

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Week of: August 30 - September 3

What a great first week of school! - Super thanks to our students, families, and staff for a great first week of school! It is great to have everyone back and settling into a new school year!

Tryouts for Fall Sports start on Monday, August, 30th from 3:15 - 5:00pm:

- Any Oberlin 7th or 8th grade student who is interested in trying out for Football, Cheer, Girls Soccer, or Girls Volleyball must [Register Online](#) or complete an [Athletic Participation Packet](#) to participate.
- Every student is required to have an updated sports physical that was administered in the past 395 days. Students without updated physicals will not be allowed to try out.
- Student-athletes will stay after school and meet in the gym at 3:15 and pickup will be at 5PM in carpool. **No activity bus will run** for after school drop offs, students must have a ride home.
- Please visit the [Oberlin Athletic Website](#) for additional information or email Coach Vidalis (svidalis@wcpss.net) if you have any questions.
- [How to Participate in Athletics at Oberlin Middle](#)

PowerSchool Parent Portal Account - Thanks to everyone who has submitted a Parent Portal Account form. We are in the process of creating more than 600 accounts, and we thank you for your patience. You will receive an email within two weeks, to the email address listed on your form, with directions for log in and password. If you have not completed a form, more information can be found [here](#). *Please note, those with active Parent Portal accounts will likely be able to view their child's schedule, but the grades and attendance information will begin appearing in coming days.*

The Oberlin Food Backpack Program is a free service to help families struggling with food shortages. Each Friday at dismissal, a bag full of nutritious food will be sent home with every student enrolled in the program. There will be enough free food in each bag to last the weekend for your child.

If you are interested in participating in the program please contact Jay Kyte, school social worker. Mr. Kyte can be reached by phone, text or email. All responses will be kept strictly confidential. jkyte@wcpss.net / 919-473-3603

Carpool - [We made great progress](#) as our week progressed. Thank you for adhering to the following!

- **Pull all the way forward**
- **Prepare to exit / Exit when parallel to the sidewalk or when prompted by staff from the passenger side.**
- **Right In and Right Out** - For morning and afternoon arrival / dismissal, all cars must approach Oberlin from the direction of Fairview Road and **turn right into our carpool loop. When exiting campus, cars MUST turn right** in the direction of Glenwood Avenue.
- **Respect the directions from school staff directing traffic.**

Walkers

- Students walking to and from school should cross at crosswalks and obey directions of crossing guards and school staff.
- Students who are walkers should NOT be walking to a parked car. Students walking to a parked car should be utilizing carpool.
- No Parking Zones - Raleigh Police Department will be present to enforce “no parking zones” around our campus. Additionally, Raleigh Police Department is supporting Glenwood Village Shopping Center to ensure that this parking lot is not used as a pick up point for Oberlin students.

School Bus Transportation - Please remember to arrive 15 minutes early to your stop each day. Work with your child to learn the “Route Number” for each bus and to not pay attention to the number on the side of the yellow bus or the driver, as yellow

school buses and drivers are likely to change, due to school bus driver shortages. We thank you in advance for practicing patience for the first weeks of school as transportation schedules settle into place.

Early Check Out from School - If your student needs to be checked out early from school, please note the following.

- Send a signed note with your child indicating the time for pick up. Have your child stop by the main office in the morning to receive a pass to leave class at the assigned time. Your child can then leave class and wait in the office for pick up. If the child is not picked up 15 minutes after the time indicated on the note, the child will be returned to class with respect to supervision and to participate in learning.
- Only parents / guardians or emergency contacts can pick up students. Those picking up students must have photo identification ready for review.
- We do not allow student pick up after 2:30 each day as we are shifting into dismissal procedures. After 2:30, families must participate in daily dismissal procedures.

PTA Updates

Register to Receive PTA Communication - Use this [link](https://oberlin.memberhub.com/join/4cd0b5) to register to receive PTA communications. We encourage all families to take advantage of joining the PTA and staying abreast of all PTA happenings! (Link URL: <https://oberlin.memberhub.com/join/4cd0b5>)

Back to School Updates

Face Masks - All students and staff will wear face coverings while indoors at school. The requirement also applies to school buses and vendor transportation. *Correctly wearing face masks may prevent a student from having to quarantine if in contact with a student who is presumed positive for COVID.* Please stress the importance of correctly

wearing face coverings with your student so that we can ensure safety and maintain students' in person participation at school.

Water Bottles - Water fountains will continue to be closed to help prevent the spread of COVID. Please send your student to school each day with a water bottle. We do provide students without a water bottle with a plastic cup. Providing these cups is expensive, and we would be grateful for any donations. [Link](#) to example of cups that can be shipped directly to Oberlin.

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