

Oberlin Magnet Middle School

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Greetings Oberlin Families, We had a fantastic week, and the momentum is building as we quickly approach the midpoint of fourth quarter. With the end of the school year looming, now is an ideal time to review Infinite Campus with your student and reach out to teachers with any questions regarding grades or missing assignments. Looking ahead, next week promises to be truly epic; all of our sports teams will be in action, and every day features a unique **spirit week theme**. Our week concludes on Thursday with the **Global Getaway** and the highly anticipated Oberlin Staff vs. Alumni basketball game. You know you won't want to miss seeing **these amazing staff members in action**: Britt Milner, Mr. Dixon, Mr. Upton, Mr. Eyre, Mr. Winkle, Mr. Stephens, Ms. Foster, and Ms. Jackson. This incredibly busy week then wraps up with a teacher workday on Friday, May 1st. We look forward to having lots of fun with all our Oberlin families!

--Ms. Pelton, Principal

Week of April 27th - May 1st

Monday, April 27th

- Oberlin Softball AT Dillard Drive, 4:00pm

Tuesday, April 28th

- Boys Soccer vs North Garner AT Oberlin
- Drama Club Spring Showcase, 6:00pm Media Center

Wednesday, April 29th

- Oberlin Track vs East Garner AT Martin, 4:00pm
- Theater Performance: Folktales from Around the World, 6:00pm Auditorium

Thursday, April 20th

- Oberlin Softball vs North Garner AT Oberlin, 4:00pm
- Global Getaway and Staff vs. Alumni Basketball Game (Details Below)

Friday, May 1st - Teacher Workday - No School for Students

Oberlin Spring Book Fair - Oberlin will host a Scholastic Book Fair in the Media Center, Monday April 27th thru Thursday April 30th. The book fair will be open from 8:30 AM-3:00 PM. We accept cash, credit cards, checks (made out to Oberlin PTA), Apple Pay, or you can set up an eWallet with Scholastic. For more information about the fair and setting up an eWallet, please visit our Book Fair Homepage:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/oberlinmiddleschool>

Thank you for supporting our Media Center and helping us purchase new books! If you are an approved WCPSS Volunteer and would like to volunteer at the Book Fair, please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D4DABA62CA57-63228111-oberlin>

Oberlin Spirit Week - Join in and have some fun as we celebrate school spirit!

- Monday: Twin It to Win It
- Tuesday: Student-Teacher Swap
- Wednesday: Travel Day
- Thursday: Typical Tourist

Global Getaway - What is Global Getaway? It's *Oberlin's Spring Carnival* for students with an international flair. There will be inflatables, games, photobooth, temporary tattoos, food, silent disco and alumni vs. staff basketball game.

When and where is it? - It's *Thursday April 30 from 5:30 to 7:30* at Oberlin in the football field, gym, cafeteria and dance room. From 7:30 to 8:30, there is an alumni vs. staff basketball game in the gym.

What's the deal with wristbands and tickets? - Students need a wristband to attend the event. The wristband allows them to do all the activities- photobooth, silent disco, inflatables, and temporary tattoos.

- Pre-Sale Wristbands (until April 27) are \$10 and can be purchased [HERE](#).
- Wristbands at the door at the event can be purchased for \$15

You can buy tickets for food for \$1 each that can be purchased ahead of time or at the event.

You can buy raffle tickets for gift baskets for \$1 ahead of time or at the event.

There's a basketball game? Yes! We are bringing back a tradition to have an alumni basketball game where Oberlin/Daniels alumni will play against Oberlin staff. The game is in the gym at 7:30. Admission to the game is included in wristbands, tickets just for the game can be purchased for \$10 pre-sale [HERE](#) or \$15 at the door.

Is there food? Food tickets can be used to buy pizza, crepes, fried rice, and madeleines at the event. The concession stand will be open and Kona Ice will also be available.

Do kids need money at the event? You can buy wristbands and food and raffle tickets now [HERE](#) or at the door with cash or credit cards. Both the concession stand and Kona Ice will take cash and credit cards.

Who can come to this? The carnival is mainly for Oberlin students. There will be a community area for parents to meet new people and be near the fun. Everyone is welcome to the basketball game with a ticket or wristband.

Do you need volunteers? YES!!! We still need lots of help with set up, clean up and with games and activities at the event. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up [HERE!](#)

I still have questions...Please email Sarah Zambon at sgzambon@gmail.com or Mari Porter at mari.porter@duke.edu if you have more questions!!

Annual Family Panorama Survey - Our annual Panorama Family Survey is underway, and will remain open through May 15th. This survey is designed to help our school better serve our families. By sharing your perspective, you provide us with invaluable data that helps us improve our programs, communication, and school culture. We truly value your feedback and use it to shape the future of our school.

Help us make your child's school experience as positive and beneficial as possible by giving honest, thoughtful responses to the questions in our family survey from April 6 - May 15.

<https://bit.ly/FamilySurveyWCPSS> - Thank you for your continued partnership and for taking a few minutes out of your busy schedule to help us improve.

Seventh Grade Families - Oberlin Magnet Middle School is proud to host a chapter of the **National Junior Honors Society**. Each year, students are invited to apply to Oberlin's National Junior Honors Society during the second semester of their seventh grade year. Information on eligibility criteria, the timeline, and expectations for NJHS students during their eighth grade year can be found [here](#). Eligible students will receive an email to their WCPSS student email account the week of April 20th. (Any student who feels that they meet the eligibility criteria, but does not receive an email should contact Ms. Poplin (jpoplin@wcpss.net) promptly so that the question can be resolved.) In the email that eligible students will receive, there will be a link to the **Oberlin NJHS Candidate Application**. It is the *student's responsibility* to complete the NJHS Candidate Application in its entirety by the **deadline of May 1st, 2026 at 11:59**. Please reach out to Ms. Poplin with any questions. (A copy of the submitted application will be emailed to each student to confirm the application was received. Students are encouraged to NOT wait until the deadline, but if there is a question, reach out to Ms. Poplin prior to the deadline.)

EOG / EOC End of Year Testing Schedule

	Friday May 29	Monday June 1	Tuesday June 2	Wednesday June 3	Thursday, June 4 – Thursday, June 11
6th		Reading EOG	Math EOG	Math I EOC	Make-ups/ Retesting
7th	Reading EOG	Math EOG		Math I EOC	Make-ups/ Retesting
8th	Science EOG	Science EOG Make-ups	Reading EOG	Math EOG Math I EOC	Make-ups/ Retesting

This schedule reflects our current plan for 2026 EOG / EOC testing. The possibility exists, due to circumstances beyond our control, that adjustments to these dates may happen. Please know that if a change needs to be made, we will communicate it as soon as possible to our families. Please reach out to our Testing Coordinator, Susan Cherry, with any questions (scherry@wcpss.net).

EOG Remediation / Readministration - North Carolina requires all eligible students to take state End-of-Grade (EOG) and End-of Course (EOC) tests each year. Students in grades 3–8 take EOG tests in reading and math, and in science in grades 5 and 8. Students taking NC Math 1, NC Math 3, Biology, or English II take EOC tests, which count for 20% of the final grade in those four courses. This year, students who score “Not Proficient” on their state assessment will have the opportunity to take the test a second time. Students scoring levels 3-5 are not eligible for retesting. This retest gives students another chance to demonstrate their learning and growth. **For students taking EOC tests, they will also have the opportunity to improve their course grade if the score is higher on their second attempt.** More information found [here](#).

If you would like your student to have this opportunity to retest in the event that they score “Not Proficient” on their first attempt, please complete [THIS FORM](#). You must submit one form for each student attending Oberlin. The deadline to complete the form is **May 25, 2026**. If you have any questions about retesting or state assessments, please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Susan Cherry at scherry@wcpss.net.

Registration for Rising Seventh and Eighth Grade Oberlin Students

Rising 8th Grade Registration: Students will receive registration information and materials the week of April 20th. Students will register in science class, by teams, on the following dates: Phoenix - Keel 4.28, Embers - LaPat 4.30, Dragons - Williams 5.5

Registration information and materials will be distributed in Science classes. Students will complete their course selection in Infinite Campus with the assistance of their grade level counselor during their Science class. Students should partner with parents / caregivers to review course selections prior to their assigned in class registration date.

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) with membership questions.

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