Class of 2021

NEWSLETTER



2018 FALL POL SCHEDULE AVAILABLE HERE

IMPORTANT DATES AHEAD

DECEMBER 14 (FRIDAY)

Presentations of Learning

DECEMBER 17 - 20

Presentations of Learning

DECEMBER 21

No School

JANUARY 14

King Day - No School

JANUARY 15

School Resumes



SOPHOMORE FALL 2018 PRESENTATION OF LEARNING INFORMATION

Greetings from the tenth-grade team. It's hard to believe that the semester is almost over! One of the signature practices here at Da Vinci Design high school is Presentations of Learning (PoLs). A PoL is a presentation of learning in which students present their mastery of content knowledge & skills. PoLs are reserved for the last days of each semester. Students are required to defend the essential skills and knowledge they have acquired over the course of the semester in all classes excluding seminars and advisory. Students are required to wear professional attire and demonstrate skills and knowledge of semester-long learning.

Fall semester PoL schedule will begin on Friday, December 14th and continue until Thursday, December 20th. During these days, students will attend one of two sessions daily, an AM session or a PM session. The AM session is from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm, and the PM session is from 12:00 pm until 4:00 pm. If students are unable to be picked up or dropped off at noon, they should work in the room they are assigned to for the day. Students will NOT be permitted to change their schedules. On Thursday, December 13th, there is a regular school day. Students will participate in one subject presentation.

During PoLs, students will report to their assigned PoL room for the day. Students will stay in this room for the entirety of the session. (For example, on Tuesday if Suzie presents for Integrated Math II, she will go directly to Ms. Chen's classroom and stay in this classroom for the remainder of the session.). It is important that students arrive on time and ready to present (presentation time and professional attire). If the student experiences any delays on the day of his/her given presentation, it is critical that s/he email or find a means to contact the appropriate teacher. Students without an excused absence or tardy will be assumed as "ditching" their presentation and risk receiving a zero ("0" – no evidence) in the essential skills of the presentation, habits of mind, and overall POL performance. Such students will NOT be permitted to present.

This is a mandatory end-of-the semester PoL that is required of all students. The educational philosophy of Da Vinci Design High School is founded on students effectively presenting, articulating, and defending the knowledge gained over the course of the school year, along with analyzing obstacles and problems faced during their learning experience.

If your schedule allows, we'd love to have you (as well as any other family members) come in and watch your student's presentation. As students' times are flexible in most classes, please email the teacher directly of the POL that you would like to be present to watch.