

ABC's of Fourth Grade

Address Changes (info@ncvacademy.org) – Send your proof of address change to our registrar, Christina Cameron.

Adventure Days (*formerly known as Outings*)- Join NCVA classmates and families for regional outings! You may choose ANY outing ANYWHERE across the state! You don't have to always choose the one in your region. Read the newsletter to keep up with outing dates and times.

Attendance (online/offline) – Please make it a habit to mark attendance daily and check the newsletter to see if you are on track with hours as well as progress. NCVA students are expected to log 6 hours of attendance each day/30 hours per week.

Audio Check – a working mic is important in Class Connect. Try to arrive a couple of minutes early to check your audio with the Audio Wizard.

Be ON TIME for class connects! If you are late to a 30-minute class, you have already missed A LOT!

Books – you may write in consumable books, but you will send the other books back to k12.com at the end of the school year.

Bookmark- Bookmark Sites that are used frequently (RAZ, Stride, OLS, etc.).

Browser – It's best to use Mozilla Firefox.

Camera- All students must have a working webcam.

Chat Box – Remember to use the chat box for topics that relate to class. You will have “free chat” during Homeroom Hangout.

Class Connect - Keep track of your classes by checking your Daily Plan, daily! Attend all required classes live and online, and remember to log the time in your daily attendance.

Communication- Constant communication is key! Keep you teacher up to date on all the little things.

DIBELS – You will read to your homeroom teacher at the beginning of the year, the middle of the year and the end of the year. We will be listening for fluency and how many words you read correctly.

ELOG-Dates, times, and locations will be provided at the end of the school year by the testing coordinator via email.

E-mail – Check your e-mail **every day!**

Expected Progress – Teachers will set the yearly expected progress for the courses in the OLS. Some courses will need to be 100% complete, and others may be 80%. Your homeroom teacher will send you more information on Expected Progress.

FAST – FAST is our Family Academic Support Team. If you are referred to FAST, they will help you set a schedule, get a good routine and help you with managing all that online school sends your way! They are wonderful, and they will get you back on the right track! 🚂

File Share –this is how you share your work with your teacher in the OLS.

Going on a “field trip” will count for attendance.

Handbook– This is your overall guide to everything NCVA. Please keep a copy on your computer desktop, so that you have a quick “go to” for getting your questions answered.

Health/PE – Read the **NCVA Health and PE Guide** to find out more about ideas for health and pe hours.

Homeroom Hangout – join us every Friday for Homeroom Hangout! This is YOUR time to talk to your friends, play games and have FUN!

Homeroom teacher is your first point of contact for all questions and concerns.
919-346-0121 Ask to speak to her directly or type in her extension.

ID – Know your student ID number.

Interim Benchmark Assessment – Please complete your interim assessments independently. The assessments let teachers and Learning Coaches know your strengths as well as the areas where we can work hard to help you improve!

Internet – “Help! My internet is not working!” Continue to work offline with your books, or read, and then catch up on your lessons when the internet returns.
<https://www.k12.com/content/dam/schools/ncva/files/student-continued-engagement-plan.pdf>

Join - a **k12.com Club!** <https://www.k12.com/k12-student-clubs.html>

K12.com - customer support – call these awesome folks when you are missing a book or if you need anything else k12.com related <https://www.help.k12.com/s/>

Learning Coach – the Learning Coach supports the student with online and offline work, makes sure that assessments and assignments are completed, marks attendance daily.

Math Portfolio – will be assigned twice throughout the school year.

Microphone- All students must have a working mic.

Mobile app- Download the new K12 mobile app for the OLS.

Mozilla Firefox.

Multiplication-Memorize your facts! Memorize your facts!

Newsletter – Read the newsletter every Friday. It will keep you informed!

Not Yet Mastered – Remember to goooo baaaacckkk and re-take assessments Not Yet Mastered. They will count against your overall progress if you just leave them hangin'!

North Carolina History – You will receive one lesson on NC History per week. The lessons are optional, and they provide enrichment as well as useful knowledge about our great state!

OLS- Online School.

Optional – These are lessons in the OLS that you may choose to complete, or not to complete.

Overdue Tab- Always check the “overdue” tab under your plan to see if you are missing any assignments.

Passwords – Keep all your passwords in one place near your computer.

Power **O**utage – If you lose power or internet, continue to do school work offline, and then record the attendance time <https://www.k12.com/content/dam/schools/ncva/files/student-continued-engagement-plan.pdf>

Questions -Ask **Q**uestions if you are unsure about how to do something in the OLS or in class.

RAZ Kids – an online reading supplement we use to help students increase fluency and comprehension.

Recordings –Click on the link for your Class Connect in the Daily Plan, it will take you to the recording link for the class you missed (or just need to watch again!)

**You will also have 3 additional recordings each week (History 4, Science and NC History).

Routine – Set up a ROUTINE, just as if you were in a regular brick and mortar school. A routine will help you keep up with your progress, and your attendance hours.

Save – **SAVE THIS DOCUMENT** on your desktop or print it out for a quick reference guide.

Science – you will have 2 optional recordings per week that go along with the units in the OLS. The k12.com Science books **DO NOT match the OLS units! The OLS units are set to match up with the Essential Standards for the State of NC.**

STRIDE - it is required for you to complete 60 minutes of STRIDE for **math**. Why? Because the extra practice really does help you learn and really know the skills needed for reading and math! Reading requirements will be assigned on an individual basis.

Student ID number – **PLEASE** memorize your Student ID number or write it down and keep it by your computer. You will need it A LOT!

System is Down – If you are unable to login to the OLS or Blackboard, it is possible the system is down due to technical issues. The k12 team works very hard to keep things up and running. If the system goes down, this link will tell you what you need to do
<https://www.k12.com/content/dam/schools/ncva/files/student-continued-engagement-plan.pdf>

Tech Support - Call k12.com tech support - **866-512-2273** -for issues with Audio, Headphones or Computer set up questionsOR you may find the answer in one of these videos from k12.com
<https://tinyurl.com/ycul9bbh>

Units- Complete the units in the OLS.

Vocabulary – you need to complete 50% (that's ½!) of the OLS course. This averages out to about 22 lessons per quarter, or **2-3 lessons per week**. You may choose which units/lessons you would like to complete, so be sure not to get behind!

Websites for extra practice – check with your content (Math, ELA) or homeroom teacher for website suggestions.

Work Space- Set up a quiet workspace for your student.

Writing Portfolios - will be assigned twice throughout the school year. Students will complete an independent writing essay in the fall and another one in the spring. Student essays will be graded by writing teachers.

Xtra hours built up can help if you go out of town or if you are sick – if you build up extra hours of attendance, these extra hours are really helpful to have as “back-up” if you get sick or if there is an emergency in your family.

Your CHOICE – Some of the Literature unit are “reader’s choice” books. Please choose a title you would like to read, borrow from the library or a friend OR purchase from Amazon etc. k12/NCVA do not furnish all the titles available on the list. The books with a lower number beside them are somewhat easier than the books that have a higher number beside of them. So, choose carefully!

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