

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Week of: January 11th - 18th

District Updates

What Week Is It: All Virtual Learning this Week - no cohorts!

WCPSS District Family Email [Update](#)

District Calendar: [First Semester Traditional Middle School Calendars](#)

Calendar Reminders

- Wednesday, January 13th - Schedule and Materials Pick Up (Details Below)
- Wednesday, January 13th - Asynchronous Day

Second Semester Plan Switches - Families who elected to switch from In Person Instruction to Virtual Academy OR from Virtual Academy to In Person received an email from their grade level administrator with details. Any family who switched to In Person Instruction and wishes to ride the bus must complete a [bus request](#) and an [attestation form](#).

Materials Distribution - Schedule and materials pick up will take place on Wednesday, January 13th. This pick up will run similarly to previous, and all information can be found [here](#). Please note the following details:

- Pick up times organized by last name with an evening pickup from 5 - 7 pm
- Please return **all library books** during pick up!!

Principal “Meet and Greet” with Ms. Pelton - Are you interested in meeting our new principal Ms. Pelton? If so, please join us for one of the following sessions: January 19th at 12:00 pm or February 3rd at 4:00. You can sign up using the link [here](#) to indicate which session works for you and to pose any questions that you have. We hope that you will join!

Middle School Athletics Activities - Any interested middle school student-athletes will have the opportunity to participate in skill development, conditioning workouts and, for some sports, intramural competitions beginning in the second semester. Students will be able to participate only on days when they are in school for face-to-face instruction. Virtual Academy students will be assigned a cohort week for participation. This means contests and games between schools will not be held. Circumstances will continue to be reviewed as conditions change. Information from the district can be found [here](#). More information coming soon from Oberlin Athletic Director, Mr. Vidalis, with details around specific dates for each sport and information on how to sign up.

Second Quarter Report Cards / PowerSchool Parent Portal - **We will be asking families to access their child’s second quarter report card through the PowerSchool Parent Portal.** If you have not yet requested access to your child’s PowerSchool account, please follow the directions so that you will be able to view your child’s report card for second quarter:

Parents should set up a Parent Portal account to view their student's grades and report cards by downloading the [notary public form](#), have it notarized, then email or fax the form to Robin Morris at rmorris@wcpss.net or 919-670-4368 (fax). **OR Parents can also bring a completed [Parent Portal form](#) and a photo ID to the main office during business hours or during Materials Pick Up on January 13th.** A valid email address must be listed on the form. Ms. Morris will email the account information and instructions to the parent at the email address listed on the form.

Eighth Grade Families - In the third quarter of your child's English Language Arts class, students will engage in a content-rich learning module, "*The Civil Rights Movement and The Little Rock Nine.*" Students will learn of The Little Rock Nine during the civil rights era. Students will be reading the memoir of Carlotta Walls LaNier, *A Mighty Long Way: My Journey to Justice at Little Rock Central High School* and the experiences of The Little Rock Nine as captured by photographs in *Little Rock Girl 1957: How a Photograph Changed the Fight for Integration* by Shelley Tougas. At times, students will encounter the sensitive racial language of the civil rights era as they read these texts. Great care has been taken to provide students with a context of this language, as well as emphasizing the unacceptable use of this language at all times. The tasks students complete throughout this module always require students to think, talk and write using evidence from a text or other medium.

We are partners in your child's education and value clear, two-way communication. We encourage you to maintain an open dialogue with your child and with the school throughout this module so that we may address any potential questions or concerns that may arise. Please do not hesitate to touch base with your child's teacher or administrator at any time. More information about this unit of study can be found [here](#).

Library Books - Please turn in all library books during Materials Pick Up on January 13th! Library books can also be dropped off in designated containers outside of the main office between 9 and 3 each day!

WCPSS Annual Asbestos Notification to all schools can be found [here](#)

A copy of all Weekly Family Communications can be found on our [website](#) (<https://www.wcpss.net/oberlinms>). Follow us on Twitter for daily updates: [@oberlinmiddle](#)

