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-Gandhi**



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**-Walt Disney**



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Alternative to Suspension, or **A2S**, is a suspension amnesty program for students who have been suspended as a result of OCPS Code of Student Conduct violations. It is a positive alternative to out-of-school suspensions and offers students a classroom setting where they can continue their school work while also benefiting from character education.

Academic work will be monitored by OCPS teachers and staff. Students will be able to complete school assignments with the goal of keeping up with their school work so that the transition back to the classroom is as simple as possible.

The **A2S** program also provides students with skill-building through character and career education lessons that can improve their communication, decision-making and problem-solving abilities. These skills will help students create more positive relationships with their peers and adults. The goal is for students to better understand the connection between their own behavior and positive or negative consequences.

A2S students will be supervised by certified teachers, paraprofessionals and guidance counselors. The program is a partnership between OCPS, the City of Orlando, the English Speaking Union and Orange County government.

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Certified OCPS teachers and paraprofessionals provide academic and behavioral support, and students have access to laptops and OCPS resources to complete assignments sent by their teachers.
- Students may attend A2S for one to ten days, depending on the assigned length of their suspension.
- Students that successfully complete the program will be counted in full attendance for their time in the A2S program.
- The parent/legal guardian is responsible for transportation. Students picked up late may be dismissed from the program.
- School hours are 7:30 a.m. to 2:17 p.m. (1:17 p.m. on Wednesdays).
- Breakfast and lunch are provided by OCPS to A2S sites and student accounts will be charged according to each student's lunch plan. Students may also bring a cold bag lunch that will not need to be re-heated.
- Breakfast is between 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
- Students must abide by A2S rules and the OCPS Student Code of Conduct in order to remain in the program.

**A2S Parent Orientation** The parent or guardian must accompany the student at 7:30 a.m. on the first day for registration and a brief orientation.

## PROGRAM RULES

- Students need a Parent/Guardian Letter provided by their home school with a legal guardian signature.
- A parent or legal guardian is required to come with the student on the first day to sign orientation forms.
- The OCPS dress code will be enforced.
- Each student will work independently and classroom disruption will not be tolerated.
- Students must complete all assigned work.
- Students must stay seated unless they have permission to move.
- Communication between students is not allowed. All digital devices (including cell phones) may be used only for academic purposes.
- Students arriving after 7:50 a.m. will not be permitted to attend that day.
- Students who are obviously ill should not be brought to A2S. There are no clinic services for the program.
- A parent or legal guardian must call the A2S site to report any student absence.
- Students that violate program rules will be dismissed immediately.