### Dear Options Middle School Parents,

If you are new to the district and/or don't have a chromebook, your student can come by the Options office during normal office hours to check out a chromebook for your student. If you can't make it during the day, email the Options Director and we can reserve one for you for early morning or afterhours. If the student already has access to a computer, you don't need to check out a chromebook.

Our primary website is <u>www.Edgenuity.com</u>, and most work is done on this virtual platform. The student will need to log in at least once, and then probably will want to save the password and bookmark the site. They can also access the site through the Options FRMS Google Classroom.

Students who are returning can still use their old login username and password, and access the curriculum. All student usernames are their first\_last initial and student number, followed by their email address. Here is an example: Jane Doe, student ID 12345, would have a user name that is jd12345@student.oregonk-12.com.

## **Getting Logged In**

New Options student passwords will be emailed to the student account, so they should check their email when they log in to their chromebook or the Google Chrome browser on their own computer.

The passwords for Edgenuity are NOT necessarily the student login password for the chromebook. If the student has a problem with the chromebook or Edgenuity password, they can call 541-952-7025 to ask for a password reset (or email Options and we will reset it for them).

Once a student is logged into their Chromebook, they can open the chrome browser and click on the "Waffle" Nine dot array at the top right of the screen to open Google Classroom and join the FRMS Options Google Classroom (join code zchxvpo) and also to join the FRSD Options Middle School PE Google Classroom (join code h2c6ew5).

#### How the PE Class Works

For the middle school PE class, students will need to complete at least one activity per day in their Edgenuity PE class, and will also need to self-report on a PE Activity Log in the classroom that they have completed at least two hours of physical activity per week, by the end of the week (Sunday night). We will have require one PE Activity Log per week. The Edgenuity PE class will be weighted at 40%, and the PE Log will be weighted at 60% of the grade.

# What Does a Student Schedule Look Like?

Work is scheduled each day for five classes, and the progress bar color indicates if a student is ahead or behind schedule for finishing by the end of the semester (first semester ends January 27<sup>th</sup>). Work is scheduled Monday-Friday. No work is scheduled on weekends or during holiday periods, but students are expected to complete the PE log requirement each week (if out of the country or extremely sick, let us know and we will excuse them).

#### **Taking Attendance**

A student who does not work in a class (i.e. complete at least one activity) on a regular school day will be marked absent. Students must work in over half their classes (at least three classes) before 2:00 pm, at least to complete one assignment. If the student cannot work their classes by 2:00, the parent can send an email to Candice Stansell, our attendance secretary for that class:

cstansell@fernridge.k12.or.us. We will count that as an excused absence. Any student who is absent for 10 school days in a row will be withdrawn from school.

#### **Progress Reporting**

Parents should receive an invitation and a code to join the Family Portal. This login allows parents to monitor the progress of their student at any time, including time spent that is idle (logged in but not working). For students who were in Options last year, your Family Portal access is the same. Regardless, we will send out the portal access code to every main student contact.

#### **Guided Notes**

Except for PE, all courses have Guided Notes available to students. We are working to get a printable Guided Notes packet out for each middle school student, for each core class. Typically, a packet is around 300 pages, so this is a large project for Options. We are committed to giving our students who want to take advantage of it every chance for success, and the Guided Notes are a proven advantage for students. Physical packets are available for pickup from the Options office.

#### **Question and Answer Google Meet**

Each week, we will have a virtual opportunity for students or parents to join a Google Meet for questions and answers. The meet link is in the FRMS Google Classroom.

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