



# Remote Education Plan



**Why are we implementing remote Education (RE)?**  
New York State Department of Education has recommended implementation of remote education for all students.



**How are we implementing the RE policy?**  
We have introduced to our community two additional learning spaces that will complement instruction.



**What are our expectations?**  
We expect that students will continue to learn from their teachers through our remote education plan.

## Introduction

The Academy Charter School takes pride in its ability to keep our children safe, while helping them to become world class scholars and citizens who will learn today, lead tomorrow and serve in the future. Our Online Learning plan keeps this mantra at its core.

We created a blend of Video-Supported Instruction (VSI) and Virtual Learning (VL) to guide student’s education from a distance.

## Live Instruction

Your child is required to log into a video classroom to receive live instruction from his/her teacher. His/her school/teacher will send via Dojo, Remind, Email or telephone: a schedule of lessons, zoom web address, Meeting ID and a password to use daily to access their lessons.

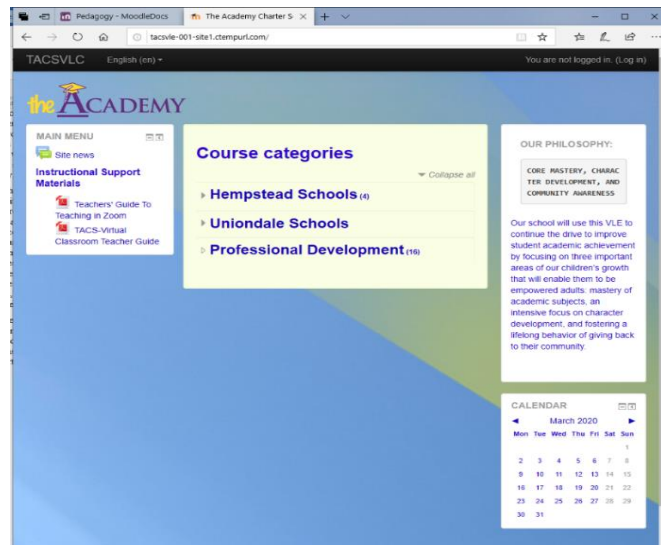
## Online Instruction

We have created a virtual classroom for every grade level and subjects that are a part of the New York State’s Board of Education curriculum. Your child has been added to his/her appropriate classrooms. He/she can access their virtual classroom or classes by logging into our virtual learning environment.

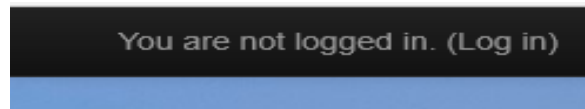
To login he/she must type the following web address into an internet browser:

**[tacsvirtualclassrooms.org](https://tacsvirtualclassrooms.org)**

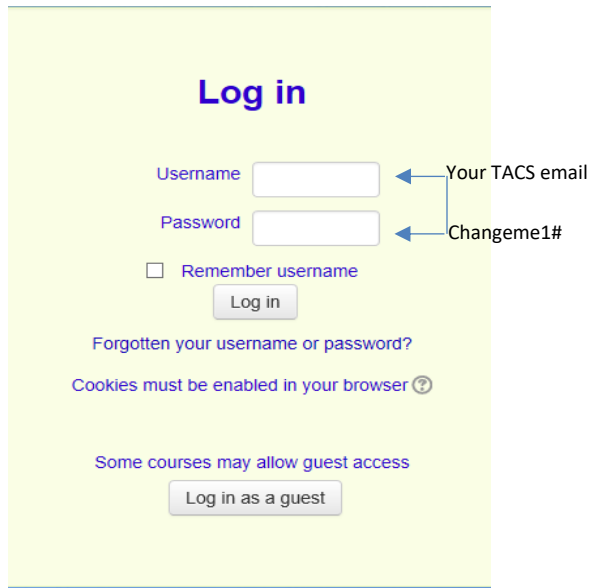
Click enter to be taken to The Academy Charter School’s Virtual Learning Environment (VLE). Environment (VLE).



To log into the VLE, click on the word log in button, which is in the upper right corner of the page.



The log in page will pop up



The screenshot shows a login page with the following elements:

- Log in** (title)
- Username** field: Annotated with "Your TACS email" and an arrow pointing to the input box.
- Password** field: Annotated with "Changeme1#" and an arrow pointing to the input box.
- Remember username**
- Log in** button
- [Forgotten your username or password?](#)
- [Cookies must be enabled in your browser](#) ⓘ
- [Some courses may allow guest access](#)
- Log in as a guest** button

### Logging In

All users must login to access their classes. To log in type:

- the student's academy email address in the **Username** field;
- Changeme1# in the **Password** field

Then click the **Log In** button.

**Note** that, all elementary school students were recently assigned a school email address. If you did not receive this information, please contact your school via telephone, text message or email, for details.

### The Leadership Team

Our leadership team has a robust plan in place to educate all students remotely. The instructional team created new class schedules to guide us. These schedules were communicated via telephone, email, SMS, Dojo and Remind.

Teachers are doing everything to ensure that students will have rich experiences with remote education. They can embed over 15 different types of activities and resources (forums, glossaries, wikis, assignments, quizzes, choices (polls), SCORM players, databases etc) in the virtual classrooms to bring lessons to life. All these tools can be

customized to make accommodations for all learners.

The real power of remote education will come from the fact that teachers can combine the activities into sequences and groups, to guide students through learning paths. Therefore, each activity can build on the outcomes of previous ones.

There are also tools available that make it easier for teachers to build communities of learners, such as blogs, messaging, participant lists etc, as well as useful tools like grading, reports, integration with other systems and so on.

All these capabilities are in support of true 21st century teaching and learning. Your child will be engaged and enriched by their participation.

### Parents

**How can you help? Ensure that your child:**

- has access to technology e.g. a computer, tablet or smart phone*
- connection to the internet*
- a comfortable and quiet place to work during video- and virtual classes.*

**Remind your child to:**

- attend classes online everyday as the continuation of their education is important.*
- complete classwork and assignments on time.*

### Join Us!

We invite you to partner with us to ensure that your child's education continues with excellence. Help us to keep our promise to provide students with a world class education that is 2nd to none.

