

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families,

We have had a great week as we have kicked off third quarter. We have a busy week coming up as we celebrate Spirit Week and begin our new year Health Challenge! We invite all students and staff to join us in showing school spirit and practicing healthy habits, with details below for both. Please plan to join us for our basketball games vs. our rival, Martin Middle School on **Thursday, February 1st AT Broughton High School** -- details below! Go Trailblazers!

--Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of: January 29 - February 2

Thursday, February 1st

- Join us at Broughton as we face rival, Martin for basketball! Doors open at 5:00, with first tip at 5:30. Wear **black!** Details below!

Saturday, February 3rd

- Science Olympiad Tournament for Participating Students

Oberlin Spirit Week Is January 29th - February 2nd. Check out this [link](#) for full details, but please join us in showing school spirit with each day's theme. All school rules and expectations remain in effect, so please make sure your spirit choices are in alignment with Trailblazer behavior expectations.

- Monday - Team Themes
- Tuesday - Dynamic Duos
- Wednesday - Favorite Holiday
- Thursday - Blackout - Cheer on Oberlin vs. Martin
- Friday - Anything But a Backpack

Oberlin Basketball Games vs. Martin AT Broughton High School -

On **Thursday, February 1st**, come out and support our basketball teams and cheer squad as we compete against our rival, Martin Middle School. Plan to **WEAR BLACK** for our school spirit **BLACK OUT!** Our boys basketball team will tip off at 5:30, and the girls team will follow in the second game. Cost of the game is \$6 (cash, Go Fan, or credit card at the door.) Please note OBC passes will not be accepted as this is considered Martin's home game.

Oberlin Health Challenge - Health Challenge TIME!! Let's capitalize on many of our resolutions to start 2024 on a healthy note and have some healthy competition within the school as well as in the community! In the past this is something the Oberlin staff has done internally. But this year we'd like to include the entire community! This challenge is going to be available to Oberlin Staff, students, families. Use this [form](#) to get started and join our Health Challenge!

Oberlin PTA Staff Appreciation Week - Staff Appreciation week is coming up the week of **February 5th!** Yes, you read that right...February. For many years OMMS has held staff appreciation week in the winter months for a few reasons. May is NUTS! Am I right?? Additionally, the winter days can be cold and dark. We look at the calendar with Ms. Pelton and look for a week, between days off, to celebrate the OMMS staff and brighten their day. We celebrate ALL staff at Oberlin... bus drivers, crossing guards, support staff... all of them! This is where you come in....donations of time, food, or money make this week possible. **Please consider signing up [here](#) for any and all of those opportunities.**

NJHS "Pay What You CAN" Sticker Gram - Oberlin's National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) will be facilitating a "Pay What You Can Sticker Gram." Students are invited to send kind and respectful notes to friends and staff members from January 31 - February 6. There is a suggested donation of 25 cents, but smaller and larger donations will be accepted. Messages can be sent via the student's homeroom classroom. This "take action" project is inspired by "A Place at the Table," and all proceeds will benefit "A Place at the Table." Thanks to these Trailblazer students for

learning, taking action, and allowing our greater community to spread kindness and support this community resource.

Yearbooks - Yearbooks are on sale now: \$50 through January 26th; \$55 beginning January 27th. The Oberlin Magnet Middle School yearbook captures today's memories to enjoy for a lifetime. Don't miss out -- reserve your copy today. Zero interest payment options are available. Please note that prices will increase incrementally through the spring. January 26th is the last day to purchase a *personalized* yearbook. Order yearbooks online at: jostensyearbook.com

Spring Athletics - Spring athletics are coming soon. Please review the following dates and reminders for girls softball, boys soccer, and boys / girls track. All students interested in trying out for spring athletics must be passing 3 of 4 classes for first semester of this school year with no more than 14 absences. All DragonFly forms must be completed and updated in DragonFly by February 16th, 2024. Please email Athletic Director, Coach Anderson, at pcanderson@wcpss.net with any questions regarding DragonFly or eligibility.

Boys Soccer

- Soccer Interest Meeting will take place on Monday, Jan 29, 2024
- Soccer Tryouts will begin on Feb 21, 2024
- *Reach out to Coach Chaplin with questions (ewchaplin@wcpss.net)

Boys / Girls Track

- Boys/Girls Track Interest Meeting will take place on Wednesday, February 7, 2024
- Track Tryouts will begin on Feb 21, 2024
- Reach out to Coach Papile or Coach McClellan with questions (jpapile@wcpss.net or imcclellan@wcpss.net)

Girls Softball

- Softball Interest Meeting will take place on Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024
- Softball Tryouts will begin on Feb 21, 2024
- Reach out to Coach Gravley with questions (sgravley@wcpss.net)

Eighth Grade Families - Check out this link for Open House information for many of our feeder high schools. [Rising 9th Grade Open House Information](#)

Eighth Grade Families - Ms. Blanton, eighth grade school counselor, and Ms. Traynor, eighth grade assistant principal are excited to partner with families as we support our eighth graders with high school registration. Over the next few months, we will share regular updates regarding opportunities and dates to be aware of.

Ms. Blanton will provide an overview of the high school registration process to our Oberlin eighth grade families. Families have **two options** for participating in this presentation.

On Tuesday, February 27th, eighth grade families can join us for an IN PERSON coffee chat at 8:30am in the Oberlin Media Center. Participating families can enter via the Media Center doors. **OR** On Monday, March 4th at 6:00pm, families can VIRTUALLY participate in this presentation via this google meet [link](https://meet.google.com/qgv-kkit-ucu):
<https://meet.google.com/qgv-kkit-ucu>.

Slides and meeting materials will be shared with families following the presentations in our Weekly Family Communication. Both presentations will be the same and will provide the same resources. Please reach out to Ms. Blanton with any questions (kblanton@wcpss.net.)

Eighth Grade Families - Please save the date of February 27th for Broughton High School's Curriculum Night for rising 9th Grade (current 8th grade) students and families. The event begins at 5:30 and more information can be found [here](#).

Team Newsletters

6th Grade - [Astros](#) [Rockets](#) [Voyagers](#)

7th Grade - [Dragons](#) [Embers](#) [Phoenix](#)

8th Grade - [Globetrotters](#) [Mountaineers](#) [Rangers](#)

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