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LEARNING  
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We're so glad you found your link.

# Welcome to **LINK LEARNING**

At Link Learning, you can. We believe all students deserve an educational community that sees the good in them, sees their potential, believes in their possibilities, and provides a fresh start for success, so they can find the future they deserve.

Don't let struggles with traditional education hold you back. With our first-class centers, one-on-one and small group teaching assistance, free use of a computer and internet access, you're empowered to learn at your own pace with the support of our welcoming and inclusive learning environment.

With your personalized plan, we set expectations to help you stay accountable to your own success. With ongoing online or on-site check ins, we help you stay engaged. As with any programs, students are expected to work hard, stay on pace, and reach out for extra assistance at any point you are feeling overwhelmed. We know life can be complicated and no matter what your circumstances, we are here to help.

## **ALL STUDENTS RECEIVE FREE ACCESS TO:**

- + Laptop
- + Internet Service
- + One-to-One Teacher Student Access
- + Online Classes
- + Drop-In Centers Statewide

## **STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO:**

- + Work on one course at a time to help stay focused and ensure success
- + Make 25% progress in class each week to keep on track to finish a course in 4 weeks (or 5% per day if you log in five days per week)
- + Communicate at least weekly with their teacher. Daily communication is encouraged.

# STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

## Program Expectations

1. Weekly progress goal: 25% progress in class every week, or making 5% progress every day if you log in 5 days per week (Each progress week starts Wednesday at 12:00AM and concludes the next Tuesday at 11:59:59PM)
2. Weekly conversation with your teacher (2-3 times per week)
3. Parent/Guardian Involvement (Minors)
4. 2 to 5 weeks with no contact means that you are truant
  - Phone Call, Text message, Center Attendance
  - Pulse Communications Application
  - Google Hangouts
  - Email

## Supports from Staff

- Progress goals are established so that you will complete 12 classes over the course of the school year. Working below your progress goal will take you longer to graduate, working above the goal moves your graduation day closer.
- Supports will be put in place if you are having difficulty reaching your progress goal. Engaging in supports is for your benefit.
- Supports are not limited to, but may include, increased:
  - Login Rate
  - Communication
  - Time on Task
  - Center Attendance

## Truancy Policy

Center staff meet every week to evaluate whether or not a student qualifies as truant. The following criteria may be used to determine truancy:

- The student does not contact their teacher during a week or more
- The student is not completing required coursework at an appropriate level (attendance measurement)
- The student does not fulfill the requirements of a Learning Contract

If the student is deemed truant because of any one of the above criteria, the truancy process begins.

# TECHNOLOGY USAGE

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## Pulse Comm App Installation



1. Install on your Chromebook and your phone
2. Search "Pulse Comm" on the App Store or Google Play. Download the app with this thumbnail.
3. Allow notifications
4. Use your cell phone number to activate the app and send a test message to your teacher/paraprofessional.

When the app is not in use, but a message is sent, you will receive a notification. The notification will appear as a red dot on the app thumbnail.

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## Computer/Tech Issues

Technical issues are not an excuse for lack of progress. Contact the center immediately and we can help.

Internet mifi's have a 500MB limit and reset at midnight. Between 12AM-6AM the sites are limited. Mifi's should only be connected to our equipment.

We can see what you do on our equipment. (websites visited)

Your equipment is borrowed not owned (Review Technology Policy)



# IMPORTANT DATES

## 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

- AUG 28** | **First Day of School**
- SEPT 1, 4** | **Labor Day Holiday**
- OCT 4** | **Fall Count Day**  
Student Attendance Required
- NOV 22-24** | **Thanksgiving Break**  
Half Day on 22nd
- DEC 25-JAN 5** | **Winter Break**
- JAN 8** | **School Resumes**
- JAN 15** | **MLK Day**  
No School for Students or Staff
- JAN 19** | **End of First Semester**
- JAN 22** | **Second Semester Begins**
- FEB 5-MAR 22** | **WIDA Testing Window**  
Specific dates will be announced
- FEB 14** | **Spring Count Day**  
Student Attendance Required
- MAR 22-MAR 28** | **Spring Break**  
Harrison, Merrill, Three Rivers, Schoolcraft, St. Louis, Vassar, Central Montcalm, Lakeview, Tri-County, Marquette, Menominee, Escanaba
- MAR 29** | **Good Friday**  
No School
- APR 1-APR 5** | **Spring Break**  
Alpine, Alger, Fuller, Belding
- APR 8-MAY 1** | **SAT, PSAT 9 & 10, M-Step, ACT WorkKeys** Dates TBD. Centers will be closed on testing days. Student Attendance Required
- MAY 27** | **Memorial Day**  
No School
- JUN 4** | **Half Day**
- JUN 5** | **Last Scheduled Day of School**
- JUN 10** | **Summer Session Begins**
- JUL 1-5** | **Independence Day**  
Centers Closed
- JUL 26** | **Last Day of Summer School**

# CENTER CONTACT INFORMATION

Find the support you need

All Center Hours: Monday–Friday 8:00AM–3:00PM

## ALGER HEIGHTS

2035 28th St. SE, Ste Y  
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F | 616-350-9761

## ALPINE

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F | 616-570-0634

## BELDING

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Belding, MI 48809

P | 616-244-3553  
F | 616-244-3551

## CENTRAL MONTCALM

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Stanton, MI 48888

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## ESCANABA

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Escanaba, MI 49829

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## HARRISON

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Harrison, MI 48625

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F | 989-703-5926

## LAKEVIEW

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Lakeview, MI 48850

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## MARQUETTE EXTENSION OFFICE

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Menominee, MI 49858

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## SCHOOLCRAFT

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Schoolcraft, MI 49087

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## ST. LOUIS

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## THREE RIVERS

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Three Rivers, MI 49093

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## TRI COUNTY

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Howard City, MI 49329

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## VASSAR

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Vassar, MI 48768

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## help them find their Link.

Do you have a friend or family member you think would like to join our school?

Simply visit [linklearning.org/referafriend](https://linklearning.org/referafriend) and complete the short form. We'll follow up with a quick email or phone call to see if they want to join Link Learning and **find the future they deserve.**

Where there is connection, there is opportunity.  
**Find your link.**

[enroll@linklearning.org](mailto:enroll@linklearning.org)

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