

WHAT IS SUPPORT?

The goal of support is to assist each student to become a self-advocate; to understand their disability, know their needs, and utilize their strengths to learn what strategies they need to be successful.

Activities/topics include:

- * Individual IEP goals
- * Weekly grade conferences with support teacher
- * Organization and transition activities
- * Reading, writing, and math remediation
- * Study and test-taking strategies and skills
- * Help with current class assignments and projects

A FINAL THOUGHT..

WE'RE SENIORS. You might have thought this year was so far away but it's finally here.

You can choose how you make your senior year. Start strong and you will have a successful year. Practice using the resources that you've acquired here and think like a college student.

In less than a year, you will be walking across the stage at graduation – let's make it a smooth year with as little stress as possible!

YOU CAN DO THIS!

DURING MY SENIOR YEAR...

I will:

- ❖ Be organized with my schoolwork
- ❖ Use some kind of management system to keep track of due dates
- ❖ Continue being involved in a club, activity, or sport here at OJR. Take a leadership role in a group that I'm involved in.
- ❖ Know what I plan to do after I graduate and update my resume
- ❖ Know what schools I plan to apply to and their due dates for applications
- ❖ Ask for letters of recommendation from teachers for college applications (if needed)
- ❖ Consider taking the SAT one more time in the fall or consider taking the ACT if a school I'm interested in accepts the ACT.
- ❖ Sign up for appointments with colleges that visit OJR through Naviance
- ❖ Visit colleges of interest with parents and meet with their office of disabilities
- ❖ Visit Naviance and Guidance for scholarship applications
- ❖ Talk with your parents, guidance counselor, and support teacher about what your ideas for after you graduate and share news with them to keep them in the loop.

Survival Guide

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**Grade 12 Case Managers/
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CASE MANAGER VS. LEARNING SUPPORT TEACHER

Each student has an IEP case manager and a learning support teacher. In some cases, this is the same person. If not:

1. Contact your child's IEP case manager if you have questions about your child's IEP, accommodations, and/or transition plan, or would like to schedule a meeting.
2. Contact your child's learning support teacher if you have questions about your child's classes or grades.
3. You are also encouraged to contact your child's regular education teacher about their class, assignments, or grades.

KEYSTONES

AREN'T A GRADUATION REQUIREMENT FOR THE CLASS OF 2017!!!! WOO HOO!!!!

SENIOR YEAR IEP

Each student will participate in their last IEP meeting as a high school student. This is their time to reflect and provide the IEP team with their input related to college and career planning. The IEP team will provide continued services to support your student academically and emotionally throughout the year. Most importantly, the focus will be preparing for independence.

Along with participating in an IEP meeting, senior IEP students will participate in:

- Senior interviews
- Assembling a Career Portfolio
- Understanding the Americans with Disabilities Act

Finally, as we approach the end of the school year, each student will be presented with a Summary of Performance (SOP) and a Graduation NOREP.

SCHOOLWIRES, D2L, AND SKYWARD...OH MY!

Each teacher has a class page located on the OJR high school website. All students are encouraged to utilize their teachers' Schoolwires and D2L pages and check them regularly in order to receive updated information, assignments, study guides, etc.

To view a teacher's page, go to www.ojrsd.com, click on high school under our schools; click staff directory; find and click on your teacher's name. There are no options to join a page, like Fusion.

During the year, teachers will also be utilizing D2L for class information, calendars, and resources. There may be homework assignments to complete on D2L or to submit through D2L. **DO NOT** wait until the last minute to get used to using D2L. If you are struggling with how to use it, see your class teacher ASAP.

For senior year, students will be checking grades during support class, but recording will not be required. We encourage parents to check grades with their child as well.

Parents and students can download the Skyward app onto their smart phones.

Contact the main office if you have trouble logging onto or navigating your Skyward account.

