

Schools: How to Apply

The eLearning Consortium offers a variety of Membership formats

- Full School Membership K-12
- Small School Membership K-12
- K-8 School Membership
- Out of Province Seat Purchase and Special Promotions

School Full Membership (for K-12 schools with over 100 students)

Full Member Schools receive:

- Access to all ELCC Online Courses and Modules
- Courses/Modules hosted on Blackboard's latest LMS with Collaborate Synchronous Tools
- Block of 20 student seats per year
- Half price on additional blocks of seats
- Professional Development for teachers including developing and delivering an online Course or Module (AQ credit course in partnership with UOIT (University of Ontario Institute of Technology))
- Teacher leadership and learning opportunities
- Training for Site Administrators
- Policy and Procedure support for all aspect of the full year program
- Participation in ELCC Committees and online Meetings

Member Schools provide:

- One or more online courses
- One teacher per course who will create and/or deliver an exemplary ELCC online course
- A Site Administrator who provides student support and liaison between teachers and students and an IT Support Staff member

Member Schools are responsible for:

- Shared Reporting and Provision Ontario Credit
- In school component of Final Evaluations
- Student / Teacher selection, Site Administrator management and support

Small School Full Membership

- A small school is one that has fewer than 100 students
- They receive all the same components but they receive only ten online seats
- The membership fee is significantly reduced

K-8 Schools

K-8 Member Schools receive:

- Access to all ELCC Online Modules
- Students may take a grade 9 or 10 Ontario Credit for enrichment if approved by the school
- Modules hosted on Blackboard's latest LMS with Collaborate Synchronous Tools
- Block of 20 student seats per year (equivalent to 60 Module seats)
- Reduced prices on additional blocks of seats
- Professional Development for teachers including developing and delivering an online Module (AQ credit course in partnership with UOIT (University of Ontario Institute of Technology))
- Teacher leadership and learning opportunities
- Training for Site Administrators
- Policy and Procedure support

K-8 Small Schools

Schools less than 100 students receive a reduced membership fee. All other aspects remain the same

Out of Province Schools and Special Promotions:

In addition to regular memberships, ELCC does provide promotional opportunities for new schools both inside and outside of Ontario to explore our online learning. These seats are offered for a limited period of time, to give potential members an opportunity to test our online learning in their organization.

Out of Province Block Seat Purchase or Introductory year for Ontario schools

- Schools can apply to purchase blocks of 5 or 10 seats for the year
- Schools do not have to provide a teacher or provide an Ontario credit
- A Site Administrator is required
- School members may sit on committees and participate in professional development opportunities
- Blocks of seats are more expensive than in the full membership model

For all pricing, please contact the Director of eLearning at: directorelcc@yahoo.com or by phone at: 416-677-2304

Value Reasons to belong to the eLearning Consortium Canada

1. It is Pedagogically Sound

- Provides students with Online and Blended Learning and 21st Century skills to be successful in University, and the workplace.
- Preparation occurs in a culture of care with school-based Site Administrators.
- Constant course review, student and community surveys, to maintain course quality.
- A not for profit organization that supports the culture of Independent schools.
- Supports the requirements for online learning for CAIS Accreditations.
- Provides Reach Ahead credits for academically advanced students.

You are investing in sound pedagogy for your students!

2. Marketing / Enrollment

- TDSB offers online courses. Commercial vendors offer online courses. Soon all schools will offer online courses. To be competitive Independent schools need to offer online courses.
- Only provider of online and blended learning specifically for independent schools.
- Blended and online learning allow for personalized learning that parents expect.
- A collaborative Consortium is less costly than providing this individually by school.
- Online courses support student retention and encourage registration of new students.

Your school offers the most current and effective curriculum for students!

3. Diversity of Courses and Learning Styles

- Provides courses you are not otherwise able to offer.
- Meets differentiated learning styles of your students.
- Supports Elite athletes and performers, and special cases (travel or illness).
- Students can pick up missed credits that the school requires.
- Schools can eliminate small size sections or provide courses for class size overflow.
- Entire classes can be offered online.
- Provides Blended learning to support personalization within face-to-face classes.

Your school meets the differentiated needs of all your students!

4. School PD

- Increases technology / online skills of your teachers.
- Provides PD and leadership opportunities for your teachers.
- Moves teachers towards more interactive, student based practices. Online skills have been shown to transfer to the face-to-face classroom.
- Supports differentiated instruction and personalized learning.

You keep your teachers and staff up to date with the latest pedagogical technology!

5. Cost Effective:

- You can avoid paying teachers to pick up an extra small section or work with a single student.
- Saves the cost of an expensive Learning Management System but provides you with all the latest technologies, including mobile learning.
- Cost is the Membership fee and cost of PD for each teacher offering a course.
- Each teacher provided by the school generates 20 seats. Therefore the cost of the teacher section balances the seats you acquire for your students, so there is no net cost.
- Many schools run sections with only 5 students. If even 5 students register online, it is equivalent to your teacher teaching one face-to-face section of 5 students.
- If you register 20 students it would be equivalent to 2 teachers teaching 10 students each...the savings of one teacher section for you!!

You provide financially effective online course delivery!

6. Course and Instructional Quality

- Student survey responses over the past 6 years are highly positive.
- All instructors must take the UOIT 125 hour AQ: *Teaching and Learning with eLearning course*. This is the first AQ in online learning offered in Ontario. ELCC staff helped build it.
- The ELCC Director, Teachers and Site Administrators meet regularly to modify and improve course and policy procedures.
- During and at the end of each curricular year, surveys review courses and policy, and improvements occur for the following year.

You support excellence in teaching and learning!

7. Fosters a Community of Collaboration

- ELCC Committees (Academic Council, Teacher, Site Administrators, IT Support Staff, Marketing) meet regularly to foster sharing among member schools.
- Schools learn about techniques, and approaches that can be taken back to their own school.
- The selection of courses and teachers each year is a Consortium collaborative process.
- Membership in an innovative community of educators.
- Membership is now open to K-8 schools and schools across Canada.

You encourage a Community of Cooperation!

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