

# Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families, We would like to extend a **sincere thank you to all of our families for your incredible support** and patience as we navigated the recent schedule interruptions caused by inclement weather and the water main break. As we look forward to putting winter behind us and welcoming the arrival of spring, we are thrilled to share some wonderful news: Oberlin has officially earned the distinction of being named a **Magnet School of Excellence** by Magnet Schools of America. This prestigious honor is a testament to the hard work of our entire community and would not have been possible without the collaborative commitment of our parents, PTA, staff, students, and community partners. We invite you to join us in celebrating this achievement, as we are truly grateful for the partnership that makes globally relevant learning a reality for our students. Here's to a productive and "normal" week ahead as we continue to settle into the third quarter!

—Ms. Pelton, Principal

## Week of January 9th - 13th

### Tuesday, February 10th

- Oberlin Basketball vs Carnage AT Oberlin, 4:00pm

### Wednesday, February 11th

- Oberlin Basketball vs Martin AT Broughton, (Girls - 5:30pm, Boys - 7:30pm)

### Thursday, February 12th

- Oberlin Band Concert (Rescheduled Date,) 7:00pm Oberlin Auditorium

**NJHS Gratitude Grams - Let's Celebrate Oberlin Staff** - NJHS students are organizing a "pay what you can" service project to support [Place at the Table](#). Send a "Gratitude-Gram" to Oberlin staff members using this link. The suggested donation is \$5 for a few Gratitude Grams, and can be paid via Venmo (@Leslie-McKay-10,) however, following the inclusive model, you can pay a lesser amount, pay a larger donation, or

commit to an act of kindness in our community during February. Using this link - please send a Gratitude-Gram to Oberlin staff Members! <https://bit.ly/NJHSOberlin>

**Global Getaway** - Oberlin's Spring fundraising event, Global Gateway, is back! It will be held after school on April 30th. The Global Gateway committee is looking for help with various parts of the event. If you are interested in helping, please email Sarah Zambon at [sgzambon@gmail.com](mailto:sgzambon@gmail.com) or Mari Porter at [mari.porter@duke.edu](mailto:mari.porter@duke.edu).

**Protecting Our Students** - As part of our commitment to student safety and well-being, all Wake County Public School System middle and high schools are required to show the *Protecting Our Students* videos to students in grades 6 through 12 during the school year. A state law passed in 2023 requires that all public school students in grades 6-12 view these videos. Oberlin will show the video on Wednesday, February 18th. More information can be found [here](#).

**Oberlin Spring Family Engagement Event** - Middle school is a journey, and we want to navigate it together. Please mark your calendars for **Tuesday, March 10th, from 5:00 PM – 6:35 PM**, for our Family Engagement Event. We will be hosting sessions led by our own staff and are designed specifically around the feedback you've shared with us this year. Sessions will be offered in English and Spanish. We can't wait to partner with you in supporting your student's success!

**Spring Athletics** - Tryouts for Spring Athletics (Boys Soccer, Girls Softball, and Track) begin on Monday, February 23. Please be sure that your student athlete has ALL forms completed in DragonFlyMax.com. ALL forms will need to be completed prior to students being approved to participate in tryouts and should be completed prior to Friday, February 20th. The only two forms that need to be completed by a doctor, and uploaded are the Medical Eligibility form and Physical. Forms submitted after this time may result in student athletes missing tryout days or being unable to participate. Please note that for students to participate in tryouts AND athletics, students need to have passed 5 of 6 classes for 1st semester this year AND have 14 or fewer total absences. Spring Tryout Information is [Linked Here](#) Email Athletic Director, Eric Chaplin, with any questions ([ewchaplin@wcpss.net](mailto:ewchaplin@wcpss.net))

**Oberlin Chorus at Carolina Hurricanes** - Oberlin families, come support our Oberlin Chorus as we have been chosen to sing The Star-Spangled Banner at the Carolina Hurricanes game on February 26, 2026. We must sell 100-150 tickets using the Oberlin Chorus link for us to have this opportunity. Please purchase tickets to support our chorus and have fun cheering on the Canes!

<http://www.canesgroups.com/OberlinMagnet>

**PTA Basketball Concessions** - Basketball Season is in full swing! We are excited to start 2026 with more of our beloved Oberlin basketball games! We will continue to have concessions open for all home girls and boys games. Two ways to support and/or volunteer found below. Thank you for supporting our school! We appreciate everything you do for our students and programs!

- If you'd like to help us restock the concession stand, please [sign up here](#).
- If you would like to volunteer in the concession stand, please [sign up here](#) if you are a WCPSS Approved Volunteer.

## Bi-Weekly Team Newsletters

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

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

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

## PTA Updates

**Join the PTA** - Thank you to all of our parents, faculty, and staff who have already joined the PTA. For those of you who have not yet joined, click [here](#) and select the option that works for your family. Email Tracy Lathan ([tracy.lathan@gmail.com](mailto:tracy.lathan@gmail.com)) with membership questions.

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, [oberlinmagnetmiddleschool](#) on Facebook, Oberlin PTA: [linktr.ee/OberlinPTA](http://linktr.ee/OberlinPTA).