
- CTE
- Language Arts
- Lifeskills-Health
- Mathematics
- Occupational credit qualified
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technology
- World Languages

#### Levels:

- College
- Credit Recovery
- Pre-Advanced Placement
- Remedial
- Standard

#### **Students**

Odysseyware Academy serves students in grades 3-12, for all core content, electives, and Career and Technical Education courses, who are individually enrolled or enrolled through their school district. Students enrolled in Odysseyware Academy can accrue credits, recover credits, take courses not offered at their home school, overcome scheduling conflicts, homebound/homeschooled, distance learning and any of the other myriad of reasons that a student may need a virtual course.

## **Student-Teacher Contact Requirements**

Instructors reach out to students via telephone on a weekly basis to assist in the building of relationships and encouraging a sense of community. The purpose of these communications is to teach and encourage students in their studies. Teachers also contact students via phone and email to encourage them to attend online classroom sessions, answer students' questions, and to set up individual tutoring time. Teachers are trained to proactively reach out to students to support their academic needs. Teacher call data is reviewed weekly and these stats are provided to teachers during monthly one-on-one meetings. Teachers are asked to provide a call goal for the month to ensure they use the data as a baseline to increase call volume to students. Teachers must provide students with feedback within a 24 hour period of time or shorter for all assignments. Teachers have high expectations of students and provide optimal feedback to assist students in completing assignments to the highest standard. Within Odysseyware Academy, we have many supports in place for teachers and to help them support their students in the most effective possible way. Odysseyware Academy teachers hold set weekly, live office hours to be accessible to their students and to give tutoring sessions as needed. Additionally, the expectation for a response from students, the partner school, or from parents is needed to maintain communications, progress, and rapport. Without the communication from the student, teachers will take measure such as calling the parents or blocking the course until they can have a conversation.