

## Additional Program Details

### ABOUT

While housed at Estrella Foothills Global Academy (EFGA) the Laveen Online Academy is its own school. LOA students are not enrolled in any other Laveen school nor do they receive programming specific to any of the district's nine schools. Estrella Foothills only provides the space for on-site testing and opportunities for extracurricular activities. EFGA's personnel provide administrative support and oversight while district-level teams develop content and offer technical support. Laveen Online Academy is a full-year program and students do not alternate between on-site and online learning.

### ON-CAMPUS VISITS

State and some district assessments are required to be administered in person. LOA students will be required to take these exams on the EFGA campus. Additionally, families may need to visit the school to obtain instructional materials for upcoming lessons.



### PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Parent involvement plays a critical role in the success of online learning. Parents are expected to be available during your child's online learning to help guide them through the modules and ensure they are understanding the content. Parents/guardians of LOA students will be required to participate in a parent orientation at the beginning of the year.

### REGISTRATION

To register, families may begin the enrollment process using our online portal. You may also print registration forms from our website or pick them up from any Laveen school office. Required documents such as the child's birth certificate, proof of residency, and custodial documents must be presented in-person to EFGA's front office to complete the registration process. [www.laveenschools.org/registration](http://www.laveenschools.org/registration)

## District Offered Programs

### ACADEMIC SPECIALS

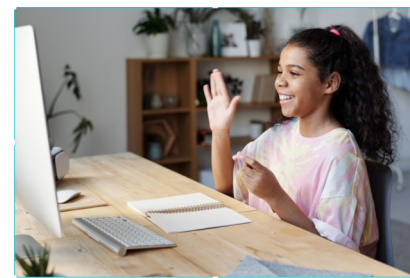
LOA students will receive instruction in art, P.E. , and music virtually.

### GIFTED EDUCATION

Laveen's gifted education program provides services for students with superior intellect or advanced learning ability who require differentiated educational programs and/or services beyond those normally provided by the regular school program to achieve at levels commensurate with the child's intellect and ability. Because not all gifted students are alike, program modifications for gifted students are sufficiently varied and flexible so as to provide challenging learning experiences and appropriate resources. [www.laveenschools.org/gifted-education](http://www.laveenschools.org/gifted-education)

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Special education is available for students found to be eligible for and in need of special education services. The school provides Special Education according to an individualized education program (IEP) which provides a free and appropriate public education. Services may be provided virtually and IEPs may be modified to reflect this delivery method or students may be required to receive services in person at EFGA. [www.laveenschools.org/student-services](http://www.laveenschools.org/student-services)

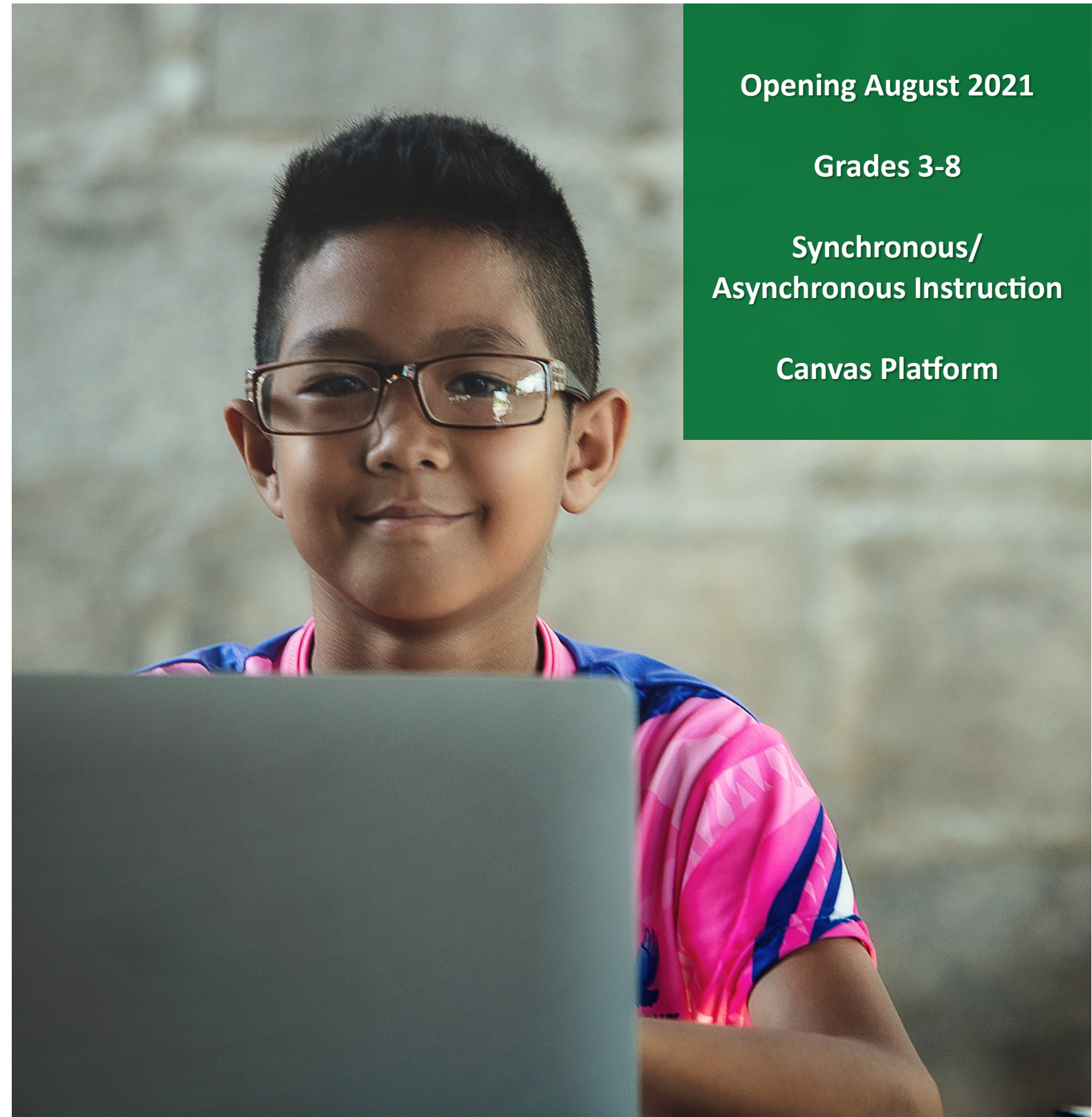


Opening August 2021

Grades 3-8

Synchronous/  
Asynchronous Instruction

Canvas Platform



Laveen Online Academy  
Digital Learning

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## About our Program

The Laveen Online Academy is designed with the individual needs of students in mind with the flexibility to adjust technology settings, customize learning experiences, create communication supports and offer content to meet the needs of different learning styles.

Using both synchronous and asynchronous learning, the LOA's structure will include daily live teacher-led instruction, self-guided learning, and applications such as labs, group projects, and book studies.

Serving Grades 3-8, the LOA is best suited for the student who is self-motivated, demonstrates academic mastery of grade-level content and thrives emotionally in a virtual environment. LOA students should have adult supervision during the school day, a designated learning space to engage in live lessons and complete assignments, and access to reliable internet service.

Students enrolled in the Laveen Online Academy participate in online learning for the entire school year and do not transition to traditional on-site learning.

## Core Curriculum

### MATH

Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards require students to demonstrate a deep understanding of math and develop strong critical thinking skills. Laveen's mathematics curriculum includes McGraw-Hill's *My Math* for Grades 3-5 and *Glencoe Mathematics* for Grades 6-8. These programs are aligned to Arizona's standards and have a digital platform giving students the ability to access resources, activities, and other online tools.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards for English Language Arts call for an integrated approach to teaching reading, writing, language, speaking and listening. Laveen strives to promote literacy across all of the content areas, exposing students to a rich balance of fiction and nonfiction texts. Students read selections from a wide range of text types and integrate research, writing, and media skills through the use of student technology devices. Laveen adopted new ELA curriculum in 2020 that includes Savvas ReadyGen for Grades 3-5 and McGraw-Hill StudySync for Grades 6-8. Both programs feature traditional and digital learning platforms.

### SCIENCE

Discovery Education's Science Techbook is completely digital, allowing the content to be continually refreshed. The curriculum engages students in authentic scenarios that reflect the practices of science and engineering in the real world using digital media and interactive virtual learning activities. A combination of interactive features, videos, photographs, and audio recordings are used to create an inquiry-based learning format. It offers enrichment opportunities for advanced students to investigate science in greater depth while also providing intervention resources for struggling learners. Science Techbook meets both Arizona's current science standards as well as the Next Generation Science Standards.

### SOCIAL STUDIES

The Arizona History and Social Science Standards build across grade levels in a progression of knowing and applying concepts aligned to history, government, geography and economics. Discovery Education's Social Studies Techbook was implemented in the 2017-18 school year and is used in Grades 5-8. Using a digital platform, Social Studies Techbook offers engaging videos, photographs, and interactive maps.



### PROGRAM STRUCTURE

The LOA will utilize both synchronous (live teacher-led instruction, group work) and asynchronous (self-guided, independent) learning.

The LOA structure is comprised of three learning modules:

1. Prepare for Learning: Students will participate in self-guided learning prior to the live lessons. This may include taking a virtual field trip or pre-test.
2. Daily Live Lessons: Students will be required to log in at a specific time and participate in 45 to 90-minute blocks of live instruction for each core subject area. This includes enrichment and small group work. Instruction will also be provided in special areas, including art, PE, and music.
3. Learning Application: Students will participate in activities that reinforce the daily lessons. This may include labs, book studies, group projects, science projects, etc.

Student Success Time will be offered outside of the core instructional time for tutoring.

### INSTRUCTIONAL DELIVERY

Laveen Online Academy will be using the Canvas platform to provide virtual lessons with GoogleMeet embedded in the live lesson module. Canvas is a robust platform that serves as a hub for lessons, assignments, curriculum, and digital tools. Students will be able to navigate through their classes directly through the Canvas menus without opening multiple tabs or pages.

### STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

As a school-within-a-school at Estrella Foothills, Laveen Online Academy students will have an opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities including intramural sports. Participants may be required to visit the campus in-person to participate in these offerings.



### TECHNOLOGY

Thanks to the support of Laveen's community, the district has a 1:1 student-to-computer ratio providing each student with a device that they can use daily. The devices complement the district's core curriculum, which all have digital platforms, allowing students access to instructional materials and resources online. Arizona's academic standards require students to use technology to research, collaborate, and demonstrate their learning. All students have user accounts which can be accessed from home to share documents and projects with other students and the teacher. Laveen's technology team will be available to assist with any technical issues that may arise. Laveen provides a Parent Help-Desk in which families may submit work orders or technical questions.