

TRANSPORTATION

- April has been a roller coaster, but we made it! I want to thank **THE WHOLE** transportation team for being such amazing team players and for being so flexible. I had to move staff around, permanently & temporarily, to be able to make the routes work and everyone cooperated without hesitation. You guys are amazing, and I appreciate each and every one of you.
- I also want to do a special shout out to Jena. She has been in transportation from the very beginning and always gave it her all. Although we are sad that she is no longer part of the Transportation Team, we are happy that she is still part of our Odyssey Team 😊 Thank you for your 10+ years of dedication in Transportation!



-Velma

TRAINING

Proximity control is key to teaching skills and keeping students safe.



It's best to be within **arm's reach** of your students at all times, especially if you are outside.

STAFF CORNER

Cuteness courtesy of Mary



Claire Bear Doodle Dog

This is a dedicated space for any staff to submit their favorite recipe, hobbies, photos, fun facts, riddles, jokes...etc.

Submissions must be appropriate for the workplace and based on admin's approval.

If you would like to participate, please send your submissions to **sheathompson@odysseylearningcenter.org**

BEHAVIOR

- We want to express our appreciation for your efforts to understand and implement preventions in your classrooms.
- We understand that we are adding more for you to think about during an already busy school day. But please know that preventions are the most important method to reduce behaviors. Every behavior that we prevent using replacement behaviors or strategies is teaching our students a better way to communicate their wants and needs and participate in class activities.
- If each staff member implemented just one more chance for communication practice every hour, gave an extra time warning before a transition, or one more sensory break before table lessons, it will add up and we will see results. Thank you!

-Josh and Monique

MAINTENANCE

- Remember to **LOCK** your cleaning supply cupboards.
- When throwing things in the dumpster please double check that you are using the correct bin. **DO NOT** put unapproved items in the Recycle.



STAFF SHOUTOUTS

- Welcome our newest staff Sydney 2B, Miguel 2B, Wanda 2A, Marissa 2A, and Patricia 4A to the OLC team!
- Congratulations to Ryan and Yareli who are tackling their new role as Teachers!
- *Shoutouts from Ryan:*
 - Angelica for always holding herself to the highest standards with students no matter the situation or circumstances! She never makes excuses and does what she needs to do no matter what, even when we're down staff!
 - Mando for always problem solving and running ideas for preventatives with all staff!
 - Mathew for following through after difficult behaviors and moving forward right away so students know they can still have an amazing day!
 - Kristina, Wes and Jen for being so flexible with student service hours and doing what they can to accommodate their wants and needs!
 - Chris for always responding so quickly to any maintenance request and/or clean up. It's like I turn around again, and he's already finished!
- *Shoutouts from Kathy:* Classroom 4A staff for their teamwork and communication to support each other as well as welcoming our new staff and to ensure prevention strategies are implemented!

UPCOMING EVENTS

This Weds **4/26** is Admin. Appreciation Day!



This Thurs. **4/27** is unofficial OLC Overall Day for whoever would like to participate!

This Friday **4/28** is Staff/Client Appreciation Day! To show appreciation for everyone, we are going to barbecue hotdogs for all staff, students, and clients from **11:30am-1:30pm**.

We will provide condiments, chips, and a drink. Thank you to everyone for all of your hard work and for choosing to be part of the OLC team.



The first week of May is Teacher Appreciation Week!

H.R.

- Shout out to Shelby for helping out with interviews!
- **ALL STAFF** should be checking Paylocity's Community page regularly.
- Reminder to clock in and clock out within 2 minutes of your scheduled start/end time. We also need you to remember to clock out for breaks by selecting start/end lunch.
- If you have not enrolled in direct deposit, we recommend you do so before the summer breaks, if not checks will be mailed out.