

Bellbrook Online Academy Fall Semester, School Year 2020-21 6-12 Family News

Student Name: <<Student First Name>> <<Student Last Name>> Grade: <<Student Grade>>

September 8, 2020, is the start date for Bellbrook Online Academy. Student enrollment for the Bellbrook Online Academy allows for the use of Bellbrook-Sugarcreek teachers to serve as facilitators and/or consultants for the Edmentum curriculum. Teacher introductions and contact information will be coming soon!

Please know our building administrators and school counselors are hard at work to design appropriate schedules for your child(ren). Not all schedules are complete yet. For example, Bellbrook High School offerings are robust and creating new schedules is a huge undertaking. Special thanks go out to all administrators, school counselors and teachers for working together to help launch the Bellbrook Online Academy (BOA). Please be patient with us as we are busy preparing to serve over six-hundred students in BOA in order to honor your desire to keep your family safe. We are engaged in facilitator training, learning platform data imports, and final staff assignments full time in order to kick off a great year. We also continue to field many inquiries from families and are doing our best to communicate in a timely fashion.

Your next step!

Talk as a family

Online learning poses unique challenges and it should not be viewed as an easier alternative to face to face education. Our facilitators will have high expectations and will be monitoring your child's progress very closely. Daily engagement is expected as we are required by the Ohio Department of Education to monitor online attendance which encompases student timely completion of assignments, mastery of content, online presence, and active participation. You too, will be able to monitor your child's progress and grades and we will provide information to guide you in this process. Active family engagement is critical for your child's success. Grades earned in the Edmentum online platform will transfer to Bellbrook-Sugarcreek records in order to produce the traditional report card you are accustomed to. As a reminder, you and your child(ren) have made a commitment to Bellbrook Online Academy for the entire <u>first semester</u>. This is critical for organizational planning, class size management, and staffing assignments. Most importantly, this ensures that your student has a more seamless, consistent educational experience.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCE:

• <u>5 Things Parents Can Do to Support Students in Virtual Courses</u>

School fees:

\$74.00 (the typical Chromebook and computer services annual fee) You may pay your child's school fees by any of the following methods:

- call your child's home school to use a card over the phone
- send a check to your child's school
- use this link to pay online.

School pictures:

BOA students are encouraged to participate in school pictures. Principals will send schedules soon.

REMINDERS:

Chromebook pickup details:

Please go to the appropriate building, matching the grade level of your child this fall. **NOTE: The BHS dates have been modified.**

BELLBROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL:
Monday, August 24, 2020: Last Names A- L from 6-8 pm
Tuesday, August 25, 2020: Last Names M - Z from 6-8 pm
Wednesday, August 26, 2020: if unable to pick up on your assigned day, 6-8 pm
Pick up in the Cafetorium
BELLBROOK HIGH SCHOOL: Note change
Wednesday, August 26, 2020: All BOA students from 8am-3pm
Pick up in room 204

Parent Contact Information:

Additionally, please make sure your contact information, including email address and phone number, is correct in OneView under the "Parent/Guardian #1" and "Parent/Guardian #2" section. This will ensure that you receive timely communications.

Please email <u>info@bss.k12.oh.us</u>, and include your contact information if you have further questions. <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u>