



# **Welcome Packet**

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**[ohva.k12.com](http://ohva.k12.com)**

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# Ohio Virtual Academy

## Parent Compact

The purpose of this Parent Compact is to set expectations for Ohio Virtual Academy (OHVA) parents. Your child's educational success, a primary goal of OHVA, can only be achieved if you understand your key role in following the curricular and attendance requirements below.

- I believe that my student has the ability to grow academically.
- My role, which is vital for my student's academic achievement, is valued and respected among administrators and teachers at OHVA.
- I will abide by OHVA's policies and procedures as outlined in the OHVA Parent Handbook.
- I will maintain continuous Internet service and make sure my student has daily access to participate in the school.
- I understand that the Ohio Virtual Academy program includes the **K12 curriculum, Study Island, varied assessments, Class Connects, and other instructional tools, specific to my student's academic requirements.** I will actively supervise my student while participating in the OHVA academic program. Learning Coach guidance is essential for students in the K-8 program and also needed on a regular basis in high school.
- My student is enrolled in a public school and must meet the state attendance requirements. Students in grades 1 -12 require 920 hours, and kindergarten students require 460 hours per year. To reach my student's academic goals, average daily attendance may range from 3 hours (kindergarten) to 8 hours (5<sup>th</sup> grade through high school).
- I am responsible to accurately record attendance and progress daily in my student's Online School to reflect online and offline school work. Insufficient hours recorded in the system over time is a truancy issue and could result in my student's removal from OHVA.
- My student will participate in **all required state achievement and diagnostic testing.** It is my responsibility to provide transportation to and from the test site(s). Testing dates are determined by the Ohio Department of Education (ODE).
- I will actively engage with OHVA staff by participating in conferences, reading K-Mail on a daily basis, submitting portfolio samples, and attending face-to-face (F2F) activities throughout the year, including state testing. If I have designated another person to act as Learning Coach for my student, I will conference jointly with the Learning Coach and OHVA teacher(s).
- I will work with and treat staff members professionally, understanding that staff must follow set schedules and policies.
- **Failure to follow the school's program requirements may result in my student's removal from Ohio Virtual Academy.**

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# Quick Facts

## School Connections & Support

**OHVA office and staff:** 1-877-648-2512  
Use 0 for operator, extension for teachers/staff.

**School Website:** <http://ohva.k12.com/>  
**Contact:** <http://ohva.k12.com/contact-us>

**Get Started: Strong Start!**  
How-to videos and steps to get started  
<http://ohva.k12start.com/>  
Check “for parents” for the K12 Learning Coach University

**Tech Support/Customer Care:** 1-866-K12-CARE  
(For login, computer/tech, and materials issues)

**K12 Self-help and search:** [help.k12.com](http://help.k12.com)  
Many, many, support topics!

**K12 Website:** [www.k12.com](http://www.k12.com)

**Parent Helpline**  
**1-877-648-2512, HELP (4357)**

**OHVA Parent Handbook:**  
Available at <http://ohva.k12start.com/>

**Activities & Events**  
**OHVA Online Event Calendar (F2F/Online\*)**  
[www.localendar.com/public/ohva](http://www.localendar.com/public/ohva)  
\*Online parent sessions posted, too.

### **Watch for these featured school activities:**

- Back to School Picnics – September
- Literacy Day – October
- Math Mania - November
- Spelling Bees (K-8) – December
- School Choice/Winter Fun – January
- Student Expos - Spring
- Year-End Celebrations – May
- Teacher Outings – All months

**Directions for How to Record F2F:**  
***Every Sunday on the Event Calendar***

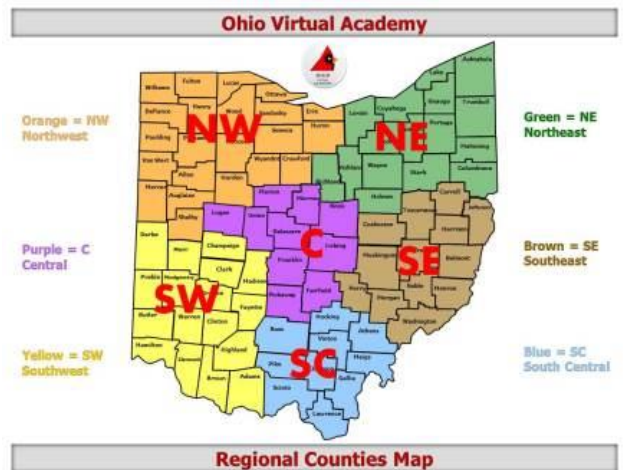
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### **OHVA Closed/Private\* Regional Facebook Groups**

\*For enrolled OHVA families only  
Regional/local connection and mentoring support  
OHVA NE Parents      OHVA NW Parents  
OHVA C Parents      OHVA SW Parents  
OHVA SE Parents      OHVA SC Parents



**OHVA Public Facebook Page:**  
<http://www.facebook.com/Ohio.Virtual.Academy>

**Parent-Hosted Activities Calendar**  
Co-ops, Monthly Bowling & Friendships  
[www.localendar.com/public/ohvparents](http://www.localendar.com/public/ohvparents)

**Parent Advisory Council**  
Contact the PAC for mentoring support.  
[PAC@ohva.org](mailto:PAC@ohva.org)

**OHVA Boosters**  
Join with other volunteer parents who are supporting the school and your child. To join Boosters:  
[www.tinyurl.com/BoosterSignUp](http://www.tinyurl.com/BoosterSignUp)  
School Contact: Susie Ebie, [sebie@k12.com](mailto:sebie@k12.com)

**OHVA eQUIP Parent Learning Sessions:**  
<http://ohva.k12.com/equip>

**Family Engagement Coordinators:**  
Susie Ebie, [sebie@k12.com](mailto:sebie@k12.com) Ext. 2009  
Julene Knudson, [jknudson@k12.com](mailto:jknudson@k12.com), Ext. 5286



# Ohio Virtual Academy's Spirit Shop

Looking for OHVA spirit items?

Share your school pride and support your school!

~ Incentives and gift items for students and parents ~

We've got what you need!

[www.cafepress.com/ohva](http://www.cafepress.com/ohva)



- ❖ For additional options for school items, visit K12's Online Store: <http://gear.k12.com>. OHVA items make great holiday and birthday gifts!



# 2016–2017 Academic Calendar

**August 15, 2016**

First Day of School

**August 29 - September 30, 2016**

Online Diagnostic Assessment  
AIMSweb (Grade K- 2)

**September 5, 2016**

Labor Day \*

**October 10 – 14, 2016**

KRA, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Diagnostic Assessments

**October 24 – 28, 2016**

Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) Grade 12

**November 11, 2016\***

Veterans' Day  
(OHVA office open)

**November 14 – 18, 2016**

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Fall State Testing (ELA)

**November 23–25, 2016**

Thanksgiving Break\*

**December 19, 2016–January 1, 2017**

Winter Break

**January 6, 2017**

End of 1st Semester

**January 9, 2017**

Start of 2nd Semester

**January 16, 2017**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day \*

**February 20, 2017**

Presidents' Day \*

**March 13 – 17, 2017**

Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) Grade 12

**March 20 – April 14, 2017**

\*\*Spring State Testing, grades 3 – 12

**April 17 - 21, 2017**

Spring Break

**May 26, 2017**

Last Day of School  
Last Day to Log Student Attendance

**May 29, 2017**

Memorial Day \*

**June 3, 2017**

High School Graduation  
Eighth Grade Recognition

**June 13 – 17, 2017**

Summer Administration of Ohio Graduation  
Test (OGT) Grades 11-12

\* *Holiday — OHVA Office Closed/Teachers Not Available*

\*\* *The specific dates for students by grade level and subject will be provided to our OHVA families as soon as the schedule is finalized, per the Ohio Department of Education.*

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