

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families,

What a week we have had! On behalf of our staff and PTA, please accept our profound gratitude to all of our families who donated to our “Build the Blaze” fall fundraiser. Thanks to each donation, we collectively achieved our goal allowing the PTA budget to be fully funded as we continue a great school year! We are approaching the end of first quarter on October 31st . . . time is flying. Now is a great time to check in with your student to review PowerSchool to have goal setting conversations around grades and to make a plan for any missing assignments. Here’s to a great week ahead!

–Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of: October 16th - 20th

Monday, October 16th

- School Improvement Team Meeting, 3:30 Oberlin Media Center

Tuesday, October 17th

- Girls Soccer vs. Martin AT Oberlin, 4:00pm
- Girls Volleyball vs. Martin AT Oberlin, 4:00pm

Wednesday, October 18th

- Cheer and Football vs. Martin AT Broughton, 6:00pm, (Details Below)

Build the Blaze Fall Fundraiser - Mission accomplished -- super thanks to our families and community members for supporting the work of our Oberlin PTA!

Football Game vs. Rival Martin at Broughton - On **Wednesday, October 18th**, our Football & Cheerleading Teams will take on the Martin Mustangs at Broughton's Jack Spain Stadium. Kick-off is at 6pm with student arrival at 5:30. We are looking to “**bright out**” Martin under the lights, so wear your **NEON** and bring on the cheer! Tickets may be purchased with cash (\$6), through the GoFan app or using Oberlin Booster Club Passes. Let's show our school spirit and cheer our Oberlin athletic teams on to victory!

Fall Spirit Week

- Monday, 10/16 - Sports Day - Rep your favorite sports team by wearing team colors / apparel.
- Tuesday, 10/17 - Tacky Tuesday - The tackier the better!
- Wednesday, 10/18 - Neon Day - Go all out in **NEON** for school and the football game vs. Martin at Broughton!
- Thursday, 10/19 - “Stand Up, Speak Out” Against Bullying - Wear **ORANGE** and take a stand against bullying.
- Friday, 10/20 - “Pajama Day”- Let's be comfy on Friday!

Principal Coffee Chat / PTA General Membership Meeting -

Please join us for our Principal Coffee Chat on **Wednesday, October 18th** at 8:30am in the Oberlin Media Center. We are excited to share all the happenings for the 2023 - 2024 school year along with highlighting key components of “School Safety” with suggestions for how students and families can support school safety. Please RSVP using the following [link](#). Guests may enter via the auditorium / Media Center doors.

Eighth Graders - Interested in applying for an **Early College**? The WCPSS Early College Fair will take place **Saturday, October 14** from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Vernon Malone College and Career Academy. All interested 8th graders are encouraged to attend and to apply to any one of our seven early college high schools in the district. We prioritize these unique schools as an opportunity for first-generation

college students. Please see this digital flier in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) for more details about the fair and where to find more information. Additional information also found on the WCPSS Magnet Schools website [here](#).

Bullying Prevention - October is National Bullying Prevention Month.

Oberlin Magnet Middle School will encourage students to wear **ORANGE** on **Thursday, October 19th**, for “Unity Day” and to show solidarity against bullying. Students will also discuss various topics related to bullying and managing relationships, as part of Trailblazer Time during late October and/or early November. Parents seeking to learn more about bullying can view a resource guide for middle school parents at: <https://www.stopbullying.gov/prevention/middle-school>

PTA Reflections - Call for Entries! - Student entries are due **October 18th by 11:59 PM! Don't wait! Get started today!** Do you enjoy art, music, or dance? Do you have an interest in writing, producing films, or taking photos? Then, have fun unleashing your inner artist with PTA Reflections! This year’s theme, “I am Hopeful Because ...,” calls for your own unique interpretation through the arts.

- **Dance Choreography:**
 - A video of your dance that relates to this year’s theme
- **Film Production:**
 - This category is wide open for interpretation. Use social media or other platforms to create an original film.
- **Literature:**
 - Poems, stories, prose, essays, and personal narratives, etc. are welcome. If you can write it in words, you can create a piece of literature.
- **Music Composition:**
 - Original composition - instrumental or song. Your performance should be recorded either by audio or video.
- **Photography:**
 - Digital or film. Your artist story is a critical part of your entry.
- **Visual Arts:**

- Paint, sketch, draw, doodle, collage, decoupage, or create a mixed-media masterpiece! 2D requires one digital picture for the entry and 3D requires three (3) digital pictures of the entry.
- **Special Artist:** To qualify, students must have an IEP or 504. No additional information is needed. Create art in any of the above categories, but submit under Special Artist.

Ready to submit? The submission window is currently **OPEN**. All student entries will be submitted using the Form found at this link: [Oberlin Reflections Student Entry Form](#)

Interested in being a judge? Please complete this Google form: [Oberlin Reflections 2023 Judges Interest Form](#) We are looking for someone with expertise / interest in **visual arts**.

Questions? Email Settle Monroe (settle.monroe@gmail.com) or Cheryl Means (cherylmeans@yahoo.com)

Volunteering at Oberlin - We welcome and are beyond grateful for the parent and community volunteers who make extra special learning experiences possible and celebratory events more engaging for our students. Please, please, register to be a WCPSS Volunteer using this [link](#).

Team Newsletters

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

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

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

PTA Updates

Oberlin Booster Club - The Oberlin Booster Club focuses its funds to help to support Oberlin's athletic programs, technology, arts, student support, and staff development. During the 2022-2023 school year, the Oberlin Booster Club purchased a digital piano for chorus, dance costumes, maintained fields for softball, soccer and football, purchased band instruments and covered instrument maintenance, helmet calibration for football, Oberlin Logo athletic shirts/pullovers for coaches, support for after school clubs.

- **NEW** this year Booster Club passes must be purchased through GoFan. For detailed information about how to buy and transfer passes click [here](#).
- Join [NOW](#) to receive your 2023-2024 passes for ALL Home events!
- Questions? Elizabeth Smith elizsmith25@gmail.com or Meghann Adams meghannadams78@gmail.com

Join the Oberlin PTA - Click [here](#) to join our PTA! We have set a high goal for family and community member participation. Thank you for supporting our PTA.

PTA Spirit Wear - Click [here](#) to pre-order Oberlin t-shirt, sweatshirts, cups, and swag. Choose your favorite and show your school spirit. Order delivery anticipated during the first three weeks of school.

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.