

Dear Parent and/or Guardian of Da Vinci Design High School Sophomore Student,

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 wear professional attire and demonstrate skills and knowledge of semester-long learning.

Fall semester PoL schedule will begin on Thursday, Dec. 9th and continue until Thursday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup>. During these days, students will attend sessions daily **from 8:55 am until 1:55 pm**.

Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, students will report to the given PoL room for the day. Students will stay in this room for the entirety of the day. (For example, on Thursday if Suzie presents for Chemistry, she will go directly to Mr. Itow'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 they 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.

All PoL resources can be found on the DVD Class of 2024 Google Classroom as well as individual class's Classrooms: "Overview" Materials.

Sincerely,  
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