

August 18, 2020

Happy First Day of School Landsharks!

I want to start by thanking our faculty, staff, parents and most of all **our students!** Wow, you guys showed up and showed out! You were on time and eager to begin your school year with joy, eagerness and a great understanding of the responsibilities and accountability which come from choosing to be a Shark.

During our traditional school day, I try to make announcements once a day (especially during the first few weeks of school) with the intent of getting us all on the same page at the beginning of each day. We try to discuss things that are going well and things which look like potential challenges.

I started this letter with the things which went well, now let's discuss our challenges today. This will be a good time to discuss "deal breakers" which can lead to discipline consequences from Saturday School all the way to a recommendation for expulsion. Things which disrupt the learning environment and can potentially hinder a teacher's ability to teach and a student's ability to learn are "deal breakers" and have serious consequences as a result of said behavior.

A lot of time was spent today by faculty going over rules and expectations for this Zoom environment we find ourselves in. This virtual world can open a window to those who get a false sense of anonymity behind a keyboard. This is nothing new...and those who disrespect their school are not pioneers. What is pioneer in spirit is the way Oceanside reacts to such acts of disrespect.

Here are a few things to keep in mind as we go through the next few weeks:

1. Remember all lessons are recorded and available for administration review
2. You may only log in to class using your school email
3. School administration has access to all email content on Oceanside's server
4. Using sexually inappropriate and or vulgar content/language/gestures in front of other minors has implications to include school and law enforcement consequences
5. Disrespect to faculty or peers will NOT be tolerated at Oceanside
6. Allowing someone to use your personal device and or sharing a Zoom invite with anyone is prohibited and the owner of the device and or email account will be responsible for what transpired through the use of either.

I love, appreciate and respect our school family and take seriously my duty to protect our learning environment with all tools available to me as your school leader. I need you all to be mindful and also work to protect Oceanside's learning environment. Don't make a decision or commit an act which could possibly lead you to find yourself a "Shark without a Tank".

We are all looking forward to a great day 2 and starting our countdown to September 8... only 14 days! Thank you for all the awesome pictures I received today from parents, students and faculty with their favorite moments of the day. I will post on social media once I hit send on this.

I want you to remember all I just said, but also please remember and don't ever ever, ever forget...there are plenty of fish in the sea...but you chose to be a SHARK!

Good Night Sharks!

Love ya!!

B. Corley, *Principal*