

# Florida Virtual School

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# ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

# Our Commitment

The student is at the center of every decision we make.

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# Our Mission

To develop and deliver highly effective digital learning through an intuitive online platform.

# Our Values

## **Excellence**

Deliver the best. Always.

## **Innovation**

Lead transformative learning.

## **Community**

Build meaningful connections.

## **Balance**

Embrace flexibility.

## **Communication**

Listen, share, and collaborate openly



# FLVS Timeline

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Founded in **1996** in a partnership between Orange County and Alachua County public schools.



In **1997**, the school was officially named **Florida High School** and received a **grant** from the Florida Department of Education to pilot a “Web School” with five **(5)** online high school courses.



In **2001**, the school was renamed **Florida Virtual School**.



**Today**, FLVS K-12 digital curriculum is used in all **67 Florida school districts** at the local County Virtual Schools, either directly through a district or a consortium.

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# VIRTUAL EDUCATION MODELS

# FLVS Curriculum & Instruction

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190+

## DIGITAL COURSES

Created & Maintained



2,526

Total Instructional  
Staff

## DIGITAL CURRICULUM

- Advanced Placement® (AP®) and honors courses
- NCAA-approved core, world languages, electives, college prep, and CTE courses

## INSTRUCTION FOR FLEX & FULL TIME

- Teachers are state certified and teach in-field
- Teachers individualize instruction to students

# FLVS Managed Schools

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**6 VIRTUAL  
SCHOOLS**  
in Florida



**4.3 MILLION**  
semesters completed  
over the past 10 years

## **FLVS FLEX | 3 Part Time Schools**

Elementary School | Middle School | High School

- Students take one or more courses to supplement current studies
- Credits applied to transcript of student's local school
- Free to qualified K-12 students
- 365-Day flexible calendar with rolling enrollment

## **FLVS FULL TIME | 3 Full Time Schools**

Elementary School | Middle School | High School

- School of record, operates like a traditional school
- Students take all coursework through FLVS Full Time
- Free to qualified K-12 students
- 180-day traditional school calendar

# County Virtual School Model

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School districts operate their own County Virtual Schools



FLVS licenses digital curriculum and online platforms (LMS/SIS\*) to school districts (or individual schools)



Teachers are employed by the local school district



District teachers are trained by FLVS



\*LMS – Learning Management System | SIS – Student Information System



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# FUNDING MODEL

# FLVS Funding Model

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Funded as part of the **FEFP** (Florida Education Finance Program)



**Performance-based** funding (funded by student course completion, not per enrollment)



FLVS only receives funding when students **successfully complete courses** in Flex and Full Time schools



FLVS funding is equal to 7/10's of FTE paid to traditional brick and mortar districts (cost savings to the state)

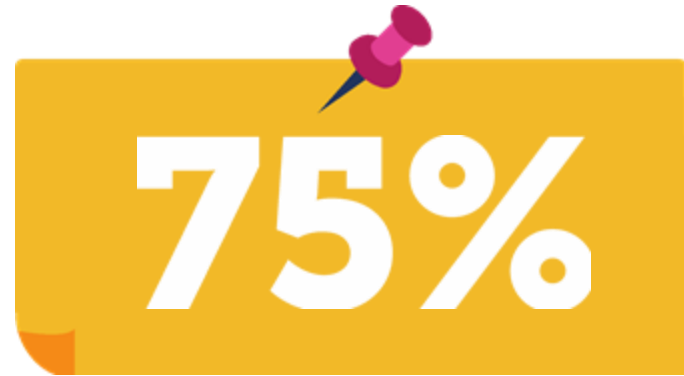
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# RELEVANT DATA

# FLVS Flex At-A-Glance

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of all FLVS Flex students are in  
**GRADES 9-12**

## FLORIDA VIRTUAL SCHOOL FLEX STUDENTS

**Advanced learners** looking  
for a challenge

**College and career-minded** students

**Homeschool students** registered  
through their local district

**Military families**

**Amateur athletes**

**Performers**

Inner-city  
and **rural** school students

Students **catching up**

**Hospital/Homebound** youth

Individuals seeking **supportive,**  
**student-driven** learning

# Flex & Full Time Student Performance

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## 244,839

Flex and Full Time students  
served in 2020-21

## 757,540

Semester Completions



FLVS students **OUTPERFORM**  
state averages on AP and EOC exams



FLVS Elementary students  
outperformed state averages  
on **FSA ELA** grades 3-5 exams



FLVS Full Time Graduation rate  
**5.8% HIGHER** than the state  
average

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# CONSIDERATIONS & LESSONS LEARNED

# FLVS Curriculum Development

FLVS looks ahead to everchanging standards across the nation, creating and enhancing dozens of courses each year while maintaining a catalog of more than 190 courses. From initial concept to product release, new course development requires considerable planning and coordination to deliver highly engaging digital content.

A team of experts, including teachers and students, subject matter experts, curriculum designers, web developers, and project managers, works together to create, revise, and continuously improve content.

## EACH NEW FLVS COURSE AVERAGES:



**600 Hours**

of lesson writing,  
including interactive  
and video scripts



**200 Hours**

of exam and  
assessment writing



**1,300 Pages**

of HTML, including  
81,000 lines of code



**2,000**

**Assessments**  
including quizzes,  
exams, interactives



**1,000 Images**

to reinforce content  
including photography,  
illustration, charts

# FLVS Award-Winning Courses

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190+

DIGITAL COURSES

Created & Maintained



- FLVS courses are **asynchronous**, students learn at their own pace.
- FLVS teachers provide guidance and live instruction to **support student success** in the course.
- FLVS is **accredited** by Cognia and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI). SACS CASI is an accrediting division of Cognia.
- FLVS core course curriculum has been **approved by NCAA**.
- FLVS digital courses align to Florida and **national standards**.



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# TESTIMONIALS & AWARDS

# FLVS Testimonials

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**"Our students are thriving in this environment... building strong portfolios and being introduced to purposeful internships. "**  
- School Administrator

**"I love how much more engaged my son (who has Asperger's) is. He is absorbing what he learns."**

- FLVS Parent

**"My favorite part of online learning is the one-on-one connection I make with my students and their families. "**

- FLVS Teacher

**"We love the feeling of less pressure, working on our own time, and so much support from teachers."**

- FLVS Parent

**"We loved going to Legoland on the first day of school! FLVS does an amazing job of creating a challenging pace while still leaving room for new students to adjust."**

- FLVS Parent

**"The support of the teachers, counselors and staff is amazing!"**

- FLVS Parent

**"I love that I learn WITH my students. They teach me as much as I do them. "**

- FLVS Teacher

# Awards Won

FLVS was recognized **7 times** over the last 2 years by global industry leaders for achievements in education and technology and won **4 international awards**.



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## **Digital Learning Collaborative Unsung Super Star (Individual) Award**

Neida Ortiz - Curriculum

## **IMS Global Learning Impact Honorable Mention**

## **Tech & Learning Awards of Excellence**

Enterprise - FLVS Online Learning Community

## **Learning! 100 Award for Excellence in Collaboration**

Ranked 4th - FLVS Online Learning Community

## **Silver IMS Global Learning Impact Award**

Simply Speak Language Tool

## **USDLA Excellence in Teaching**

Melissa Martin - FLVS Teacher of the Year

## **SIIA CODiE – Finalist**

M/J Coding Fundamentals course (2 categories)

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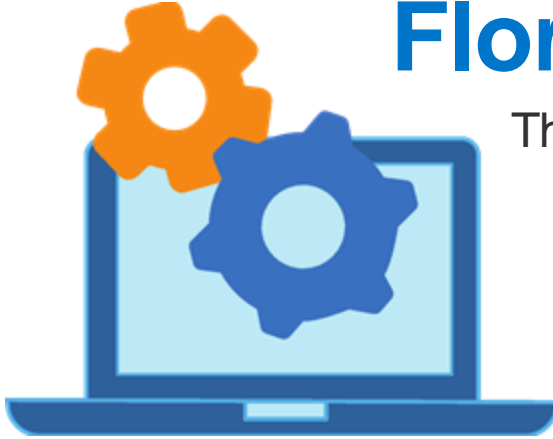
# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

# Florida Virtual School

The fully accredited online school built for personalized learning

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**244,839**

students served  
in 2020-21

**4.3 MILLION**

semester completions  
over the past 10 years

**190+**

online  
courses



## Full Curriculum

for Kindergarten through Grade 12



**15**

Advanced Placement  
courses

**7**

Cambridge AICE  
Diploma courses

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state averages on AP and EOC exams



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average



FLVS serves all students:  
Public | Private | Charter  
Homeschool



FLVS flexibility is great for:  
Military | Hospital/Homebound  
Athletes | Artists | and More



Why students take FLVS:  
24/7 Access | Graduate Early  
Access From Anywhere

**All 67**

Florida school districts  
work with FLVS



**460,782**

semester completions in  
FLVS County Virtual Schools



**14,000+**

Education Professionals nationwide  
trained by FLVS in 2020-21

3 ways to take an FLVS course:  
FLVS FLEX | FLVS FULL TIME  
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FLVS digital curriculum is used in:  
48 STATES | 65 COUNTRIES  
3 U.S. TERRITORIES

**97% of FLVS  
Students**

share positive feedback  
about their online courses



**94% of parents**

Believe online learning has a  
positive impact on their children's  
ability to understand courses



**87% of teachers**

Agree teaching online allows for  
better 1:1 connection with students  
compared to brick-and-mortar setting



Successfully completing an online course builds important and highly desirable soft skills such as: time management, acting honestly, appropriate online behavior, virtual collaboration, and more. FLVS is proud to serve all students and to prepare them for a successful future!

Visit [www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net) for more information.

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