



# COMPASS

## CHARTER SCHOOLS

**Options Program**  
**Welcome Back to School “Night”**  
**August 28th, 2018**

**(855) 937- 4227**

**[CompassCharters.org](http://CompassCharters.org)**



# Agenda

- CEO Welcome
- Mission and Vision
- Director of Options Learning Welcome
- Educational Facilitators & Learning Coaches - Roles, Expectations, and Connections
- First Week of School
- What is My Compass?
- ParentSquare Overview
- Counseling Services Introduction
- Exceptional Scholar Services Introduction
- Engagement Department Introduction
- Reminders
- Get Connected and Follow Us
- Q & A



# Welcome to Compass





# CCS' Mission and Vision

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Our mission is to inspire and develop innovative, creative, self-directed learners, one scholar at a time.

## **VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to create a collaborative virtual learning community, inspiring scholars to appreciate the ways in which arts and sciences nurture a curiosity for life-long learning, and prepare scholars to take responsibility for their future success.



# The Options Team



Kristy Smith  
Director of  
Options Learning



Jeanne Hlebo  
Vendor Relations  
Coordinator



Donnell Tyler  
Vendor Relations  
Specialist





# The Options Team





# Options Department's Mission Statement

We partner with homeschool families to provide flexible options for scholars to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.



# Role of the Educational Facilitator

We are here to support you -- the teaching parent!

- Support family in making curriculum choices
- Place service and material orders with Vendor Relations
- Meet with families twice a month to review academic progress
- Review work samples in Seesaw and give feedback
- Official record keeping (Master Agreement, attendance, work samples, report cards, etc.)





# Learning Coach Expectations

- Read Parent/Scholar Handbook with your scholar
- Familiarize yourself with ParentSquare and use it to log daily activity each week
- Work with scholar to create a daily/weekly schedule
- Capture snapshots of work samples/upload to Seesaw
- Meet virtually with your EF during regularly-scheduled times
- Create an organized and distraction-free learning space





# Connecting with Your Educational Facilitator

- Schedule a regular day/time to meet with your EF
- Discuss progress in specific subjects
- Answer any questions
- Review work samples and give feedback
- Provide additional support



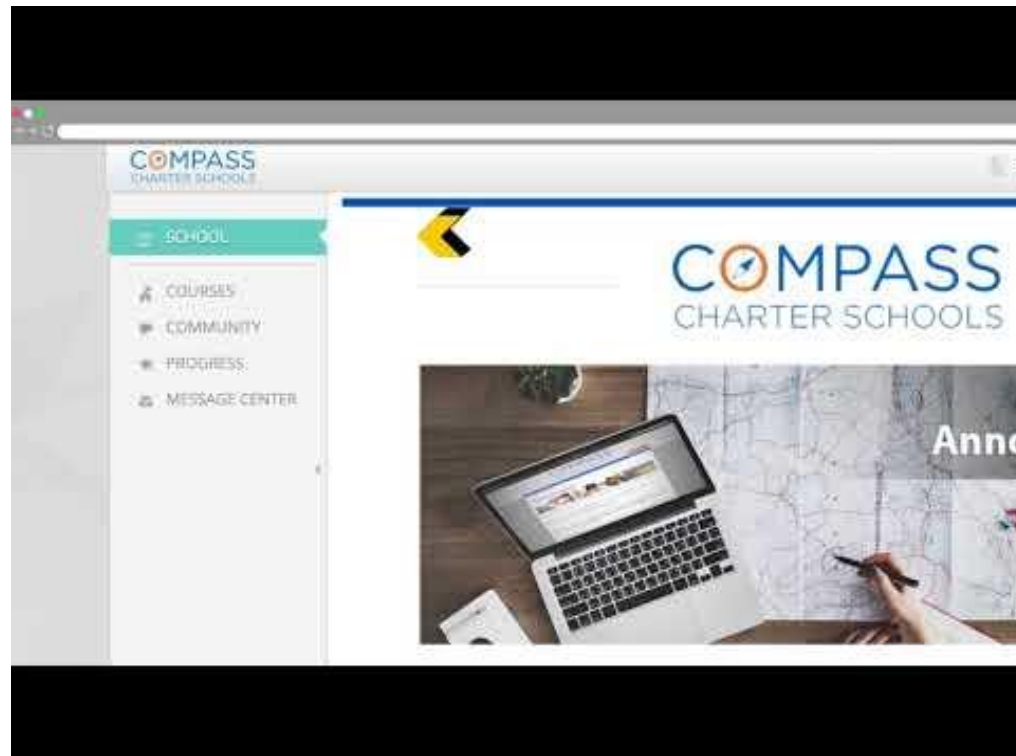
# First Week of School

- Make sure you complete Getting Started when you receive it via email
- Log in to My Compass and read the info
- Plan curriculum for each subject area
- Familiarize yourself with ParentSquare
- On Friday, complete the first attendance log in ParentSquare
- Take online benchmark assessments
- Set up your weekly/daily calendar
- Set up a day/time to connect with your EF
- Bookmark important websites for easy access





# StrongMind Parent Scholar Portal



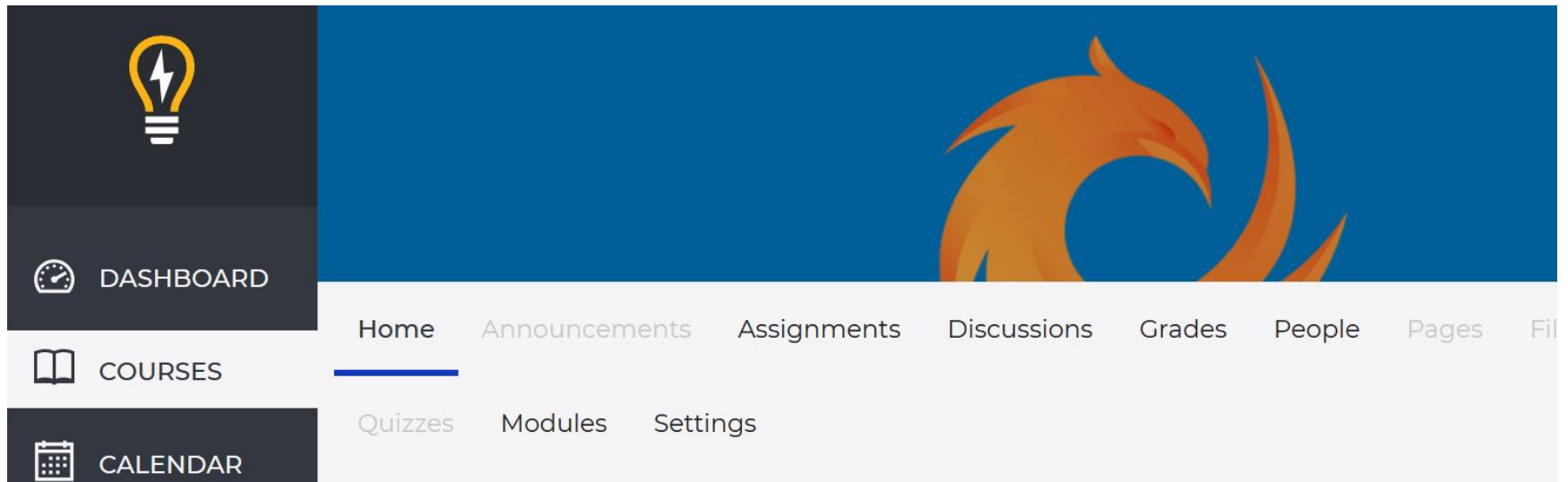
<http://startcompass.org>

Orientation Video: <https://youtu.be/PgodxKMb5k>



# What is My Compass?

- A mini-course that will help you become familiar with success as a CCS scholar
- A resource that will be accessible to you throughout the school year





ParentSquare

**With ParentSquare you'll be able to:**

- Receive all school and classroom communication via email, text or app
- View and download photos
- View the school and classroom calendar and RSVP for events
- Complete weekly Activity Logs

COMMUNICATE



*You will soon receive an invitation email or text to join ParentSquare. Please click the link to activate your account. It takes less than a minute!*





# Parent Square Makes Activity Logs Easy!

Sample email sent via Parent Square:

**Activity Log - Week of August 20 - 24 - Due 8/31 (example for you)**

[Form](#)

Please complete the Activity Log form for August 20-24. The form will be due on 8/31.

If you have any questions please contact your Supervising Teacher or Educational Facilitator.

Thank you!

(This is just going out to staff right now as an example)

*You can complete your form by clicking the link below.*



[Complete and Sign Form](#)

[View or Reply](#) • [Appreciate](#)

***This email will be sent every Friday for you to complete Activity & PE Logs***



# Parent Square Makes Activity Logs Easy!

## Sample Activity Log Form:

### New TEST Activity Log - Week of September 4, 2018

Student Name \*

Select Child ▼

For your Daily Subject Log, please select each of the subject areas that your scholar worked on for that day. Examples include reading for class, working on an assignment for class, researching for an assignment for class, etc. This is meant to show the educational activities occurring daily so that your scholar is marked present for the indicated school day. This may also include attending a school sponsored field trip and/or participating in state testing. If your scholar was sick or absent, please be sure to select the appropriate box and provide a signed doctor's note to your scholar's Supervising Teacher in order to excuse the absence.

For your Daily PE Log, please enter the number of minutes your scholar participated in physical activity for that day. Examples include running, walking, riding a bike, etc. This is meant to show the physical activity occurring daily. The minutes required per grade level each week are:

K-5: 100 minutes

6-12: 200 minutes

\*NOTE - the Daily PE Log is not required for online middle and high school scholars.

#### Tuesday, September 4, 2018 Subject Log \*

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> English                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Math          | <input type="checkbox"/> Science  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Studies              | <input type="checkbox"/> Elective(s)   | <input type="checkbox"/> PE   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Sponsored Field Trip | <input type="checkbox"/> State Testing | <input type="checkbox"/> Sick/Absent (submit note to Supervising Teacher) |

#### Tuesday, September 4, 2018 PE Log (Activity & Minutes Spent)

#### Wednesday, September 5, 2018 Subject Log \*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> English                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Math          | <input type="checkbox"/> Science  |
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- In order to submit the activity log, be sure to complete each section

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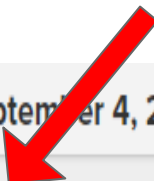
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# Parent Square

## Electronic Signature Consent

By clicking the 'Submit' button below, I declare that the information I have provided is true.

Parent/ Guardian Name

Parent/ Guardian Email

Parent/ Guardian Phone

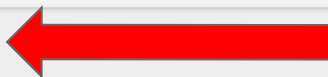
Janae Smith

jsmith@compasscharters.org

*Information entered on this form will be visible to the post author and ParentSquare admins*

## Electronic Signature \*

Please type your full name



*Full name must match exactly as provided to ParentSquare*

Submit



# Assessments

- **CAASPP:** California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress aka SBAC: Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium
  - 95% participation
  - Important for charter renewal
  - College/Career Readiness







# Assessments

- **CAASPP:**

- English Language Arts (ELA), math, and science
- Based on CA content standards and NGSS
- Computer Adaptive Test and Performance Task
- Scholars in grades 3-8 and 11 are assessed in ELA and math
- Scholars in grades 5, 8, and 11 are also assessed in science
- Testing in Spring 2019
- Practice & Training tests at [www.caaspp.org](http://www.caaspp.org)



# Assessments

- **ELPAC: English Language Proficiency Assessments for California**
  - ELPAC Initial: for English Learners entering CA public school for the first time
  - ELPAC Summative: annual assessment for English Learners
- **Benchmark Assessments**
  - Istation- computer adaptive assessment with supporting instruction for TK-8
  - Galileo - computer-based assessment within the StrongMind platform
- **Physical Fitness Test (PFT)**
  - Scholars in grades 5, 7, and 9
  - Testing window begins February 1, 2019



# Counseling Services Department





# Counseling Services Department

The counseling department consists of a Counseling Services Director 4 School Counselors, a College Career Readiness Counselor, Scholar Success Coordinator and Transcript Technician. Each scholar in grades 6-12 are assigned to a school counselor by the last name.

**Director of Counseling Services** is Debra Stephan

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**G-L, your counselor is Mr. Samples**

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**M-R, your counselor is Mrs. Schwartzberg**

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**S-Z, your counselor is Mrs. Gonzalez**

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**College Career Readiness Counselor** for all last names is **Ms. Olson**

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**Scholar Success Coordinator: Kasey Wingate**

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**Transcript Technician: Karla Gonzalez**

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# The Role of Your High School Counselor (6-12 grade)

Our Comprehensive School Counseling Program provides school counselors who...

- **Focus on academic, social/emotional, and college/career awareness/readiness skills**
- **Collaborate** with school staff, parents, and the community to create a safe and respectful learning environment whereby young adolescents can maximize personal and academic achievement.
- **Support** scholars to achieve optimal personal growth, acquire positive social skills and values, set appropriate college/career goals and realize full academic potential to become productive, contributing members of the world community.

**Note:** High School courses are not a-g approved under the Options Program. Please reach out to your counselor for additional information.





# Exceptional Scholar Services







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- Our Specialized Academic Instruction (SAI) is provided in a virtual online setting using tools as Adobe Connect, GoToMeeting, or other online applications.
- IEP services for Speech, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Psychological Services often referred to as related services are provided by specialized contractors and these services are provided virtually.
- For specific questions or concerns, please reach out to our Director of Exceptional Scholar Services, Gabrielle Golan, at [ggolan@compasscharters.org](mailto:ggolan@compasscharters.org) or 805-807-5058.
- Look for a special welcome from the Exceptional Scholar Services Team.



# Engagement Department



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Director of Engagement

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## Engagement Department Services

- Field Trips/Events
- Back to School Picnics
- Scholar Clubs
- Virtual Scholar Workshops
- Scholar Recognition
- Contests
- Learning Coach Workshops
- 12th Grade Graduation
- 8th Grade Promotion
- End of the Year Picnics & More!



# Field Trips & Enrichment Events

- ★ Register for all field trips by logging into ParentSquare and clicking on “Calendar” from the left hand menu bar. Select the calendar item that applies to the field trip you would like to attend. Review the details and navigate to the bottom of the calendar item to complete registration, fill out the permission form and provide payment (if necessary)
- ★ A great tip is to use the county indicators on field trip names to easily find events that apply to your family
- ★ Be sure to pay close attention to registration deadlines and be sure to register early to ensure your scholar’s participation.
- ★ Please note that no scholar may attend a Field Trip hosted by Compass Charter Schools unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or legal adult. No exceptions are possible for this rule.
- ★ Some activities are at no cost for the participants to join - scholar, siblings and attending adults! For activities that require payment - all scholars will attend for \$0! Attending adults, siblings and guests are able to join at our discounted group rate by pre-paying at the time of sign up via the link on the calendar item.
- ★ All pre-payments are non-refundable. Please take note of all event details at the time of sign up. An email with reminders will be sent out to all who register by the posted deadline for event registration.
- ★ Please note that whether or not an event requires pre-payment - Anyone who attends a field trip or enrichment event that is under the age of 18 must have a permission slip submitted. Permission slips are submitted virtually at the time of registration with our virtual registration form.



# Field Trips & Enrichment Events

- **Back to School Picnics**
  - Friday, September 7th from 11am-1pm in Clovis, Thousand Oaks, Riverside, Costa Mesa and San Diego!
- **Save the Dates for our September Field Trips**
  - School Space Photo Contest - Month of September
  - Virtual Scholar Workshop - September 11th
  - LA County Fair (MS/HS) - September 19th
  - SDCAP Musical Theatre Class - September 20th
  - Fresno Chaffee Zoo - September 21st
  - Birch Aquarium - September 25th
  - OC Zoo Docent Lead Tour - September 26th
  - Scholar Clubs Info Session - Virtual Event - September 27th
  - Fine Art Class at Mission: Renaissance - September 27th
  - Cal Earth Private Interactive Tour - September 28th



# Field Trips & Enrichment Events

- **Additional Save the Dates for Upcoming Field Trips**
  - Mission San Juan Capistrano - October 3rd
  - Magic Mountain Homeschool Day - October 15th
  - Spirit Week - Red Ribbon Week - October 22nd to 26th
  - Riley's Farm Civil War Tour - November 2nd
  - Ocean Quest Private Boat Excursion lead by Discovery Cube - November 14th
  - Virtual Talent Show - November 15th
  - JPL - January 23rd
  - Catalina Toyon Bay (9th to 11th Grade) - February 11th to February 13th
  - AstroCamp (4th to 7th Grade) - March 29th to March 31st



# Scholar Clubs

- Scholar-Led and Staff Supported
  - Meet virtually once per month (sometimes more often)
  - ParentSquare Community for interacting with club members outside of meetings
  - Possible meet-ups throughout the school year
  - Some are grade specific, others are open to all grade levels
  - Join us on September 27th in a virtual session to kick off our Scholar Clubs for the 2018-2019 school year!
- Arts & Crafts Club
  - Awesome Elementary Artist's Club
  - Chess Club
  - Computer Code Club
  - Cooking Club
  - Creative Writing Club
  - Dance Club
  - ESports Club
  - Genders & Sexualities Alliance
  - LEGO Club
  - Minecraft Club
  - NHS
  - NJHS
  - Performing Arts Club - High School
  - Photo Club
  - Scholar Leadership Council
  - Science Club
  - Science Olympiad
  - Skateboard Club
  - Video Production Club
  - Virtual Field Trips Club





# Reminders

## WELCOME BACK PACKET

- Important Dates
- Important Links
- Contact Information
- Records Requests
- IT Support
- Scholar ID Cards
- Program Overview
- Parent & Scholar Expectations
- Parent / Scholar Engagement
- And more!



# Check Out Our Website!

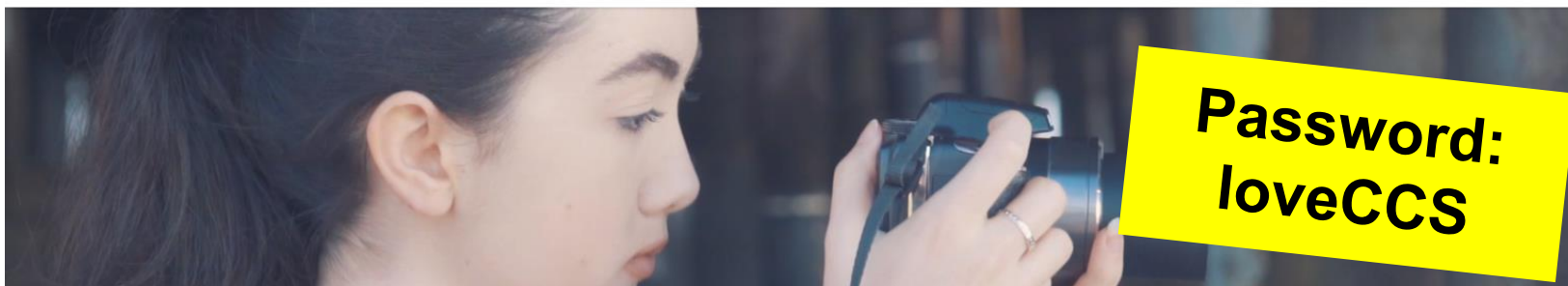
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# Scholar Leadership Council



## Scholar Leadership Council Apply Today!

Now accepting new applicants

Contact J.J. Lewis, Superintendent & CEO





# Parent Advisory Council



## Parent Advisory Council

Apply Today!

Now Accepting New Applicants

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# Questions?



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