

# Committed Distance Learning Newsletter

**September 11, 2020** 



## **WEEKLY WINS**

This week students have continued to build a classroom community and learn the necessary technology tools and resources that will be vital to the success of this CDL program.

# **ATTENDANCE**

In an effort to streamline communication and create an easier solution for parents, we are pivoting in our absence reporting. Each parent will receive a student-specific absence form next week. These links will be sent to the parent of record, taken from the Emergency Medical Form in PowerSchool. Please be sure to complete your child's PowerSchool emergency contact form to ensure you are receiving important information.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

September 16

MS Curriculum Night

September 17

Elementary Grades 3-5 Curriculum Night

September 21

Professional Development

Day - No School

### **SCHOOL PICTURES**

Committed Distance Learning students will get an opportunity to have a photo taken for school pictures. Families will hear from their home buildings regarding picture day, and order forms will be distributed. School photos must be taken inside of schools. We do not have information regarding yearbooks at this time.

#### **ACT/PSAT INFORMATION**

Below is information regarding upcoming ACT and PSAT testing taking place at Olentangy Schools.

**ACT TESTING**: Olentangy Schools is hosting an ACT test on Tuesday, October 6, 2020. All sophomores, juniors, and seniors in Committed Distance Learning are eligible to take this exam.

Students may sign up for the test through PowerSchool between September 1 - 11, 2020. Students should NOT register for the October 6th testing date directly through ACT. The cost for the test is \$45.50. Juniors can still take the ACT test online for free in February 2021 as well.

**PSAT TESTING:** Olentangy Schools is hosting a PSAT/NMSQT test on Thursday, October 29, 2020. All sophomores and juniors in Committed Distance Learning are eligible to take this exam.

Students may sign up for the test through PowerSchool between September 1 - 11, 2020. The cost for sophomores is \$17 per student. Junior students can take the test for free, but must still register via PowerSchool between September 1 - 11, 2020 to reserve a seat for the exam.

### QUICKLINKS

Olentangy District Website

CDL Page - including Parent

Question & Answers

**Technology Troubleshooting** 

<u>Current Student Absence</u> <u>Form</u> - parents will receive new student-specific link next week.

CDL Program Overview

Olentangy Student Handbooks

Please utilize
the olsd CDL@olsd.us email
for questions regarding the
Committed Distance
Learning program.

## aimswebPlus TESTING INFORMATION

aimswebPlus is a universal screening measure used by the district to serve multiple purposes including:

- Screening K-3 students for Third Grade Reading Guarantee requirements
- Providing a baseline data point for RTI (Response to Intervention)
- Progress monitoring students receiving interventions

K-8 students will begin taking aimswebPlus assessments within the next few weeks. Teachers will notify students of their testing schedule.

**Grades 2-8 Parents -** Please note TestNav software must be installed on your student's device prior to testing. If your student has a district-owned device, they do not need to add this software (as it is already installed on the device). They should restart their device to ensure their device has the latest version of Google Chrome.

You will receive an email next week with your student's login information for aimswebPlus. Please provide this information to your student on testing day(s).

#### STEPS FOR INSTALLING TESTNAV ON A PERSONAL DEVICE

- Click <u>here</u> for a video on how to sign-in to TestNav
- Click <u>here</u> for a video on how to install the TestNav Chrome Extension
- Click <u>here</u> for a video on how to install TestNav
- Click <u>here</u> for a video on how to update your Chrome browser

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO KNOW PRIOR TO TESTING:

**K-1 Parents:** Please review this <u>DOCUMENT</u> prior to your student's testing day.

**Grades 2-3 Parents:** Please review the following documents prior to your student's testing day -<u>DOCUMENT1</u> and <u>DOCUMENT2</u>

**Grades 4-8 Parents:** Please review this <u>DOCUMENT</u> prior to your student's testing day.

Translated documents will be available on the Committed Distance Learning website by Monday. Please email <u>olsd CDL@olsd.us</u> email with questions.

# **REMINDERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

School discipline and the Student Code of Conduct are still in effect for Olentangy students in Committed Distance Learning. Please review the <a href="Student Handbook(s">Student Handbook(s)</a> with your child regarding appropriate behavior.

Middle School Electives: Information was sent Wednesday, September 9, regarding Middle School electives. If you have not received that information, please check your child's PowerSchool Emergency Medical form and make sure correct contact information is added for Parent/Guardian #1 and #2.

PowerSchool Reminder: All parents must complete the Emergency Medical form to ensure they are receiving communication.

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