




OASD Teacher/Student Digital Communication Tools

Students have a variety of ways that they can virtually meet with their teachers and peers. The list below includes information on resources they may be using

Tool	Purpose	Instructions/Resources
	Zoom is a video tool for students and parents to connect with teachers that does not require a Google account.	Families and Students can join by computer or phone with a link provided by the teacher.
	Go Guardian Teacher is a tool that allows students to have live sessions with their teachers to show them what they are working on and “chat” with their teacher.	Teachers will communicate with students about when and how they might use this tool. It is primarily used in grades 3-12 in select situations.
 *Also referred to as Hangouts/Meet	Google Meet is a video and chat tool that allows students to collaborate with their teachers and classmates.	Students can join by a Meet by using a link from their teacher. If students wish to have their own Meet to collaborate with peers on school work, they can do so. Click here for Student Directions on Google Meet Google Meet Etiquette Guide for Students

What's the best way for students to connect with their teachers for help?

For video/phone calls and live chats most teachers will share joining information to a Google Meet, Zoom, or Go Guardian Teacher Chat. Individual teachers will relay their plans for meetings and ways to get help. In most cases, it's recommended that if a student needs help outside of designated meeting times, they/their parents contact the teacher by email or phone to make arrangements.

What options do students have to connect with each other for group work, collaboration, and social interactions?

Students can connect with each other via video, voice, and chat on meet.google.com. The most secure way to do this is to add their peers by email and give them the option to join. Please know that any students who are Meeting without teachers will be unsupervised. We recommend talking to your child about expectations and being a responsible and safe “digital and online citizen”. For non-school related interactions, we would recommend something set-up and monitored by parents. [Common Sense Media](#) has some great resources for families.