# **Oberlin Magnet Middle School**

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Week of: February 21 - 25

## **Upcoming Events**

- Monday, February 21st Holiday, No School
- Monday, February 28th School Improvement Team Meeting, 3:30, Media Center



Congratulations to **Ms. Hannah Powell**, sixth grade science teacher, on being named a Semi-Finalist for the WCPSS Teacher of the Year award! This is incredibly well deserved, and we are excited to celebrate Ms. Powell!

**Congratulations to the Science Olympiad Team**, students and coaches, for placing 6th overall in the Regional Tournament. Kudos to Crimebusters, Rocks and Minerals, and Storm the Castle for first place finishes. We are proud of Road Scholar for earning 2nd place, Ornithology for earning 4th place, Meteorology and Picture This for earning 5th place, and Crave the Wave, Electric Wright Stuff, and Mousetrap Vehicle for 6th place finishes. The collective team effort will allow the Science Olympiad team to compete in the State Tournament in Raleigh. Gratitude to Mr. Kowaleski, Ms. Hahner, Ms. Thornton, Ms. Powell, Mr. Wentz, Mr. and Ms. Morris, Ms. Rucker, and Ms. McKoy for coaching and encouraging these students.

**Oberlin Welcome Event for Rising Sixth Graders** for the **22 - 23 School Year** - Oberlin is excited to welcome our incoming sixth graders on Thursday, March 3rd for an in person event. Each rising sixth grader is invited to attend with one adult to learn about sixth grade and get excited for all that is instore for the 2022 - 2023 school year. RSVP and find more info here: <u>https://bit.ly/OberlinWelcome</u> (Please help us to advertise this opportunity to families with rising sixth graders (current fifth graders) eligible to attend Oberlin next year.

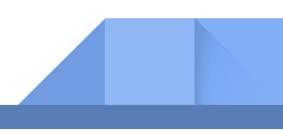
## How to Participate in Spring Sports at Oberlin Spring Sports are Boys Soccer, Girls Softball, and Boys & Girls Track

**REGISTRATION:** Please click this <u>Registration Link</u> to sign up to participate in athletics. All registration is done online through the dragonfly program (<u>how to use</u> <u>dragonfly</u>). All athletes are required to have an updated athletic physical that was completed in the past 395 days. All information about athletics can be found on the <u>Oberlin Athletic Website</u>. Anyone who is not registered will not be allowed to tryout. Registration must be completed by Feb. 17th. Only 7th and 8th grade students can participate in athletics.

#### **Tryout Dates and Times**

• **February 22** - The first day of Tryouts for Boys Soccer, Girls Softball, and Boys & Girls Track. Tryouts will last 2-3 days, and students must attend all days of tryouts. Tryouts will start at 3PM and end at 5PM. All students must have a ride in carpool at 5PM.

**Interim Reports for Third Quarter** will be coming home on Friday, February 25th. Please ask your student for the interim. Please remember, all grades can always be reviewed in Powerschool through a Parent Portal Account or by logging in and reviewing with your child.



**Eighth Grade Families -- Registering for High School -** All information from Mr. Milner's virtual and in person presentations can be found <u>here</u>. If you have any questions about the transition to high school or high school registration, please contact eighth grade school counselor, Mr. Britt Milner at <u>smilner@wcpss.net</u>.

**Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Graders Attending Broughton**: Broughton will host a virtual rising 9<sup>th</sup> grade planning night on Wednesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. Please see the Broughton website <u>here</u> for more information, including the link to join. Go, CAPS!

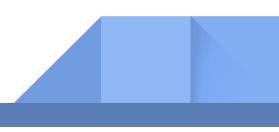
**Rising 9th Graders Attending Enloe** - Join on February 23rd at 6:00 pm. More info <u>here</u>.

**Rising 9th Graders Attending Southeast Raleigh Magnet High School** -Join on Tuesday, March 1st at 6:00 pm. More Info <u>here</u>.

**Team Newsletters** - Click <u>here</u> to review each team's newsletter as we start off strong in 2022! (<u>https://www.wcpss.net/domain/19203</u>)

## **PTA Updates**

**Register to receive PTA Communications -** Use this <u>link</u> 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)



### Health and Safety Guidelines

**Lunch** - In accordance with guidance from WCPSS, the majority of classes eat outside for lunch, weather permitting. (Please note, we follow an inclimate weather plan for extreme heat, extreme cold, and /or precipitation where students eat inside, with spacing to the extent possible.) Only two classes per lunch block remain in the cafeteria, and these students are seated with spacing to the extent possible, facing the same direction, and masks are only removed while students are actively eating or drinking.

#### Face Masks - Updates to face mask guidance is expected soon.

Please continue to monitor WCPSS Communications for updates. Until the shift happens, all students and staff will continue to 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. <u>Link</u> to example of cups that can be shipped directly to Oberlin.

A copy of all Weekly Family Communications can be found on our <u>website</u> (<u>https://www.wcpss.net/oberlinms</u>). Follow us on **Social Media**: **@oberlinmiddle** on Twitter, **OberlinMiddle** on Instagram, and **oberlinmagnetmiddleschool** on Facebook.

