

# Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families,

What a great time we had celebrating our students who earned all As or all As and Bs for second quarter. Super thanks to our **Oberlin PTA** and parent volunteers for sponsoring this celebration and serving tons of donuts! Also, congratulations are in order to Sam Means for earning an Honorable Mention for the PTA Reflections dance submission entitled "Equality." We are grateful to our Oberlin PTA Reflections committee for reviving this tradition at Oberlin.

--Ms. Pelton, Principal

## Week of: February 5th - 9th

### Monday, February 5th

- Basketball vs. Carnage AT Oberlin, 4:00pm

### Thursday, February 8th

- Oberlin Basketball AT East Garner, 4:00pm

**Oberlin's Trailblazers: First in the School Integration Fire** - On Thursday, February 15th, 2024 Oberlin Magnet Middle School, Oberlin PTA, and Friends of Oberlin Village will host an event entitled, "**Oberlin's Trailblazers: First in the School Integration Fire.**" The event will feature a community panel comprised of our original Trailblazers, the Daniels students from the 1960's who led the way to initiate school integration at Daniels Junior High School, and Mr. Joe Holt, our beloved Trailblazer who has worked tirelessly to bring light to the history of Oberlin Village and his family's experiences with school integration. Through these stories, we will seek to better understand our school's history and the past lessons that will positively impact our future. A virtual invite can be found [here](#).

This event is open to all members of our community, and we hope you will consider joining us by RSVPing at the following [link](#). We are seeking **Oberlin parent volunteers** to help with hospitality, refreshments, guest relations, and campus navigation. If you would be willing to volunteer at our event, please sign up [here](#). Thank you VERY MUCH for considering volunteering.

**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: for \$55. 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](http://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](mailto:pcanderson@wcpss.net) with any questions regarding DragonFly or eligibility.

### **Boys Soccer**

- Soccer Tryouts will begin on Feb 21, 2024

- \*Reach out to Coach Chaplin with questions ([ewchaplin@wcpss.net](mailto: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](mailto:jpapile@wcpss.net) or [imcclellan@wcpss.net](mailto: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](mailto:sgravley@wcpss.net) )

**Eighth Grade Families** - Check out this link for [High School Registration Timeline and Information \(2023-2024\)](#) (updated this week)

**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/qqv-kkit-ucu): <https://meet.google.com/qqv-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.)

## Team Newsletters

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

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

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

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