

# Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families,

We hope that everyone survived our inclement weather and found some time for fun during our interrupted school. Please note, due to missing school this week, we will delay interims until the week of March 3rd, however, parents always have access to grades in PowerSchool. Take note of our inclement weather make up days listed below so that you can plan family schedules accordingly. We look forward to having everyone back for a "normal" schedule next week.

-- Ms. Pelton, Principal

## Week of February 24th - 28th

### Monday, February 24th

- Spring Athletic Tryouts, Details Below

### Tuesday, February 25th

- Dance Interest Meeting with Ms. Hill for Current 7th Grade Students, (Rising 8th Grade) - 3:30, Dance Room, See below for details.
- Spring Athletic Tryouts, Details Below
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### Wednesday, February 26th

- Spring Athletic Tryouts, Details Below
- New Trailblazer Welcome Event, 5:30 - 8:00

### Thursday, February 27th

- Club Pictures (Rescheduled) During School Day
- Spring Athletic Tryouts, Details Below
- Band Concert, 7:00pm, Oberlin Auditorium

**Shout out to Brookscapes Landscaping** - Brookscapes landscaping donated an entire crew for eight hours of volunteer service at Oberlin. Their time and commitment to trimming and cutting back many overgrown bushes has not only improved the aesthetics of our campus, but our staff are reporting feeling more safe moving from the building to parking lots. We very much appreciate the generosity of [Brookscapes](#), and we hope that our Oberlin community will show them gratitude!

**New Trailblazer Welcome Event** - Students who will be “new to Oberlin” for the 2025-2026 should plan to join us in the Oberlin auditorium for a Welcome Event on February 26th. Experience student performances and interact with our staff and students as you explore club and elective offerings. There will be two identical sessions; please choose the session that works best for your family. Session 1: 5:45 to 6:30 PM; Session 2: 6:45 to 7:30 PM. Thanks for helping us spread the word to our incoming families! *Oberlin Today, the World Tomorrow!* [Oberlin Magnet Middle School Welcome Event](#)

### **Make Up Days for Inclement Weather**

- Friday, March 14th is now a school day for students (This date was formerly a teacher workday)
- Monday, April 7th is now a school day for students (This date was formerly a teacher workday)
- Friday, May 2nd is now a school day for students (This date was formerly a teacher workday)

**Seventh Grade Families** - Oberlin Magnet Middle School is proud to host a chapter of the **National Junior Honors Society**. Each year, students are invited to apply to Oberlin's National Junior Honors Society during second semester of their seventh grade year. Information on eligibility criteria, the timeline, and expectations for NJHS students during their eighth grade year can be found [here](#). Eligible students will receive an email to their WCPSS student email account the week of March 3rd. (Any student who feels that they meet the eligibility criteria, but does not receive an email should contact Ms. Hernandez ([mohernandez@wcpss.net](mailto:mohernandez@wcpss.net)) promptly so that the question can be resolved.) In the email that eligible students will receive the week of

March 3rd, there will be a link to the **Oberlin NJHS Candidate Application** that must be completed, no later than March 21st. It is the *student's responsibility* to complete the NJHS Candidate Application in its entirety, and to the best of their ability, by the **deadline of March 21st, 2025**. Please reach out to Ms. Hernandez with any questions.

### **Rising 7th Grade Registration Timeline** (Current 6th Grade Students) -

Students will be receiving registration information and elective choices for 7th grade classes the week of February 24th. Information will be shared in Science classes. Students should partner with parents/caregivers to finalize course selections. Students will enter their course selections into PowerSchool the weeks of March 10th and 17th in Science classes with the assistance of Ms. Blanton, school counselor. **Please do not have the students complete course selection in Power School on their own - we will complete that together in classes. Ms. Blanton reviews each student's course selections before the student submits.**

#### **Registration forms distribution/presentation for students:**

- Wednesday, February 26th - Powell/Rockets
- Thursday, February 27th - Colon/Astros
- Friday, February 28th - Kawasmi/Voyagers

#### **Registration in Power School; Ms. Blanton visits classrooms to support**

- Tuesday, March 11th - Powell/Rockets
- Thursday, March 13th - Colon/Astros
- Tuesday, March 18th - Kawasmi/Voyagers

### **Rising 8th Grade Registration Timeline** (Current 7th Graders)

- **Registration forms distributed to students**
  - Tuesday, February 25th - Keel/Phoenix
- **Registration in Power School; Blue registration forms due**
  - **Please do NOT register in Power School at home**
  - **This is done in school on the dates below**
  - Monday, March 10th - Williams/Dragons
  - Wednesday, March 12th - LaPat/Embers
  - Thursday, March 13th - Keel/Phoenix

**All students must have registration completed by Friday, March 28th**

**Dance II for Rising Eighth Graders** (Current Seventh Grade Students) - If your student is interested in auditioning for Dance II for the 2025 - 2026 school year, we are excited to invite them to an interest meeting after school on February 25th from 3:15 to 4:30 pm. During this meeting, we will discuss what to expect in Dance II, including expectations and skills. Students will also learn a short combination that they will perform for the audition. This will give the students a chance to practice before the official audition, which will take place on February 27th at 3:15 to 4:15 pm.

If there is a conflict with any of these dates feel free to reach out to Ms. Hill for an alternative option. Ms. Hill looks forward to seeing all of our aspiring dancers and can't wait to share the joy of dance with each student! Reach out to Ms. Hill with any questions (ghill6@wcpss.net.)

**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 pass 5 of 6 classes from the first semester of this school year with no more than 14 absences. All DragonFly forms must be completed and updated in DragonFly by **February 21st**. Please email Athletic Director, Coach Chaplin, at [ewchaplin@wcpss.net](mailto:ewchaplin@wcpss.net) with any questions regarding DragonFly or eligibility.

**Boys Soccer** - [Boys Soccer Interest Form 2025](#)

- Soccer Tryouts will begin on February 24th
- \*Reach out to Coach Kyle Franklin with questions (kfranklin3@wcpss.net )

**Boys / Girls Track** - Please fill out: [Track Interest Form](#)

- Track Tryouts will begin on Monday February 24
- Reach out to Coach Papile with questions (jpapile@wcpss.net.)

**Girls Softball** - [Softball Interest Form](#)

- Softball Tryouts will begin on Thursday February 27th.
- Reach out to Coach Gravley with questions (sgravley@wcpss.net )

Visit the [Oberlin Athletic Website](#) for Sport Specific Tryout information, Dates and Updates.

### **Eighth Grade High School Registration Updates (Rising 9th Graders) -**

Eighth grade families, we are entering the “busy season” for high school registration. This [link](#) will be updated weekly by Mr. Milner, eighth grade school counselor, and will contain all up to date information for all of our feeder high schools. Most recent updates will be at the top. At any time, please reach out to Mr. Milner with any student specific or school specific questions. ([smilner@wcpss.net](mailto:smilner@wcpss.net))

### **Eighth Grade High School Registration Parent Meetings (Rising 9th Graders) -**

Mr. Milner, 8th grade school counselor, will hold an **in person parent meeting** on **Tuesday, March 4th** from 8:30am - 9:30am in the Oberlin Media Center and a **virtual parent meeting** on the evening of **Tuesday, March 4th** from 6:00pm - 7:00pm. Both meetings will contain the same content and will provide an overview of the high school registration process for families. Please reach out to Mr. Milner with any questions. ([smilner@wcpss.net](mailto:smilner@wcpss.net))

### **Team Newsletters**

**Sixth Grade:** [Astros](#) [Rockets](#) [Voyagers](#)

**Seventh Grade:** [Dragons](#) [Embers](#) [Phoenix](#)

**Eighth Grade:** [Globetrotters](#) [Mountaineers](#) [Rangers](#)

### **PTA Updates**

**Join the PTA** [here](#)

**Purchase Booster Club Passes** - [here](#)

## PTA Linktree - [linktr.ee/OberlinPTA](https://linktr.ee/OberlinPTA)

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