

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families, We are grateful to our families for supporting students as they are initiating academic routines in the new year. Students checking in with teachers regarding grades and assignments is notable this year, and we thank our families for supporting this advocacy at home. Afternoon athletic games will be starting soon, and these are great opportunities for building community. Take a look at details below so your student can successfully enjoy athletics.

– Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of: September 18 - 22

Curriculum Nights - On Tuesday, September 19th and Thursday, September 21st, we will hold Curriculum Nights from 6:00 - 7:30 to welcome families into classrooms, allow connections with staff, and ensure that our families have useful information to support their students with a successful year. More information can be found [here](#). Due to limited space, **Curriculum Nights are designed for parents** and students are not expected to attend.

- **6th and 7th Grades will have Curriculum Night on Tuesday, September 19th**
- **8th Grade will have Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 21st.**

The schedule for both evenings will be as follows:

- 6:00 - 6:30 (Optional / Informal) Drop In Classroom Visits
- 6:30 - 6:45 - Transition to Grade Level Meeting Spots
 - Sixth Grade - 9.19.23 - Auditorium
 - Seventh Grade - 9.19.23 - Gym
 - Eighth Grade - 9.21.23 - Auditorium
- 6:45 - 7:30 - Grade Level Presentations by Teachers (in Grade Level Meeting Spots)

Please bring a picture / screenshot of your student's schedule from Powerschool so you know your student's teachers and room numbers. Limited staff will be available to look up students' classes, and you can save valuable time bringing this with you.

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](#).

Athletics - Our fall athletic season is underway, and games begin the week of September 25th. Athletic events are listed on our main school website calendar and in this communication each week. All athletic games begin at 4:00. Students attending should remain in their last period class, and they will be dismissed by announcement to the stadium / gym. The cost of athletic events is \$6.00. Students may: bring cash and pay at the gate, use an Oberlin Booster Club pass purchased in advance (show pass from phone or name will be on list,) or purchase digital game tickets in advance through GoFan. All students are expected to uphold all school behavioral expectations, and the following highlights of being a respectful spectator will be shared with students ([link](#).) We invite all students, parents, and community members to join us to show Trailblazer spirit and strong sportsmanship for our athletic events.

Student Early Checkout from School - Planning to check your child out early from school early -- we have an easy, efficient system for that. Send your child to school with a signed note indicating what time they will be picked up. Your child will turn this note in to the receptionist in the Main Office during arrival, and receive a pass that allows them to leave their class at the designated time. At the designated time, your child can leave class and report to the office for pick up. Your child may wait up to 15 minutes in the office, but after this, they will be sent back to class. Upon arrival, the parent / guardian will need to show identification and check the child out via the check out system. Please use this system as it prevents us from calling and interrupting classes and making you wait while we locate your child.

Club Opportunities

Model UN - Model United Nations is open to all grades and meets on Thursdays this year after school from 3:30 to 4:30. In Model UN, students learn how the United Nations works, embrace perspectives from different places in the world, and practice global problem solving. The club culminates with a statewide conference in the spring at Appalachian State University, where

students represent a country and attempt write and pass mock resolutions. Interested students should reach out to Mr. Wheat (swheat@wcpss.net) or Ms. Katz (mmkatz@wcpss.net) for more information. An interest meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14th in Mr. Wheat's room.

Crochet Club - Whether you know how to crochet already or are just interested in trying something new, all are welcome! We will learn basic stitches at first, and then will work on a service learning project in the spring! The club will meet Tuesdays from 3:00- 4:00 in room 1316, Ms. Powell's room. Plan to bring a skein of yarn and a crochet hook, size 5.5mm. More information [here](#). First meeting on September 19th.

Global Ambassadors - Are you a 7th or 8th grader ready to take action? Looking for global leadership opportunities? Eager to share what makes Oberlin Magnet Middle School an amazing community? You have come to the right place! Interested students: complete the Global Ambassador application [here](#). If you have any questions, please email Ms. Chris Hahner (chahner@wcpss.net) Student ambassadors will represent Oberlin at a variety of school events. Think tours, greeting guest speakers, magnet fairs, 6th grade welcome event, etc. Students will also be involved in finding creative ways to strengthen our entire global community! This *may* include service opportunities, providing student input/feedback, and planning community events. Google Form applications will be accepted until 9 PM on Wednesday, September 27th.

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.