

July 21, 2020

Dear eLearners, Parents, and Guardians,

I want to officially welcome and thank you for choosing Guilford eLearning University Prep (6-8) where we *intentionally transform online education and life outcomes for all eLearners* (students). Our mission is to prepare your child to compete and succeed globally—all within a flexible learning environment of your choosing.

We are committed to providing your child in grades 6-8 with a learning experience that is:

- innovative
- rigorous
- personalized

This letter is to confirm your reassignment to Guilford eLearning University Prep (6-8) for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have received this letter in error, please contact our office immediately to ensure your student is assigned to the proper school for next school year.

Preparing for the Year

As you prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, we want you to have some important information about what to expect. In mid-July, you will receive more details about:

- your eLearner schedule and virtual orientation dates and times
- laptop and textbook distribution dates and times
- virtual eLearning expectations
- eLearning supply list

Below is general information for the beginning of the year.

Leadership

I'm excited to be the first principal of University Prep. I come to you with an educational experience spanning grades 6 through 12, first as a EVASS Level 5 middle school math teacher at Hairston Middle School, an instructional coach at Northeast Middle School, an assistant principal at Northeast Middle School, where we *exceeded growth*, and the principal of Dean B. Pruette SCALE Academy, serving students in grades 6 through 12. I am also elated to bring my skills as an educational leader to our staff and to work with you as a partner in education to ensure our students' success. I have a BS in Electrical Engineering from Virginia Tech and have received a Master of Arts in Teaching & Learning, Master of School Administration and Specialist in Education degree from UNC-Greensboro. I am presently pursuing my Doctorate in Educational Leadership from UNC-Greensboro. I also have experience in working with numerous digital tools and platforms to enhance the eLearning experience.

Courses & Instruction

Through the eLearning experience, eLearners will receive a full range of supports such as 1:1 personalized instruction, small group opportunities with peers, participation in Core Lab activities, and/or access to on-demand lessons.

Guilford eLearning University Prep (6-8) follows the North Carolina State Standards for all core and encore subject areas.

Courses:

- We offer all middle school core courses and various digital tools to enhance learning while also offering advanced level courses.
- Courses could include English Language Arts, Accelerated Math, AIMM, Math 1 and Math 2, and Computer Science Across the Curriculum.
- <u>Download full Course Offerings PDF.</u>

Our eTeachers

- All of our courses are taught by highly qualified eTeachers who are certified and trained to deliver engaging instruction online.
- eTeachers will also inspire students to positively contribute to and responsibly participate in the digital world in a safe virtual environment by participating in virtual social activities, clubs, mentorships, field trips, and events to celebrate and recognize eLearner achievements.

Online Engagement Time

- Expect on average three to six hours per day and 15-30 hours per week.
- Built-in flexibility for pacing and learning to move faster or slower.
- eLearners can track their own eLearning progress towards their goals with constant feedback to ensure completion by the end of the school year.

Let's Stay in Touch

The staff and I look forward to getting to know you and your child. To get the most updated information, I encourage you to visit our many communication channels. As a virtual school, our primary mode of communication is via email.

• Website: www.gcsnc.com/universityprep

Facebook: @geuniversityprepTwitter: @guniversityprepInstagram: @geuniversityprep

Thank you for choosing University Prep. This is going to be a great year! Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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