

A Word about Teacher Availability @ AVS...

You are part of a 'school' of more than 2,000 students at AVS whose lives are diverse. Some of you are:

- high school students who attend school during the day;
- high school students who have extra-curricular activities after school;
- adult learners who work during the day;
- adult learners who do shift work at night and sleep during the day;
- adult learners who are at home with children during the day;
- and so on.

ALL of you are busy and are working hard to fit your online course(s) into that busy schedule. The time of day during which you need help from your teacher varies for all of you.

Your teachers are willing and able to help you and make sure that you have success in your online course(s). However, they cannot be available 24/7 and it could be that there are times when they are NOT available when you need them. They too need to balance their work and recreation time and need to be able to take time off during the weekend, for example, to spend time with family and catch up on tasks they are not able to do during the week.

All teachers have posted their availability in their courses so you can see when you are most likely to be able to get hold of them. Please respect their need to have some time when they are NOT online BUT, if you find that you are not able to find a time when you can get help from your teacher, contact him/her and discuss the situation. We are sure that together you will be able to work out a mutually acceptable time to work on your course(s).

We are committed to giving you the best help we can with your course BUT we are also committed to helping our teachers find a balance between meeting the needs of a diverse group of students and finding time to rest and relax.

Thanks for your understanding with this!