

Presentations of Learning

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 presenation of learning in which students present their mastery of content and knowledge and skills. POLS are reserved for the last days of each semester. Student 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 semesterlong learning.

Fall semester POL Schedule will begin on Thursday, December 12th and continue until Thursday, December 19th. During these days, students will attend one of two sessions daily, an AM session or PM session. The AM session is from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon, and the PM session is from 12:00 noon until 4:00 pm. Please note that sessions start promptly. If students are unable to be picked up or dropped off at noon, they should remain in the room they are assigned for the day. Students will NOT be permitted to change their schedules.

Important Dates:

December 12-19 Presentations of Learning

December 20 No School

January 13 First day of Semester 2

January 20 MLK Holiday (No School)

During POLs, students will report to their assigned POL room for the day. Students will stay in this room for the entirty of the session. (For example, if Bobby is scheduled to present Math II, he will go directly to Ms. Chens' room and stay in this room for the day). It is crucial 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 presentation, it is critical that the student 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 no credit for their overall POL performance.

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 would love to have you (and other family members) come in and watch your student's presentation. Please email the teacher directly of the POL that you would like to watch to make arrangements.