

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families,

Thanks to all our families who joined our first PTA General Membership Meeting and Principal Chat. Materials from our Principal Chat are linked below. Thanks to those who engaged in rich conversation and committed to proactively helping our school community with safety. Additionally this week, we practiced our first unannounced code red lock down drill. Our staff received praise from the WCPSS Security Department and participating Wake County Sheriff's Deputies for efficiently and thoroughly executing safety procedures. Please enjoy a nice fall weekend, and we look forward to a great week ahead.

--Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of October 6th - 10th

Tuesday, October 7th

- Fall Athletic Pictures (Coaches will share details)

Monday, October 13th - No School, Teacher Workday

Principal Chat - School Safety

- [Presentation](#)

Family Engagement - Our Family Engagement committee is preparing for a spring Family Engagement evening with the intent to feature short learning sessions for families on topics of interest to our families. Please take 90 seconds and complete [this feedback questionnaire](#) so that we can tailor our session offerings around topics of high interest to our families. <https://bit.ly/OMMSfamilyideas>

Build the Blaze - Build the Blaze, Oberlin's annual no-fuss fundraiser, is coming soon - kicking off on October 12th! In order to get the students involved in supporting their school community, we are holding "**Coin Wars**" again this year during both lunches from 10/13-10/17. This is a friendly competition between teams in each grade, where students bring in coins to get points for their teams and/or take away points from other teams. We need WCPSS Volunteer Approved parent volunteers to make it happen! Sign up here to help:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A5AD2AAB9-58752837-copy>

Lost and Found - Lost and found items are hung / displayed on a rack in our cafeteria. We encourage families to include names on all items so that they can be returned if placed in lost and found. Lost and found items are kept for around two weeks, prior to being donated to charity. Please include names in all items, and encourage your student to visit lost and found promptly to check for anything missing.

Sanderson High School - Students interested in touring Sanderson High School can sign up and find more information at this [link](#). Several tours are scheduled from October through March, but an RSVP is required. Tours will include presentations from students and staff members and a tour of the campus. Following the tour of the campus, staff will be in the library to answer any questions you may have about Sanderson High School. All tours will begin at 8:00 am and end by 9:00 am.

BIMAS - WCPSS uses a Behavior Universal Screener to help identify students who are at risk of future academic, behavioral, or emotional difficulties. Just like some students benefit from additional academic supports and interventions, we know some students would benefit from additional support to strengthen their behavioral, social, and emotional skills. The research-based screening tool our district uses is Behavior Intervention Monitoring Assessment System-2, or BIMAS-2 (pronounced BYE-mahs two). Students' homeroom teachers complete a 1-page questionnaire about students' actions and emotions they displayed in class during a one-week time period. Teachers will complete the questionnaire twice a school year, typically around the beginning of the second and fourth quarters. More information regarding the BIMAS screener can be found [here](#), including directions for how to "opt out."

Unity Day - Attention, students & staff! **Please plan to wear orange Wednesday, October 22nd for Unity Day!** Unity Day has been recognized in the United States since 2011, as part of Bullying Prevention Month. Individuals, schools, communities, and businesses wear orange as a show of support for inclusion and solidarity against bullying. Make sure to wear orange on **Wednesday, October 22nd** for Unity Day!

Team Newsletters

Sixth Grade - [Astros](#) [Rockets](#) [Voyagers](#)

Seventh Grade - [Dragons](#) [Embers](#) [Phoenix](#)

Eighth Grade - [Globetrotters](#) [Mountaineers](#) [Rangers](#)

PTA Updates

PTA Reflections - It's time for Reflections! Each year, the PTA Reflections program offers students a platform to express their unique perspectives and interpretations of a student-created theme. For the 2025-2026 school year, the theme is "I Belong!" Students can create 1) Dance Choreography, 2) Personal Documentary, 3) Literary Story, 4) Visual Arts Collage, 5) Music Composition, and/or 6) Photography to show what "I Belong" means to them. The deadline to submit online is Friday, October 17. See the entry requirements [here](#). Reach out to Elizabeth Newman (Elizabeth@newmanfirm.com) or Ashley Jones (AshleyTJones@gmail.com) for more information.

Booster Club Passes - Fall sports are in high gear! A Booster Club membership gives your middle schooler (or even your entire family) admission to all regular-season home games, so [purchase](#) now! Remember, 100% of your membership fee goes to support our student athletes, arts, and academics. Questions about Booster Club? Reach out to Jenn Giordano at jenn@smartfulworks.com.

Join the PTA - Thank you to all of our parents, faculty, and staff who have already joined the PTA. For those of you who have not yet joined, click [here](#) and select the

option that works for your family. Email Tracy Lathan (tracy.lathan@gmail.com) with membership questions.

Coming soon . . . Build the Blaze! Stay tuned for more information about the PTA's biggest fundraiser.

You can always find up-to-date PTA information and links at: linktr.ee/OberlinPTA

A copy of all Weekly Family Communications can be found on our [website](https://www.wcpss.net/oberlinms) (<https://www.wcpss.net/oberlinms>). Follow us on **Social Media**: **@oberlinmiddle** on Twitter, **OberlinMiddle** on Instagram, **oberlinmagnetmiddleschool** on Facebook, Oberlin PTA: linktr.ee/OberlinPTA.