

# WHAT DO THESE WORDS MEAN?

## VIRTUAL LEARNING TERMS FOR PARENTS TO KNOW

### Hybrid Learning

a mix of in-person and online education (sometimes called blended learning)

### Cohort / Hub

another word for group

### Audio Conferencing / Conference Call

a phone call with several people at one time

### Asynchronous Learning

learning on your own time (sometimes called Independent Learning or Self-Paced)

### Chat / Chat Room / Chat Box

a way to communicate by typing text during an online class or presentation



### Synchronous Learning

learning with others at a scheduled time (this can also be called in-person classroom, virtual classroom, video conferencing, or audio conferencing)

### Breakout Groups / Breakout Rooms

students are divided into online groups for activities or learning

### Discussion Board

a place for the teacher or student to share information in writing (also called online whiteboard)

### Accessible

available in a way that is easy to understand, read, use, and/or process

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### **Virtual Learning**

learning that happens online with computer, tablet, or smartphone (can also be called e-learning, distance learning, web-based learning, remote learning, online learning, distance education, internet learning)

### **Module**

a group of online lessons around a specific topic

### **Webinar**

a live or recorded online presentation

### **Learning Platform**

a program the school uses for online learning (includes things like Blackboard, Canvas, Virtual Virginia, Google Classroom)



### **Face-To-Face**

teaching that happens in person usually in the school building

### **Share Screen**

instructor or student presenting what is on their own online screen for others to see

### **FlipGrid**

one online way for students and teachers to use videos to share information

### **Virtual Classroom**

instructors and students connecting online using a learning platform

### **Multimedia**

communicating using text, images, audio, video or animation

