



Greetings OSA Families,

As we are quickly nearing the end of the 1st quarter there are a few important happenings I wanted to bring to your attention:

1. **We need all families to complete the parent/guardian survey.** Information from this survey will be used in making critical decisions around modifications to our remote learning program as we head into quarter 2. We need your feedback!

Here is the link:

<https://forms.gle/bGC8sGeZvFuapkLY6>

2. **All arts classes will be cancelled next Wednesday, September 23rd** to allow time for our teachers to gather to discuss potential shifts to our remote learning plan for Q2. We don't anticipate any major changes, but want to tweak a few things if possible based on the needs of our students, families, and teachers. Grade level meetings and advisory will still be happening from 8:30-9:30 that morning but there will be no office hours or arts classes for the remainder of the day.

3. Message from our Math department chair, Mike King:

On October 2nd, OSA will administer the MDTP test for all students. The MDTP test (Mathematics Diagnostic Testing Project) is an assessment program developed by the UC and CSU systems to help math educators prepare students for ongoing success in mathematics. OSA uses the test for two main purposes: (1) to help inform teaching by identifying areas of student need, and (2) to measure student growth over the course of the year. As such, it is important that all students participate and take the test seriously. Students will be able to access the test on October 2nd by clicking on a link posted to the Google Classroom Stream of their math class. Students not currently enrolled in a math class will be able to access the test from the link provided that day on their grade level google classroom. **The test window will be from 1:00-3:00 and all students will be excused from their arts classes for the day.** Please help us maximize participation by ensuring that your child is present for and completes the test.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend,

Mike Oz

Principal

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