

Outlook Academy Newsletter

Congratulations!

November Grads!

Student Reminder

Ventra Cards

- Lost, stolen or damaged Ventra cards require new paperwork and a \$10 replacement fee. Please see Mr. Valant or Mrs. Verdin.
- **Student IDs**
Students must wear their IDs at all times. Students are not allowed on campus without an ID on. If you lose your ID you must report to the main office to purchase a temporary ID.

Dates to Remember:

School Board Meeting, November 13th
 Veterans Day, November 11th **No School**
 Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 28 and 29th **No School**



Upcoming Events

Counselor's Corner

Students who are interested in applying for scholarships and grants should assess the following websites:

- Fastweb.com
- Sholly.com
- Youthkinect.com

Students who are interested in preparing for or improving ACT, SAT, or ASVAB test scores should assess the following website: March2success.com Information and practice tests are available for all three tests.

Martin's Motivational Moment....

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
 ~ Nelson Mandela

MTSS CORNER/Mrs. Coleman

From the MTSS Corner:

As we enter the season of thankfulness, let us remember those of us who may struggle because of loss or sadness during this season. Let's be kind to one another- on purpose.

In other news,

The first trimester of credit recovery is quickly coming to a close. We officially have three more weeks to recover missing credits. Please see me ASAP to sign up for trimester two.

OA's after school program is rocking this year! Come join us after school for game club or cooking class.



Ms. Nikita Coleman
 MTSS Coordinator



This Month's Highlights



Outlook Academy Birthdays

Leo Conry - November 6th
Linda Kingdon- November 10th
Rob Penman - November 12th
Officer Owens - November 16th
Nikita Coleman- November 19th

Outlook Academy Students of the Month!



Our very our **November Student of the Month!** Javon has gone above and beyond to excel while reaching out to help other students.

From the Desk of: Mrs. Anderson

The great thing about the beginning of a new quarter is just that. It's a new beginning. If you've ended Quarter 1, exactly how you wanted, then great! But if you've ended rather unsuccessfully, now is the time to reflect and make appropriate changes and begin anew.

1. Some tips for having a successful quarter: Be in class every day and on time.
2. When you're in class, be present (as in aware) and let your instructor know if you're having difficulties.
3. If any issue comes up that interferes with coming to class and completing the assignments let someone know as soon possible. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.** Everyone here at Outlook, is willing and wants to help.



Parent Information

- Remember to call the office when your student is going to be absent at 708-225-5875 or 5869
- Please visit our webpage at www.district205.net/domain/315 to view pictures, download forms, get access to other links, and much more.
- Parents/guardians of students may access attendance, grades and assignments using one log in at <https://powerschool.ttdistrict205.net/public>
- If you need assistance, please contact the main office.

District 205 Credit Recovery 2019

Mrs. Patricia Malopsy-Fortier
District Credit Recovery Program Administrator

If you have any questions regarding Credit Recovery please contact your Home School Credit Recovery Building Coordinator or visit the district website:
www.district205.net/areasofinstruction/creditrecovery

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Teacher Messages



From the Desk of: Mrs. Di'Giacomo, Business

As we are winding down our lessons in Accounting, the students are very excited about how a business is run. They have learned how cash control, logging entries and documenting sources for the entries are very important in business. A lot of our students didn't realize how a business performs in order to make a profit.

This week, we will be reviewing for the final as well as make up assignments that have been missed. The students are aware of all that needs to be done and I am confident that they will accomplish what is needed to complete the class.

From the Desk of: Mr. Conry, Foreign Language

The cooler weather is upon us as well as the November holidays. Mr. Conry's French and Spanish Classes are working on acquiring vocabulary for Veteran's Day and Thanksgiving as well as contrasting their significance with counterparts in France and Latin America. We are continuing working on our oral and listening skills using authentic realia from the target countries as well as increasing our knowledge of regular and irregular verbs. Happy Thanksgiving / Joyeuse Fete de Thanksgiving / Dia de accion de gracias from Mr. Conry's French and Spanish classes.

From the Resource & Rewind Room/ Mr. Hill and Mrs. Kingdon

Social-Emotional Programs

Feeling a bit stressed out or overwhelmed? Through Outlook's social-emotional programming, we are offering Yoga & Relaxation and Resiliency Groups

Yoga & Relaxation: This group's objective is to actively practice guided relaxation techniques and beginner's yoga that helps ease the mind and tension in the body.



Are you at least 18 years of age, currently unemployed, with no dependents? If so, the Township General Assistance program may be a benefit to you. For more information, see Mr. Hill at 3361 or make contact via email at hill.jason@district205.net. Outlook's social-emotional programming is now offering Anger Management Group in addition to Resiliency and Yoga & Relaxation Group. If interested, please see Mr. Hill at 3361.

If you are interested in participating, please see Mr. Hill, School Social Worker in room **3361**.



Teacher Messages



From the Desk of Mrs. Garza, Math

Another term is coming to an end. Students have enjoyed learning about how to check their paycheck stubs for inaccuracies, how to earn money through investments, and they have compared how a down payment, the APR, and loan lengths affect the total cost of a loan when buying a car. I wish all my students well and hope they take what they've learned with them into the real world.

From the Desk of Mrs. Goodman, English/Speech

Mrs. Goodman is finishing up the quarter with a final paper in English IV S1, a final project in English IV S2, and a final speech in Speech I. We are looking forward to fresh start with Quarter 2.

From the Desk of: Mr. Earl King II

HAPPY FALL SEASON to Outlook Academy Students and Families!

First, I want to say Congratulations to all Fall Prospective Outlook Academy Graduates & Families! You are close to beginning the next phase of your educational and career life! Again, I am the new Community Transition Coordinator for Outlook Academy. It is a pleasure and a privilege to continue to serve the Community of District 205. I, along with our Community Specialist, Ms. Holmes, have continued working with the students on tracking their progress, Resume Building, FAFSA Completion for Financial Aid, and also applying to South Suburban College (or elsewhere), Vocational Programs and Job Placement Assistance.

Upcoming at Outlook: South Suburban College Orientation

The Orientation, November 5th and 7th, will give students the chance to become familiar with SSC Application and Registration process. Also, we will be completing the SSC application and FAFSA (financial aid) for the 2020 School Year. The opportunity will give students time to acclimate, or get accustomed to, the College Application Process and Financial Aid, which is a critical component for College success.

New this Year: JOBCORPS will return to Outlook

Job Corps is a tuition **FREE** Hands-on Career Training, Tuition Free for ages 16-24

Housing, Meals, Allowance and Medical Benefits at **NO COST**

Job Corps students will have the opportunity to gain secure employment and housing, or apprenticeship, go on to higher education, or joining the military.

If still interested, contact Mr. King, at 708-225-5877.



Teacher Messages



From the Desk of Mr. O'Leary, Social Studies

We are off to a strong start in the social studies department here at Outlook. US History classes are gearing up to take the Constitution Test next week (10/07/19). As always if you need to fulfill the Constitution Test, and are not enrolled in US History, come and see me anytime in room 3363. I am in my room by 6:45 am every morning.

All students who started their freshman year in 2016/2017 or later are now required to take a Civics class to graduate. The new law now requires that students pass 3 semesters of social studies. Two semesters of US History (1 credit), one semester of Economics (1/2 credit), and now a one semester Civics class (1/2 credit). The district social studies department has been working hard to design the class and I look forward to implementing this new course at Outlook.

If you have questions or concerns regarding anything social studies, come and see me at your earliest convenience or email me at oleary.patrick@district205.net. I am happy to help you in anyway I can.

Pat O'Leary

From the Desk of: Mr. Arrington, Business

Outlook's technology business students are making progress as the 1st Term concludes. A number of Advanced Computer Apps students passed the Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) certification exam in MS Word and are working on certifications in PowerPoint and MS Excel. Education & Career Tech (ECT) students were also learning MS Office. Each (ECT) student established career goals, researched related college choices and completed a professional looking job resume.



From the Desk of: Mr. Folsom, English

In Mr. Folsom's class, we are wrapping up the first term without final papers. These papers that the students are writing have the same prompt as the first week of school: What are my goals for the next nine weeks, what can I do to make sure I accomplish these goals and adding a self-evaluation portion for these previous nine weeks.



The students will then have a one-on-one meeting with me to discuss their reflections. We will have a conversation about their grade, their credits and how to make sure they continue working well/improve on the areas that require improvement

From the Desk of Mr. Martin, Social Studies

Afro History

Students are presenting a collage of a historical event they choose
Sample topics include: History of a particular genre of music,
Montgomery Bus Boycott

World Film - Semester 1

Students are watching "Malcolm X"

World Film - Semester 2

Students are watching "The Ron Clark Story."

Description

In his small North Carolina hometown, Ron Clark (Matthew Perry) leads a comfortable life as a successful elementary school teacher, earning the respect of the community. However, he knows there are students elsewhere who need him more. Following his inner calling, Clark uproots to New York City, hoping to make a difference for the disenfranchised youths the school system has left behind. Clark makes it his mission to turn around the worst students, even though he knows his job is on the line.



*From the Desk of: Mrs. Willis,
School Nurse*

Nurses Corner

Attention all Staff and Students:

Flu season has arrived.

The single best way to prevent seasonal flu is to get your Flu Shot.

Other ways to stop spread of germs and prevent the Flu bug is:

- Washing hands with soap often.
- Avoid close contact when others are sick.
- Cover mouth and nose with tissue when coughing and sneezing.
- **STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK!!**

