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Dear DLSZ Parents and Students,

As we begin our second year of the Online Distance Learning (ODL) program, we have evaluated our processes last year and began planning for an even better ODL platform when classes open in July. To establish an improved digital classroom environment for all our students and enable our school to better engage, share, and participate in a collaborative learning community, we have decided to partner with Instructure for Canvas, a learning management system (LMS) used by many leading educational institutions globally. We are still going to use Seesaw in Pre-Kinder to Grade 3, but Canvas will provide a framework and additional tools to facilitate online learning. Canvas will be the institutional LMS from Grade School to Senior High School as well as in Br. Rafael Donato FSC Night High School.

What is Canvas?

Canvas is a learning management system (LMS) that allows teachers to provide instructional support, class calendars, assignments, and resources for students in a safe online environment. Canvas has better capabilities than our previous learning platforms and has unique features Learning Commons, a section for sharing of materials, etc. Canvas will be an integral part of sharing ODL and blended classroom instruction.

What is the Purpose of Canvas?

The school hopes that this resource will provide you with specific information about your student's Curricula to have a better understanding of the work that teachers and students are doing. Canvas will enable the teachers and the school to communicate to students that the skills and content identified in the subject areas (the application uses the term Courses) are important to master.

What is the Parent Observer Role in Canvas?

Parents will be given an Observer access through the Canvas Parent App and will have limited permissions to see and check what is going on in a course and the calendar of assignments. Like Students, Observers can only view the courses once it is published and the course has started. Parents will be updated on the Assignments, Test Dates, Quizzes, or other Canvas course content through Canvas.

What can Parent Observers view in Canvas?

Below are the features available to Parents. Please note that not all courses use all the features.

- Set your Notifications
- View the Dashboard
- View the Syllabus
- View prompts but no participate in Discussions
- View but not submit assignments
- Preview and download some Files
- View the Modules Page
- View Canvas Grades
- View the Calendar
- Communicate with the teacher.

Canvas Parent Mobile APP

The Canvas Parent app is the mobile version of Canvas that helps parents stay up-to-date with their child's courses. We will issue a separate advisory regarding when you may download the app and how it will be synchronized with your child's Canvas account.

Thank you for your usual support and cooperation as we work together to leverage these powerful collaboration tools for 21st century teaching and learning. We look forward to offering these learning tools to your children next year as we conquer and overcome the challenges that we face in online learning.

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