

**ATHOL HIGH SCHOOL
VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL AGREEMENT AND APPLICATION**

Date: _____

Students and Parents;

The Athol Royalston Regional School Committee, the school superintendent and the Athol High School administration have entered an agreement with VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL to offer online courses for our students.

“VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL (VHS) is a non-profit organization that collaborates with schools to offer online, content-rich, credit bearing high school courses to students across the country and around the world”.

Each semester Athol High School will have a limited number of district paid slots for students use. Courses will be taken during school time as part of a student’s schedule in the school library monitored by the school librarian, Sharon Euvrard. Each course is taught by a certified teacher contracted with VHS. The grading of the course will be done by the VHS teacher. In accordance with our credit schedule, one credit will be awarded for the successful completion of the course. The numeric grade will be averaged into the student’s grade point average and the course will have an honors designation for ranking, unless it is an Advanced Placement course which then will have the AP designation.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Student must be a junior or senior
- Student must have serious commitment to complete the course
- Student cannot take courses already offered at Athol High School
- Student must have grade point average of 80 or better
- Student cannot be in violation of the school’s attendance policy and must have a good conduct record
- The principal, the department chairperson of the requested course area, the guidance chairperson and parent(s) must approve the student’s participation
- The principal has the discretionary authority to recommend a student or conditions of participation that do not meet the above criteria

PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

- Student must follow all Athol High School and VHS rules concerning course work, timely assignments, the no cheating rule and daily attendance
- All copy right laws and policies must be followed at all times
- Student must use assigned VHS course period for VHS work only
- Student must follow Athol High School Internet Policy

Please sign this agreement and return it to the guidance office – copy will be made for you. The student will register for a course through the school librarian: the student should list three choices in order of preference in case seats of the first choice are filled. Student will take only one course per semester:

Course One _____

Course Two _____

Course Three _____

Upon a successful registration, the selected course will be circled and initialed by the school librarian.

Principal _____ Department Chairperson _____

Guidance Chairperson _____

Parent _____ Student _____

Supervisor _____