



SECTION III: STUDENT POLICIES 3200

Social Sessions and Sharing Contact Information

For student safety and privacy, Oklahoma Virtual Charter School (“OVCA”) students are prohibited from sharing contact information during Class Connect Sessions or on Discussion Boards.

Students are permitted to share contact information during online social sessions held in Blackboard Collaborate with parent/legal guardian permission. Only students whose parent/legal guardian have completed the electronic permission slip will be able to attend the optional online session where contact information may be shared. Sessions are monitored by OVCA staff, but it is the responsibility of the parent to discuss personal family rules and expectations regarding which contact information may be shared with classmates.

Parents are further advised that information and images shared during these social sessions may be available to all users of these sessions and are therefore no longer private. OVCA cannot guarantee the security of information that is disclosed or communicated online in such sessions, and parents authorize the release of such information at their own risk.

The right to participate in social sessions is a privilege. If, in the sole and exclusive opinion of OVCA, the conduct of a student warrants the termination of this privilege, a student will be removed from the social sessions.

A family directory is also available so parents may find other parents by location of their homes and student grade levels. Parents may search by name and other information in a parent profile. The new directory is automatically updated as a parent's status changes, such as moving across town or changing an e-mail address. There is an online opt-in/out capability, so parents can easily include or exclude themselves from the directory.