



March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Please note-All upcoming events may need to be rescheduled due to the Mandatory Stay At Home Order from Governor DeWine. If you have questions, please email the contact person listed on the flyer in the links below.

Dear Colonel Families,

Well we have been quarantined by Governor DeWine to essential business only. We are going to adhere to those guidelines and our building will be officially shut down. He did allow for remote learning and virtual learning to be set up, and we have taken care of all of those needs at this time. With that being said, I want to reiterate how important it is to read communication coming from our school and our district at this time. We have a One Call Now system that we use district wide and individually for each school. It is a way to send emails to everyone at once and it will be the best means of communication during this time. If you are not receiving this information, there is a link at the bottom of this page with directions on how to update your information. This system is set up so that you are the only one to be able to update it, we can not do it for you. Please go in and make sure we have the correct information for you so that you do not miss any communication. Also, please check spam folders as we do not use this very often and we do not want any communication to be sent there and missed.

We have passed out all the chromebooks to those that requested use of one. In two days we were able to get over 500 devices into your hands. It was a great team effort and we want to thank you for your patience during the passing out of devices. Sometimes the line got backed up but for safety purposes we felt this was our best way to handle this situation.

Now that you have your device please keep a few things in mind. I would encourage you to monitor what your child is doing and only allow school work on this device. If for some reason there would be an issue with the device, we do not have access to loaners or the ability to fix the device. Also, while children are using at home all filters go through your internet and the school filters are no longer in place. This means the students have access to whatever you allow them to have access to. We cannot control that. Please check their history and make sure they are using appropriate websites, etc.

Monday starts our new way of learning, remote learning! Our staff has spent the entire week getting ready, virtually meeting, collaborating, and communicating with you, our families. We know next week will present challenges and we are going to be flexible and work with you. As I stated in last week's email, not all families operate the same way, be patient and we will do the best we can to accommodate your needs. If there are things you need/want please email the teacher and they will work with you.

Reminder, every challenge presents an opportunity. I have learned so many new things about technology this week. Without this challenge I may never have had the opportunity to do so. I want to thank all of you and especially our staff for making the best of this situation. I truly believe we will have a great experience and come out of this period with new respect for many things we never even considered before.

Stay Healthy,  
*Brian Conners*

1. Primary contacts (Residential Parent/ Legal Guardian) can add up to 5 additional emails or phone numbers to the OneCall Now system by creating an account with mycallnow. Here are the instructions:

**Add Additional Numbers** - The student's primary contact can create a *My Call Now* account to add an addition 5 email addresses or cell phone numbers to also receive *One Call Now* alerts and messages. You may do this by going to <https://www.mycallnow.com> and creating an account using the Primary contact's email address and your student's ID number.

\* Please note - school district personnel are not able to access phone numbers or email addresses entered on this site, only the Primary Contact can make changes to the *mycallnow* system.

2. We will be checking the absence line regularly during our remote learning period so if you have any concerns please leave a message with your contact information so we can get back to you with answers as quickly as we can. Call 513-922-1485 and press "1" for our absence line to leave a message. Please include your name, phone number and an email address as well.

3. **Specials Information:**

**Specials teachers are offering some fun optional activities at this time. These activities are ungraded and designed to be FUN, Creative, and/or physical activity suggestions to do at home.**

**Art: Mrs. Hettesheimer and Ms. Shorten**

have a combined google classroom:

**[ART CODE: vrnezyt](#)**

**Music Mrs. Roeper and Mr. Minnery**

have a combined google classroom .

**[MUSIC CODE: vbxpm3s](#)**

**Gym: Mrs. Falhaber and Mr. Beisel**

have included activities through these Links for phys ed:

Physical Education will post periodic updates to their Facebook

page: [www.facebook.com/cohgym](http://www.facebook.com/cohgym) This is a website. Parents do not need a facebook page to access.

[PE Distance Learning Resource](#)

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/12IEqPHUKySTcHNsSRE5sfAXdLKGvlyatrujRKRfsO6I/edit?usp=sharing>

[PE Activity Log](#)

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xuAuyBcsVaulKEfuaxwWfFyswh\\_vRtTFXAD-vor6yul/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1xuAuyBcsVaulKEfuaxwWfFyswh_vRtTFXAD-vor6yul/edit?usp=sharing)

**Questions? Contact information for specials teachers:**

[shorten\\_m@ohlsd.org](mailto:shorten_m@ohlsd.org)

[Hettesheimer\\_c@ohlsd.org](mailto:Hettesheimer_c@ohlsd.org)

[Roeper\\_j@ohlsd.org](mailto:Roeper_j@ohlsd.org)

[Minnery\\_K@ohlsd.org](mailto:Minnery_K@ohlsd.org)

[Falhaber\\_a@ohlsd.org](mailto:Falhaber_a@ohlsd.org)

[Beisel\\_b@ohlsd.org](mailto:Beisel_b@ohlsd.org)

4. Life Touch Spring Pictures will be delivered when we return to school the week of April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We will send picture packets home with students. All deliveries are subject to change based on the timeline for the stay at home order from the Governor of Ohio.

5. The PTA would like to thank you for your support of our candy sale fundraiser. Notices were sent home for students still missing candy or money. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns - Sarah Geil [Coharrisonpta.2vp@gmail.com](mailto:Coharrisonpta.2vp@gmail.com) , 513-706-7616

6. Barn Hill Preserve Educational Animal Program has been CANCELLED for the morning of Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. **Optional** Merchandise payments made out to OHLSD or cash will be returned to students in an envelope marked with your student's name, teacher's name and homeroom number as soon as we return back to regular school hours.

7. [Click here for a link to an important message from our District Nurse regarding the Coronavirus.](#)
8. PTA Cookies and Canvas with Mom! This event will be rescheduled when we return back to regular school hours.



Questions? Reach out to Sara Carpenter at [COHpta.vp1@gmail.com](mailto:COHpta.vp1@gmail.com)

9. [Click here for a link to the OH Little Highlanders Cheer Flyer](#)
10. [Click here for a link to the 2020 OHYA 5k Informational Flyer](#)
11. [Click here for a link to the OH Youth and Youth Prep Dance Team Tryout Informational Flyer](#)
12. 2020 "Me & My Favorite Fella Dance" ~ Sat, April 18 @ OHHS, 7-9 pm. Back by popular demand for a 4th year, this special event is open to ALL families in the Oak Hills School District and family & friends. And NEW this year (we heard you), the dance is open to girls 3 & older!! You do not have to be a scout to attend. Girls, grab your Favorite Fella...Dad, Bonus Dad, Grandpa, Uncle or other father figure in your life, and get ready to share an unforgettably magic night together! See the attached flyer for more details. Buy your tickets @ <https://2019-my-favorite-fella-dance.ticketbud.com/2020-me---my-favorite-fella-dance>. Questions: [gswo43805@gmail.com](mailto:gswo43805@gmail.com) or (513) 313.3060.
13. [Click here for a link to a flyer for Trinity Hill Daycare Enrollment Options](#)
14. **Oak Hills Youth Athletics (OHYA) Sports Registrations**  
**Information on ALL sports, registration fees and registration links can be found by going to [www.ohyouthathletics.org](http://www.ohyouthathletics.org) and choosing the sport.**
15. The online Emergency Medical Authorization (EMA) form is available to access and update for the 2019-2020 school year. Click [here](#) to access the EMA system on the OHLSD parent portal. If your email or phone number has changed then Please complete ASAP! Updates regarding the status of remote learning is communicated through email and text via the OneCall Now system and if your number has changed or email has changed then you may not be receiving the latest information. Students may not attend field trips without a completed EMA form.

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Mandatory School Closure March 16<sup>th</sup> – April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 per Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine due to the Coronavirus.**

**Reminder: A student may only be released during the school day to someone listed as Legal Guardian or an Emergency Contact on his/her online EMA. A photo ID is required to pick up a student and also to enter the school building for volunteering, meetings, using the restroom, etc.**

**Links:**

The 2019-2020 OHLSD School Calendar is available at [www.ohlsd.org](http://www.ohlsd.org).

[Click here for a link to the OHLSD Parent Portal](#)

[Click Here for Volunteer Packet with Background Verification Form](#)

## **ATTENDANCE REMINDER**

**Parents or Guardians** need to contact the **Attendance Secretary** to give the reason why a student is absent from school. If a child is going to be on vacation or out for a surgery then the parent must email Mrs. Blome @blome\_d@ohlsd.org in advance and list the range of dates for the absence along with **the reason** for the absence. Extended absences for surgery will also require a doctor note to be sent in when the student returns to school. A parent can call the absence line (513) 922-1485 and press 1 to reach the absence line voice mail to leave a message about an upcoming absence for a surgery or vacation with the range of dates as well as **the reason** for the extended absence. Contacting a child's teacher via email does not excuse an absence-it needs to be communicated with the attendance office so that the attendance record can be updated. Doctor Notes are also required for any absences (including doctor or dentist appointments during the day) after 10 absent days. Please remember that when your child is home sick you must call the absence line 513-922-1485 – press 1 for the absence line (Not the Nurse) to report the reason for the absence for EACH day a child is absent unless the doctor gives you the range of dates that your child will need to be out and you list those dates in the message. If the nurse sends your child home sick, a parent must still call the absence line the next day to report WHY the child is absent. You can also email the attendance secretary Mrs. Debby Blome @ [blome\\_d@ohlsd.org](mailto:blome_d@ohlsd.org) to give the reason for a child's absence. After 10 absences it is **REQUIRED** to send in a Doctor's note for illness and appointments- **NOT** a Parent Note. After 10 days all absences will be **UNEXCUSED** without a doctor's note. If a parent calls the absence line and does not give the reason for an absence it will be **UNEXCUSED**.

If you have any questions regarding a student's attendance record, please contact Mrs. Blome in the office.

**1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...**

If your child misses...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

**How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?**

He/she is only missing just...	That equals...	Which is...	And over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year
20 mins per day	1 hr. 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years

**EVERY DAY COUNTS**

**If you want your child to be successful at school then, YES, attendance does matter!**

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