

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families, Fall is here, and we hope our families are enjoying cooler weather. It was great to have so many families with us for our **athletic games** this past week. Athletics allows us great opportunities for building community and coming together in support of our school. Please note that we have already arrived at the midpoint of first quarter, and more information about **interims** is included below. We have **fall pictures** on Tuesday, so make sure your student is ready with a great smile. Here's to a great week ahead.

-- Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of: October 2nd - 6th

Tuesday, October 2nd - **Fall Picture Day** - Details below!

Wednesday, October 4th

- Girls Soccer at Ligon, 4:00pm
- Girls Volleyball at Ligon, 4:00pm

Thursday, October 5th

- Football at Ligon, 4:00pm

Monday, October 9th - **No School**, Teacher Workday

Fall Pictures - We will be having fall pictures on Tuesday, October 3rd! Each student will visit the picture session during an assigned class time for an individual picture. These pictures will be used in the yearbook, so please encourage your student to participate. If you wish to order pictures, please find purchasing information on the digital flier: <https://bit.ly/3LCM4Ka> We look forward to seeing everyone's smiles on Tuesday!

Interim Reports - We have arrived at the midpoint of first quarter, and an interim report will be coming home with students on Monday, October 2nd. Please note, families can always access grades via PowerSchool Parent Portal or by logging into Powerschool with your child and reviewing grades and any missing assignments, together. Please reach out to your child's teachers with any questions. We appreciate our families being strong partners and advocates in their students' school experience.

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 - Interested in submitting your original artwork to the Oberlin Reflections Program? Follow the link for each category below to find the specific rules and guidelines. **Oberlin Student Entries are due by October 18, 11:59 PM** and require parent email / permission. Don't wait! Get started today!

- Dance Choreography:
 - 5 minutes or less;
 - 1000 MB (or less) and
 - MP4, MOV or AVI format
 - [Dance Choreography.docx](#)
- Film Production:
 - 5 minutes or less;
 - 1000 MB (or less) and
 - MP4, MOV or AVI format
 - [Film Production.docx](#)
- Literature:
 - 2,000 words or less, handwritten or typed; PDF file;
 - Include student name, entry title, arts category and division on back of entry.
 - number each page; 8.5 x 11 paper (one sided only)
 - [Literature.docx](#)

- Music Composition:
 - 5 minutes or less;
 - 1000 MB or less; MP3 and WAV format;
 - PDF format for notation/score/tablature (only required for middle or hs)
 - [Music Composition.docx](#)
- Photography:
 - 3x5 - 8 x 10 inches; (cannot exceed 11x14 when mounted); frames not allowed
 - at least 640 x 960 pixels and 300 DPI resolution;
 - JPEG, JPG, and PNG accepted.
 - [Photography.docx](#)
- Visual Arts:
 - 2D no larger than 24" x 30" - create digital image of piece;
 - 3D must have 3 images - JPEG, JPG, or PNG;
 - Include list of materials used
 - Framed artwork containing loose materials is not accepted. Matting is accepted.
 - [Visual Arts.docx](#)
- Special Artist: Follow the above guidelines depending on submission type. See Official Rules for details on who qualifies for this category. [Reflections Oberlin 2023 Official Rules](#)

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

Interested in being a judge? Please complete this Google form: [Oberlin Reflections 2023 Judges Interest Form](#) Questions? Email Settle Monroe (settle.monroe@gmail.com) or Cheryl Means (cherylmeans@yahoo.com)

Behavior Intervention Monitoring Assessment System (BIMAS) - In our continuing efforts to support the well-being of all our students, Oberlin will be administering a universal screener of social, emotional & behavioral health. Our district is using the Behavior Intervention Monitoring Assessment System-2 (BIMAS-2) research-based screening tool. We believe this will help all of our students thrive academically by identifying students who may benefit from additional social and emotional supports and interventions, much like some students benefit from additional academic supports and interventions. More information can be found at this [Link](#).

Curriculum Night Resources

- Sixth Grade Curriculum Night Presentation- [Link](#)
- Seventh Grade Curriculum Night Presentation - [Link](#)
- Eighth Grade Curriculum Night Presentation - [Link](#)

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](#).

Club Opportunities

Trailblazers, Advocates, Leaders - Do you like sharing your ideas? Do you want your voice to have an impact on our school community? Consider applying for Trailblazer Advocates and Leaders. TAL is a *NEW* leadership group open to all grades, talking about ways students can be more interactive with school events such as spirit and SDG days, a recycling program as well as community service and other activities. Participation will be based on a short student application available [here](#). Be on the lookout for posters with more information!

Battle of the Books - If you love to read and compete with others, then please join our Battle of the Book Interest Meeting on Tuesday, October 3rd, from 3:00 - 3:45. See Ms. Wasko for a parent / guardian acknowledgement form prior to the interest meeting. Students must be picked up by 3:45 in the front bus loop. We hope to see lots of avid readers for our meeting next week. Email Ms. Wasko with questions (ewasko@wcpss.net.)

Dungeons and Dragons Club - This is a club for students of all grades to explore the sensational fantasy tabletop game that has taken the world by storm! Students can create an original character with the help of other experienced players and explore student-created worlds in fantasy adventures with other like-minded individuals! Students interested should get a permission slip from Ms. Sedita in room 703 (the World Language "Lounge") and have that slip signed by a guardian before attending their first meeting. We meet every Thursday right after school in room 703. Students should

arrange to be picked up no later than 4:15 on club days. We will dismiss from Carpool, near the stadium. Email Ms. Sedita ksedita@wcpss.net with any questions!

Anime Club - Do you love anime and manga? Join us on the first Tuesday of the month to talk about My Hero Academia, Naruto, One Piece, or other examples! Our first meeting will be Tuesday, October 3rd, in Ms. Smith's room, room 1303, from 3-4. You need to be picked up at 4:00 at the front bus loop, or risk not being able to attend future meetings. Hope to see you there!

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.wcps.net/oberlinms>). Follow us on **Social Media**: **@oberlinmiddle** on Twitter, **OberlinMiddle** on Instagram, and **oberlinmagnetmiddleschool** on Facebook.