

Online Blended Learning

What is the SOEP? SOEP stands for "State Online Education Program". This program allows students to participate in Online Blended Learning through Saint John the Baptist Middle School. SJBMS uses the SOEP to advance its commitment to *blended online learning*. Blended online learning combines classroom instruction with online content and technology to provide students with the best of both learning experiences. Most other schools used the SOEP only for pure online learning whereby the student interacted with a course electronically with no teacher or classroom learning involved. Our goal was to transform all of our classes into blended online learning courses. We partnered with Canyons School District to help with the requirements of the Utah State Board of Education (USBE). We partnered with Arizona State University Prep Digital (ASUPD) to enhance blended online learning by using the resources of a major university to help us develop the high school courses. ASUPD helped us with online learning resources to aid our curriculum and teacher development. This partnership also permitted our students to take ASU's online college courses.

****You signed permission in the handbook for your students to participate in this program and can review that document by logging into PowerSchool under Forms****

What is SEATS? SEATS stands for "Student Enrollment and Tracking System" This is the system that the Utah State Board of Education uses when enrolling your student in the State Online Education Program (SOEP) your student participates in at SJBMS. The emails may come from SEATS indicating the course was through one of our two partners:

- Canyons School District
- Juab School District/ ASUPD

Why am I getting emails from SEATS? You may be getting emails from SEATS for the following reasons:

- Your student's enrollment application was received and is pending.
- Your student's status has changed from pending to accepted.
- Your student's enrollment was denied due to a duplicate request. Meaning they have already taken this course and do not qualify for the SOEP.
- Your student has passed their class and they are sending you verification of their completion. *This could pertain to current courses or courses they took in the past.*
- Your student has received an Incomplete or Failing grade for a course they took last semester or past school years. *This could pertain to current courses or courses they took in the past.*
- Your student received an Incomplete or Failing grade and did not remediate the course their enrollment is closed. *This could pertain to current courses or courses they took in the past.*
- Your student has withdrawn from a course. In this instance, you would also receive a letter from SJBMS outlining the process of completing the course should you choose to do so.

How do these SEATS emails affect my student?

- In most instances, this email is purely informational.
- If you receive an email notification about a **"denied enrollment due to a duplicate request"**, my team and I handle those on the administrative side. Your student will still take their classes as normal at SJBMS and they will still receive credit towards graduation as long as they pass the class.
- If you receive an email notification about **"receiving an Incomplete for Failing grade"** then your student will be contacted by their classroom teacher about what they need to do to make up the credit for a passing grade. They will still take their classes at SJBMS as normal and will still receive credit towards graduation as long as they pass the class.
- If you receive an email notification about **"enrollment being closed"** this just means that SEATS has closed the enrollment due to an Incomplete or Failing grade. Your student will still be allowed to make up their credit and should they complete the remediation work determined by their classroom teacher, my team and I will send that grade change to the state and your student will receive an update from SEATS. Your student will still take their current classes as normal and should they make up the remedial work will still be able to count that credit toward graduation.

In all circumstances, your student will still continue their current course load and will still receive credit toward graduation as long as they pass the class or they complete the makeup work necessary for remediation.

Should you have any questions please feel free to email me or call me on my office phone.