

WEEKLY WINS

Mr. Helline travels around the district to pass out awards to students for going above and beyond in the ALEKS program. The goal for each week is to master 10 new topics. The students on the ALEKS Wall of Fame have mastered anywhere from 18 to 54 new topics in a given week, and over 20% of Mr. Helline's students are now on the wall! AWESOME work!! - Mr. Helline

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 22, 6:30 p.m.

**Board of Education
Meeting**

October 26

**Start of Red Ribbon Week
for Elementary students**

October 29

**Asynchronous School Day
for High School/PSA
Testing**



This week I had the opportunity to sit in on one of our kindergarten classes where the students had read Leaf Man and were creating their own Leaf Man from materials found around their homes. The students participated in a seesaw activity where they went on a fall scavenger hunt to find fall items, then sorted the items by attributes (our math focus this week). They listened to the story and made our own leaf men. - Ms. Christian's class



Despite our students not being in the same room, my classes are finding ways to share and discuss their thoughts through media albums. This week we were investigating the photoelectric effect and why electrons are ripped off atoms at 3 different speeds.

October 30

No School - Teacher Work Day

November 6

Report Cards Available

November 12, 6:30 p.m.

Board of Education Meeting

November 25

No School - Conference Exchange Day

November 26

No School - Thanksgiving Break

November 27

No School - Thanksgiving Break

November 30

No School - Professional Development Day

QUICK LINKS

[Olentangy District Website](#)
[CDL Page - including Parent Question & Answers](#)

Our students came up with some amazing particle diagrams to share with each other. We used these diagrams to springboard our discussion and were able to take pieces from a few different drawings to come up with a conclusion. - Ms. Boyer



We had a great time making our Square 1 Art project together virtually! Students have the opportunity to get their artwork custom printed on different things - Ms. Bice

[Technology Troubleshooting](#)

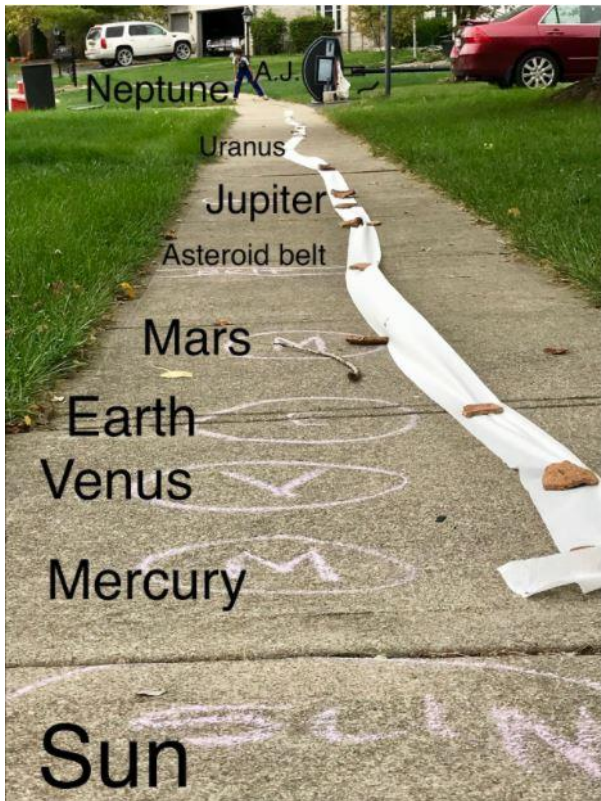
[Current Student Absence Form](#)

[CDL Program Overview](#)

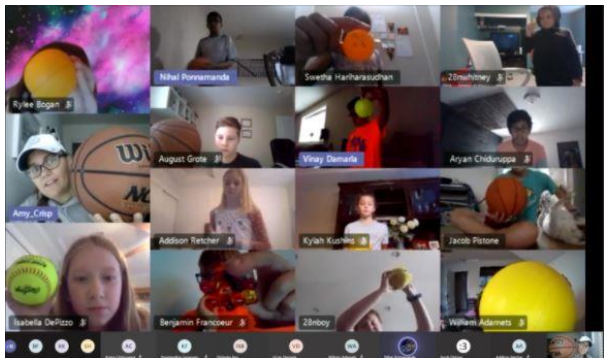
[Olentangy Student Handbooks](#)

[Committed Distance Learning October Pre-Order Form](#)

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



Students were learning about scaled distance in the Solar System. They created a pocket model of the Solar System to understand just how far apart the planets are! - Ms. Wallace



This week students found an object around their house to represent our star, the sun. We spent time simulating the ROTATION of Earth's day/night cycle as well as the REVOLUTION of its yearly cycle- DO

try this at home ;) Just be careful that you don't spin so fast that you get dizzy. Earth needs to stay in its orbit! - Crisp



"See you later Lunch"

As students wrap up their final days in music class, they can come and eat lunch with me, from 11:30 - 12, while we reminisce about the amazing music time we had together. Singing songs, sharing thoughts, and coming together virtually. I feel lucky to see so many students at once smiling and being happy during this time at a distance. - Ms. Rohm

HIGH SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

As a reminder, all high school teachers have office hours available Monday through Friday from 12:40 - 2:00. Students are encouraged to attend with questions and for help completing assignments.

FOOD SERVICE

Olentangy is continuing to offer meals to all students in the Committed Distance Learning program at no charge for the month of November. Please use the [Committed Distance Learning November Pre-Order Form](#) to receive food service for students learning at home during the month of November (this form begins with the week of November 2.)

ASYNCHRONOUS LEARNING DAYS

Within the CDL program, there is a mix of live (synchronous) and asynchronous learning built into the weekly schedule. Students will have days where they participate in asynchronous learning activities, meaning there is not direct live instruction from the classroom teacher. All CDL teachers are available during these times and will provide learning opportunities for the students. Teachers may utilize this time to meet with students in small groups or for one-on-one support.

FIFTH GRADE BAND

As we continue to modify and monitor our typical instructional practices for COVID-19, the district has decided to suspend the fifth-grade band program in the 2020-2021 school year. Unfortunately, at our elementary buildings, the available classroom sizes and designs prevent students and teachers from maintaining social distance during band rehearsals, even with the hybrid learning model. Our middle and

high school band programs, however, have larger rehearsal spaces that allow safe band practice. Olentangy Schools has used recent and national research on the transmission of COVID-19 in band and other performance spaces to provide guidance on the health and safety of all our students and teachers in our fine arts programs.

ATTENDANCE

Please remember that while we are learning at a distance and this type of learning provides more flexibility it is vital that your student attend all live instruction during the day. If your child will be absent for a portion this must be documented on our CDL attendance form.

RED RIBBON WEEK

The week of October 26 - October 29 will be CDL Elementary Red Ribbon Week! Below is the list of activities that your child can take part in for Red Ribbon Week. Below is the list of daily activities that your child can take part in throughout the week.

- Monday - Be Healthy- Wear something to represent an activity you do to stay healthy OR wear red.
 - Tuesday- Be Happy- Dress like you are in your happy place Ex. Beach, bed, favorite vacation spot, etc.
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- Wednesday - Be Bold & Brave- Wear bright colors or do something to show how you are brave.

Thursday - Dress up in a way that makes you feel healthy, happy &/or brave.

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