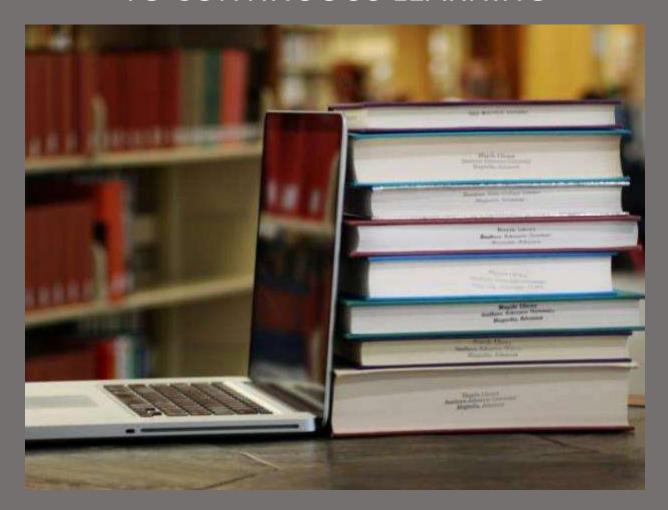
# **PARENT/STUDENT GUIDE** TO CONTINUOUS LEARNING



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#### **OVERVIEW & PURPOSE**

- The purpose of this guide is to provide answers and expectations for teachers and students during OLE's transition to distance learning for the end of the 2019-2020 school year.
- Our goal for this period of time is to provide resources, activities, and support to families as students practice and review skills taught over the past year.
- We also hope to provide ample opportunity for communication and partnership between parents, students, and teachers.

#### **EXPECTATIONS**

- OLE students will be asked to complete 2-3 assignments/activities of their choice each day from the following resources:
  - Learning Menu (OLE resources page on left)
  - Home Learning Worksheets (2 pages on the right)

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- Online practice through Clever log in. All the websites you would need to use can be accessed through Clever, our online dashboard. Your child is familiar with using Clever, but if you need help, please contact the teacher.
- <u>Please do not worry if you do not have access to a device or</u> <u>internet service</u>. Our teachers will be extremely understanding and <u>your child will not be penalized for not having technology</u>.

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• Special activities sent from the teacher during the week.

(The items above are suggestions only and the parents can decide what and how many activities they complete each day.)

Information for Distance Learning Packets will be sent out by classroom teachers through a Remind message.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INSTRUCTIONAL SETTINGS**

- Instructing your child in a home environment brings its own unique set of challenges.
- Below are some recommendations to help you establish a good routine for completing school work that is easy to maintain and allows for flexibility throughout the day.
  - Identify 1-2 "school work" times during the day. These times should be spread out and planned at a time when the child is most easily engaged. We recommend morning times for younger students.
  - Provide a designated space for students to do assignments. It doesn't have to be fancy! Perhaps allow your child to choose where they are the most comfortable. They don't sit at a desk all day at school, so don't feel like they need to spend hours at the kitchen table. We sit on the floor, on bean bags, on wiggle stools...sometimes we even work standing up!
  - Allow time for breaks! Get outside for a while, make a snack, watch a tv show, or play a game. Don't feel like you need to finish all the activities at one time. We take breaks at school to ensure our students have time to rest their brains before beginning a new task, and you should to!

## HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH MY STUDENTS TEACHER

- Starting April 6<sup>th</sup>, teachers will be working from home to assist your student. They can be reached via email or the Remind app. Emails will have following format (<u>first.last@oologah.k12.ok.us</u>).
- If you have not signed up for your teacher's Remind group, or if you removed yourself from their group, please contact them for information about how to be added.
- Teachers will be available during the day from 8-3:00pm. They have been given the expectation that they are to return communication from a parent within 24 hours, and they will work diligently to meet this goal. However, please do not expect teachers to return your contact in the evenings or over the weekend.
- Teachers have been instructed to check in with their class at least once each week. This check-in will most likely come in the form of a Remind message.
- The list of possible assignments, along with all other necessary resources, will sent out via Remind. They will also be posted to OUE's website and Facebook account.

#### WILL ASSIGNMENTS NEED TO BE TURNED IN

- Any assignments completed online can be viewed by the teacher automatically, so you do not need to worry about turning anything in.
- Teachers may ask for pictures of activities from time to time, but if you do not have the ability to send a picture in, please do not worry!
- No paper copies of any work will be physically returned to the teacher. All work will be submitted virtually or via pictures/videos.

#### WILL WORK BE GRADED

 NO, the work being done at home is for practice and reinforcement of skills taught. Teachers are happy to give feedback and give suggestions for improving skills.

### RETRIEVING PERSONAL ITEMS FROM THE SCHOOL

- Based on current information from the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE), state and local officials, and the CDC, we are not allowing students on campus at this time.
- We will be making a plan in the future for those who need to pick up belongings.
- Please know that the OSDE, state and local officials, and CDC guidelines will determine when and how we proceed.

#### **MEAL OPTIONS**

- Grab-and-go meals will be served each weekday through the end of the school year.
- These meals can be picked up in front of the Upper Elementary between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. each day.
- Each student will receive two meals: lunch and breakfast.
- Offered to any child 18 or younger, regardless of enrollment, or an enrolled child regardless of age. The child does have to be present in the car to receive a meal.

#### HOW TO RETURN MY LIBRARY BOOK

 We will be creating a plan for you to return library books that ensures everyone's safety. We will be releasing more information as it becomes available.

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR

- The last day of school for students will be <u>May 8<sup>th</sup></u>.
- All end-of-year activities have been cancelled.
- PreK/Kindergarten Round-Up will be rescheduled for a future date.

#### MENTAL HEALTH

• If your child is experiencing any type of mental distress (anxiety, depression, etc.), please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Millan via email. Her information is listed on the last page of this document.

#### QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out!
- You can contact your child's teacher via the Remind app or email.
- You can also reach out to the office by sending an email to Mrs. York or Mrs. Millan at the following e-mail addresses:

Crysti York, OLE Principal @ Crysti.York@oologah.k12.ok.us

Kari Millan, counselor @ Kari.Millan@oologah.k12.ok.us

• Follow our OUE Facebook page and the school website for additional information and resources!