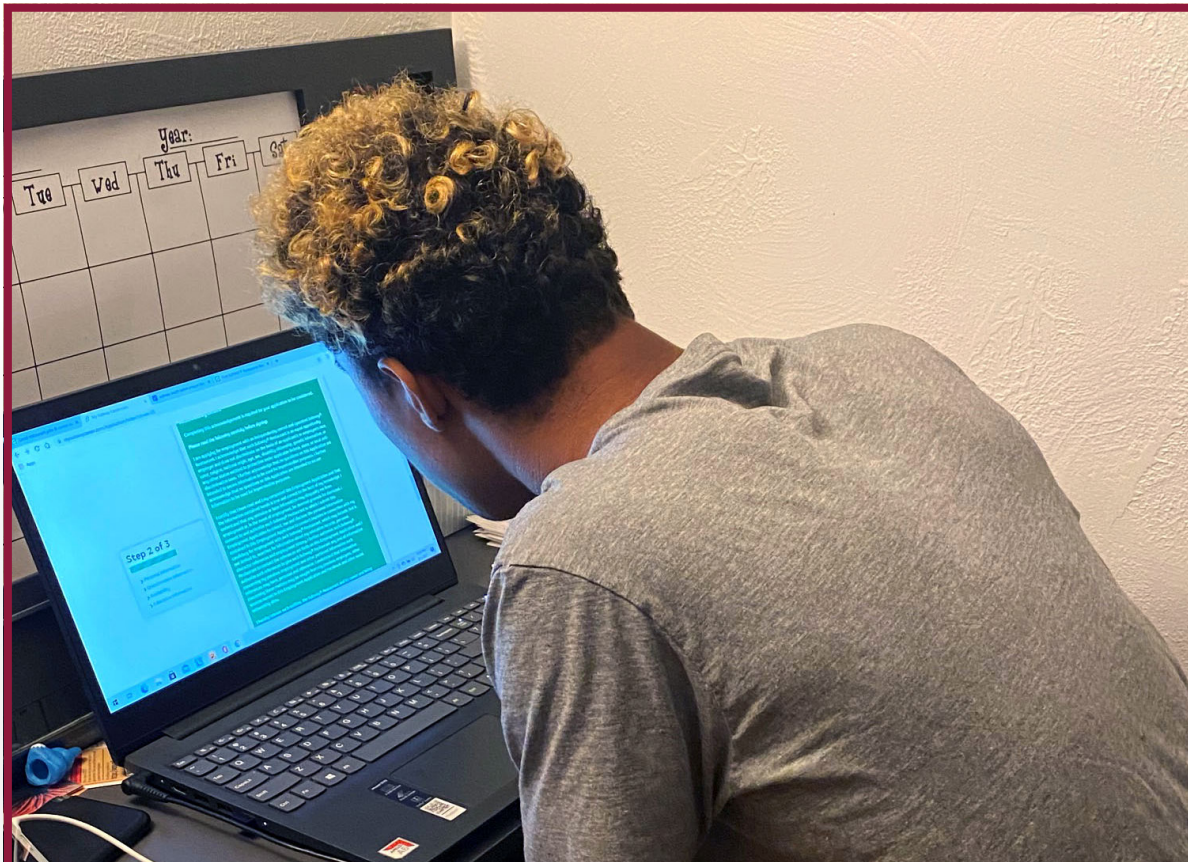




Enhanced Digital and Guided Education
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EDGE Admission Application Packet



2022-2023 School Year



503-399-3041
infoedgeprogram@salkeiz.k12.or.us

Our Mission: The EDGE program will provide all their enrolled students a pathway towards graduation and prepare EDGE students for a successful life.

Instructions for EDGE Admission Application

1. Please read all the attached materials. If you have additional questions or concerns, please call the EDGE Office 503-399-3041 or email us at infoedgeprogram@salkeiz.k12.or.us
2. An opportunity to learn more about EDGE for prospective students and their families are scheduled.

Two optional Parent Informational Nights will be held on **March 10th 6:00 pm-7:00 pm** and **March 15th 6:00-7:00 pm**. Both nights will be virtual. Link will be provided via the EDGE Website.

<https://edge.salkeiz.k12.or.us/>

3. Completed [application form](#) must be received in the EDGE office by **4:00 p.m. on March 31st**. Late applications will not be part of the initial admissions process and will be placed on a waitlist after the applications that were submitted on time.
4. If more applications are received than there are available openings, a lottery will be held. The lottery will be **April 8th**. The lottery will be held by the EDGE administration team. Students who are drawn for admission will be contacted by email and mail. All other applicants will be contacted by mail and given their lottery draw number and place on the waiting list.
5. To accept your student's position for the 2022-23 school year, you must complete all attached documents sent in welcome email either electronically or by returning them in person by **April 29th by 4:00 pm** to the EDGE office. If we do not receive these documents by the deadline, **your position will be given to the next place on the waiting list.**
6. Your student must be enrolled and have a student number in Salem Keizer School District to be accepted into the EDGE program. If you are new to the Salem Keizer School District or have a student entering kindergarten for the first time, **you must enroll at your resident school before admission can be granted into the EDGE program.**



Application Link

If you need assistance completing the application or have questions please contact the EDGE office for an appointment to discuss the process. 503-399-3041

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1F36dT1knVSHCGIsR_ktbv97XcBwRwAEqAmzIJOD9fqk/edit



The EDGE Program

Established in 2020, the EDGE program is a K-12 program within the Salem-Keizer public school system. This program was created to meet the needs of families seeking an alternative pathway towards graduation and support student development of digital literacy skills. EDGE's curriculum is standards based, incorporates digital tools, and is measured by proficiency-based assessments. EDGE students, while enrolled in the program, continue to have access to their resident schools for resources such as athletics, before and after school clubs, as well as other extracurricular activities. EDGE students will take part in their resident school's graduation ceremony and receive a diploma from their resident high school.

The EDGE program currently offers multiple pathways for students to complete their course work.

EDGE Connected Pathway: EDGE Connected is for families who want access to a live teacher in a more structured virtual classroom setting, where EDGE sets the daily schedule. The EDGE teacher will be the primary deliverer of instruction and the family will provide support and monitoring. Live instruction will occur daily.

EDGE Independent Pathway: EDGE Independent is for families who want more flexibility in their daily schedule. The EDGE teacher provides access to instructional materials which the student progresses through independently. Family is the primary support with access to a teacher for additional assistance as needed.

Disclaimer: All 6th and 9th graders will start out in the EDGE Connected Pathway until they work with their EDGE Counselor and demonstrate the skills necessary to be successful in the EDGE Independent Pathway.

All students in grades K-12 will have an advisory time with a teacher who will be their advocate and mentor. This teacher will help your student with organization and support them in being a successful learner. For more information on what other classes may be offered and available for students in grades 9-12 please visit the [EDGE website](#) and select our [Course Catalog](#). Please note classes are offered based on student need and graduation requirements.

Note: To be successful, exemplary attendance is necessary and students should enter with age appropriate technological skills. These skills will assist your students in being successful in an online educational program. For more information and answers to frequently asked questions please visit the following website, <https://edge.salkeiz.k12.or.us/faqs/>.

Admission Process for EDGE Program

The official admissions process will begin in February of each year for enrollment in the EDGE program for the upcoming school year. Current enrolled EDGE students will automatically be re-enrolled for the upcoming school year, unless the family notifies the EDGE program that they wish to withdraw from the program.

Admission to EDGE is open to all students who are currently enrolled and reside in the Salem-Keizer School District **at the time of application**. EDGE students are required to be concurrently enrolled at their resident/neighborhood school and the EDGE Program.

Due to space and enrollment limits, EDGE will give preference to students from inside the Salem Keizer School District. Out of district students will be admitted only if space is available after waiting lists are exhausted and the student has an approved intra-district transfer request on file.

No student will be admitted to EDGE unless an application was completed during the admissions' process. Any application received outside the enrollment window will be added to the waitlist. Waitlist names will be reviewed and contacted if space becomes available during the year in the order in which they were received.

If more students apply for EDGE admission than can be accommodated, admission will be decided through a lottery system after waivers are granted. Waivers from the lottery will be granted to the following incoming students who have submitted a complete application by the admission deadline:

- Applicants who **WILL HAVE A SIBLING** enrolled in EDGE at the time of attendance and who have been enrolled during the previous year.
- An application is required by **EACH** student regardless of sibling status.

After waivers have been granted and the lottery conducted, all applicants will be placed on a waitlist in order of their lottery number. The list will be kept for one school year, and students will be called if and when an opening in their grade occurs in the order they are on the waitlist.

If more than one student from a family applies for admission in the same year, multiples seeking admission will be assigned one lottery number (family number). If this number is drawn then all siblings in that family will be offered admission. **An application PER STUDENT is still required.**

Withdrawals: When a student withdraws **voluntarily** from EDGE to attend another public school, private school or be home-schooled, the student relinquishes their place in the EDGE program. If the student changes their mind, they may ask to reenter, but their name will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist for admission and be contacted when space becomes available.

When a student withdraws **involuntarily** for medical reasons, that student maintains their place in the EDGE program.

When admission situations arise that are not within the guidelines outlined here, the final decision will be made by the administrative team.