# **Oberlin Magnet Middle School**

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#### Greetings Oberlin Families,

In a season celebrating gratitude and giving thanks, please know that we are grateful to partner with such a supportive community. This past week, thanks to the generous support of our Oberlin PTA Cultural Arts Committee and United Arts, we welcomed Alex Weiss to Ms. Yosai's band classes to share about African drums and percussion. Students were able to learn from and perform in conjunction with this artist in residence -- thanks to everyone who made this learning experience possible. To all those who are celebrating Thanksgiving, we wish you a peaceful holiday, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back for a strong December -- Ms. Pelton, Principal

## Week of November 25th - 29th

#### November 27th - November 29th - No School, Thanksgiving Holiday

**Support for Oberlin Families -** Please consider helping Oberlin families this holiday season. Funds collected will be used to purchase grocery cards for Oberlin families. Also, stay tuned for information on Oberlin's holiday giving tree after Thanksgiving. Please contact Ashley Silverman (919-5930-2108) or Kacey Ragsdale (919-539-7048) with questions about donating. If you wish to receive a grocery card, please contact school social worker, Jay Kyte (jkyte@wcpss.net).

**Basketball Oberlin Booster Club Passes** - Basketball season begins soon! If you have not done so yet, be sure to purchase your Oberlin Booster Club pass before the first home game.\* Link to buy: <u>https://gofan.co/app/school/NC87586\_1</u>

**NJHS Food Drive -** From **November 20th - December 6th**, our school is collecting donations for our annual Food Insecurity Food Drive. Here at Oberlin, we recognize that food insecurity is different than just hunger, it is the struggle of not having a constant, reliable source of food, and it affects many of our students as well. Because of this, our NJHS students have organized this food drive to collect donations that will be transported to the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina who will further distribute them to those in need.

School drop-off locations

- Cafeteria
- End of the Globetrotters hallway
- Embers hallway
- Common area by sixth-grade hallway
- Outside the Main Office

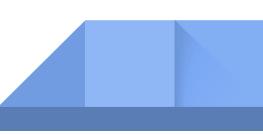
#### Collecting

- 6th Grade
  - Canned / Pouches of Protein (Chicken, Tuna, etc.)
  - Boxed Cereal
- 7th Grade
  - Canned / Pouches Fruits / Vegetables
  - Boxed Pasta and Rice
- 8th Grade
  - Canned / Bagged Beans
  - Peanut Butter

## **PTA General Membership Meeting and Principal Chat**

On **Tuesday, December 3rd,** we will hold our next PTA General Membership meeting and Principal Chat in the Oberlin Media Center. The PTA General Membership meeting will run from 8:30 am until 9:00 am. Following our PTA General Membership meeting, please plan to join Principal Pelton for a "Principal Chat" on the topic of "Supporting Students with Managing Stress." The "Principal Chat" will run from 9:00 am until 9:30 am. While we hope you will join us in person, a virtual meeting link can be found <u>here</u> for those who prefer to participate virtually. All guests should plan to enter via the exterior Media Center / Auditorium doors. We hope you will join us for our PTA General Membership meeting and stay for the Principal Chat!

Say Something Anonymous Reporting Systems is a research-based violence prevention program offered by Sandy Hook Promise, a national nonprofit organization. It teaches the warning signs of potential violence or self-harm and provides students and staff with secure ways to share safety concerns through a mobile app, website, or phone call. More than 5,000 schools nationwide are using this program. WCPSS is launching the <u>Say Something</u> Anonymous Reporting System. It is an additional option to our existing WCPSS tip line at (919) 856-1911 for anonymously reporting threats and concerns. WCPSS is rolling Say



Something out across our district, and we will be training our students on when and how to use it during the week of December 2nd. More information about this can be found <u>here</u>.

**Oberlin Scholastic Book Fair** - Our book fair is right around the corner, and our Oberlin PTA is seeking approved WCPSS parent volunteers to help with set up and running the book fair throughout the week. Volunteer slots for set up, working during the book fair, and packing up are available from November 26th - December 6th. Sign up <u>here</u>, and thanks for supporting our Book Fair!

**Lifetouch Photos** - Photos by Lifetouch are available and there's still time to view and purchase them! Simply click on the following link and follow the steps from our school's landing page. Link to photos: <u>https://my.photoday.com/s/LTBW/41729</u>

**Marbles Teen Play Corp** - Learn more about Marbles Teen Play Corp, which is open to students in 7th though 10th grades. Applications are open from December 2nd, 2024 to January 31st, 2025. For more information: <u>Marbles Teen Play Corps</u> (marbleskidsmuseum.org)

#### **Team Newsletters**

Sixth Grade: <u>Astros</u> <u>Rockets</u> <u>Voyagers</u> Seventh Grade: <u>Dragons</u> <u>Embers</u> <u>Phoenix</u> Eighth Grade: <u>Globetrotters</u> <u>Mountaineers</u> <u>Rangers</u>

## **PTA Updates**

Join the PTA here Purchase Booster Club Passes - here

### PTA Linktree - linktr.ee/OberlinPTA

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, **oberlinmagnetmiddleschool** on Facebook, Oberlin PTA: <u>linktr.ee/OberlinPTA</u>.

