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OUR MISSION: Gwinnett Online Campus is to enhance the learning of students in a world-class virtual environment as we empower them with twenty-first century knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in the local, national, and global community.

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A very special welcome to all of our new 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents!

We are thrilled that you have chosen Gwinnett Online Campus and we are already looking forward to the 2018-2019 school year. This letter serves as a confirmation of your registration. Below, you will find some important information to prepare you for the upcoming school year.

**#GOCOWLS** is the weekly newsletter sent out each Thursday to parents, students, and staff. It will be important to read this communication every week to stay informed throughout the school year. The first edition of the 2018-2019 #GOCOWLS will come to your email during the first week of August. Be on the lookout for this important newsletter!

**Student Orientation** is mandatory for all new students; students will learn about Gwinnett Online Campus and participate in mandatory pre-testing. Parents should plan to attend the morning session only and return at 2:30 PM to pick up their students. Students should bring a lunch with them to orientation; water and lemonade will be provided.

**First Day of Class** is Monday, August 13, 2018. Students will have access to their courses beginning on Wednesday, August 8. While students can begin working in their courses, the official first day of classes will begin on Monday, August 13.

**Learning Labs** are face-to-face learning opportunities each week. These sessions are not required, but they are highly recommended. A copy of the campus schedule, including Learning Labs, is included with this letter.

Photos will be used for student IDs and will serve as your fall school photo.

Mark Your Calendar with these important dates:

Date	Audience	Time	Event	Additional Information
August 8	Grade 6	9 AM – 2:30 PM	Mandatory Orientation, Pre- testing and photo IDs	Parents should stay until 10 AM; students should bring a lunch
August 9	Grade 7-8	9 AM – 2:30 PM	Mandatory Orientation, Pre- testing and photo IDs	Parents should stay until 10 AM; students should bring a lunch
August 13	Grades 6-8	Flexible at home schedule	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Classes	Students should work in their courses from home.
August 15	Grade 6	9 AM – 2:30 PM	Learning Lab and Pre-testing	This day is mandatory
August 16	Grade 7-8	9 AM – 2:30 PM	Learning Lab and Pre-testing	This day is mandatory
August 17	Grades 6-8	10 AM – 10:45 AM	Adobe Connect Orientation	Students should participate from home.
August 22	Grades 6-8	9 AM- 12:25 PM	Learning Labs	Regular schedule resumes

If you have any questions about the upcoming school year, please contact us. We are looking forward to next year!

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