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*Dear OHVA Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year! The beginning of our 18th school year at OHVA! I am so excited that you chose to partner with OHVA this year to ensure the very best education for your child(ren). We have worked hard to develop an academic plan that will serve every student. But even more we have worked hard to develop a partnership with you and a culture of hope for our students. We firmly believe that every student can achieve and succeed.

We are excited to share about a new staff role for some of our families in the younger grades. For a number of years high school students have benefitted from the support of their advisor. This role is now being expanded to the younger grades. Watch carefully for school emails from your "POC - Advisor" (Point of Contact). The goal for this role is to improve communication and provide support for you and your student(s) across all grades. As always, please feel free to reach out to your teachers, support staff or administration for clarification or needs.

We continue this year proving that e-schools are held to a higher level of "Accountability" than most schools. We are proud of the fact that through all of the many audits conducted by the state and Ohio Department of Education (ODE) we continue to demonstrate that integrity is a priority for us. We know that you want what is best for your child and that is the reason you have chosen to attend a school that is outside the normal traditional brick-and-mortar setting. If you didn't want what was best for your student you wouldn't have exercised the right to choose schooling through an e-school. While we are certainly not the traditional route for education, we still hold ourselves accountable to the state of Ohio, our Board of Trustees and even more importantly, to our students. With this in mind we want to assure you that we are holding ourselves accountable in all areas. OHVA has always taken great pride in meeting all compliancy requirements. Our partnership with you to attain this is important.

We want to share an update on our school theme for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) that was developed with your input. We are pleased to share the, "We A.R.E. OHVA" (A=Accountable, R=Respectful, E=Engaged) theme again with you on frisbees for students* as we "Take Flight for 19-20" at [Annual Picnics](#). (*while supplies last.)



Accountable • Respectful • Engaged

Our third demonstration to accountability is to inform you that we have a required School Safety Plan on site with a local law office. This will be put in use should the need arise.



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Of course, above all else, we want to demonstrate our accountability to our students. It is important that students participate in Class Connect lessons to support the learning going on at home. These lessons should be a support for students and a benefit to the family as well, and will help students learn the expected skills throughout the year. We understand that each family has different needs. It will be important for you to communicate with the staff assigned to you should you need something done differently. However, remember that we are also accountable to the state to make sure our students are thriving academically so we will need to make sure students are held accountable throughout the year.

As we continue to develop as a school, we work hard to provide opportunities for our students. You will see more about [Career Readiness](#), social-emotional learning with the [7 Mindsets](#) and school activities for student interaction and growth. There will be Math Mania Days, and Literacy Days for hands-on learning, and Student Expo Days for students to demonstrate their work. These dates are already set aside and posted to the [event calendar so that you can plan accordingly to participate.](#) We hope you enjoy these opportunities provided for you.

Again, we are excited by the upcoming year and the academic plans that have been developed. We know that working together we will be able to do what we all are working toward, creating the best learning environment possible for our students and demonstrating through accountability that Ohio Virtual Academy has hard-working students who are destined for success.

Good luck and please feel free to reach out to administration should you need anything throughout the year. Our website has all the needed information should you need to contact us. <https://ohva.k12.com>

Sincerely,

Dr. Kristin Stewart, Senior Head of School
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