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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Guardians.

As we move through the school year and closer to the end of our second quarter, I am hopeful your child has settled into the routine of school. I would like to take this opportunity to share upcoming events that will involve many of our students.

During this time of the year, our performing arts classes have the opportunity to showcase what students have been learning the first half of the school year. The best way to do that is with a show or concert. Below you will find several events I encourage you all to attend whether your child is a participant or not. Our performing art classes provide options for students to try out various forms of entertainment. I hope you will come out to support one of more of these groups of students at one of more of the following events.

Date	Time	Location	Activity
12/2/21	7:00pm – 9:00pm	Seabreeze Auditorium	Winter Concert (Beginning Band)
12/3/21	7:00pm – 9:00pm	Seabreeze Auditorium	Winter Concert (Symphonic Band)
12/3/21	6:00pm – 8pm	OBMS Cafeteria	Orchestra Concert
12/7/21	6:30pm – 8pm	OBMS Cafeteria	Choir Concert
12/9/21	6:30pm – 8pm	OBMS Cafeteria	Dance Showcase

As we prepare for the second semester of the school year, I encourage you to review your child's grades on a weekly basis. This helps students hold themselves more accountable to completing each assignment on time and to prevent that rush to get it all completed right before grades are submitted. Helping students organize their time is the greatest life skill we can partner together to help them succeed.

Another item for discussion would be the new dress code. While many are happy that we no longer have uniforms, we need to remember Volusia County Schools still has a dress code. At OBMS, the major items of concern are midriff tops, with or without jackets, as most do not zip the jacket appropriately, pants that look like or are pajama pants and lastly pants not secured properly at the waist. I mention these to ask for your assistance. Please remind your child that the midriff and pajama looking pants are best left for leisure wear at home, and that low pants expose portion of the body, covered or not covered, that isn't appropriate for the school setting. When we partner together, our students will succeed.

I hope the upcoming holiday season brings you and your family joy, time to spend together, and happiness. I look forward to the many successes I know OBMS Panthers will experience in the new year. Please feel free to reach out to your child's administrator, counselor, or teacher if assistance is needed to ensure your child success.

Thank you for your continued support, Susan Tuten , Principal



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To close the opportunity gap through challenging and engaging thinking to prepere students for college and career readiness in our global society.



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Upcoming Field Trips

This year the annual 8th grade field trip will be making a right hand turn from I-95 and heading to Colonial Virginia. Our trip will delight the students who have learned about Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown then following these adventures to Monticello and Luray Caverns. The dates of the trip are March 11-15, 2022. The first deposit of \$100 is due December 1st, to Educational Tours to begin your place on this trip. Please make sure your student has picked up a trip packet from their U.S. History teachers - Mrs. Norvell, Mrs. Motz, or Mr. Sampson. Any questions can be sent to Mrs. Norvell's email – kpnorvel@volusia.k12.fl.us.

7th grade students will be traveling to Tallahassee, Florida on February 10- 11, 2022. Students will get to tour the state capitol building, Florida Supreme Court, Florida History Museum, and other historical venues in town. Students are to sign up through Ms. Block (2-111). alblock@volusia.k12.fl.us

Thankful For Life, Love, and Family

From the Desk of Mrs. Heard

I would like to share what we are doing in Fundamentals of Culinary Arts here at OBMS.

Students in Culinary Arts are working on Measurements and Recipes Interpretation. Students are learning and understanding that ELA and Mathematics are relevant as they relate to Culinary Arts. We are doing great things in this course. We practice labs five to six times per quarter. Our lab titles include: Pizza, Variety of Pancakes, Cupcakes and Grinder "Hot" Sandwiches. Students are learning vocabulary terminology used in the Hospitality Industry and implementing their skills by creating a Thanksgiving Recipe Booklet. Students in this course can focus on fundamentals to their pathways to high school and beyond.















Dayfona News Journal Cenfer Trip

On October 29, November 1 & 2, our 8th grade classes were honored to visit the Mary McLeod Bethune statue at the Daytona News Journal Center.

Each class watched a video about the outstanding life Bethune lived and all her accomplishments before going to see her statue which will be presented to the U.S. Capitol Statuary Hall. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about one of our county residents and the achievements she provided throughout her lifetime.

The 11-foot statue, which weighs more than 6,000 lbs., was sculpted out of the largest (and last) piece of statuary marble from Michelangelo's quarry in Italy. It was created by artist Nilda Comas, who was chosen from a field of 1,600 applicants and is the first Hispanic master sculptor to create a statue for the National Statuary Hall State Collection.







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Congratulations to the OBMS Cross Country Team on a great season! Ms. Tramaglini's Boys team took 1st place as Volusia County Champions and Girls took 2nd place. Both teams qualified for Sate Finals.

Florida Junior Thespians

Proudly introducing for the first timeever District 2 Troupe 88271 from Ormond Beach Middle School! This year we had 12 students attend Thespians Festival at Lake Mary High School where they got to see performances and attend master classes in improvisation, puppetry, and Broadway dance.





What's New With National Junior Honor Society

- Our organization is meeting December 10th in the media center to support the Halifax Humane Society.
- National Junior Honor Society has a tab on the Ormond Beach Middle School webpage.
- All current 7th and 8th grade National Junior Honor Society members are expected to continue working on their service commitment of a minimum of 10 volunteer hours before April of 2022. Volunteer forms are available in the media center and online.
- Students are selected for membership based on their academic achievement of earning a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.7 for the first three quarters of the 2021-2022 year and having exemplary behavior. New members will be receiving invitations to be inducted in April of 2022.
- Congratulations to Ady Doherty, Rucker Feezor, Lucy Kimble, Lindsey Krallinger, Taina Palacios, Sofia Ramirez-Perez, and Adelynn Smuron for being named to our Leadership Council.
- This year's sponsors are Ms. Wagers and Ms. Murray.







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School Breakfast News

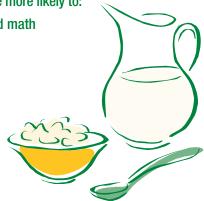
Studies show that students who eat breakfast are more likely to:

Reach higher levels of Achievement reading and math

- Score higher on standardized tests
- Have better concentration and memory
- Be more alert
- Maintain a healthy weight

Breakfast is served every day starting at 8:45 AM through 9:45 AM

And remember... Breakfast and Lunch are FREE through June 2022



Media Center News

- The Florida Department of Education has designated our media center as a Florida Power-Library!
- The media center is open to students from 8:50 AM to 4:20 PM daily for book check out, research and technology use. Students are encouraged to check out two books for a three-week period.
- Stop by the media center to select one of our Sunshine State Novels to read.
 All 15 titles are available for checkout! Brag tags and chains are also available to students who read the Sunshine State Novels. https://www.floridamediaed.org/uploads/6/1/4/2/61420659/6-8 2021-22-1 ssyra annotated list.pdf
- Need tutoring or technology assistance from a peer? Stop by the media center before school for assistance from one of our Techsperts! Students are welcome to print out their class assignments, check their grades, and work on projects before school. See Ms. Murray for more information.
- Our next *Top 100 Readers* event to honor our readers for the second quarter with the most *Reading Counts* points will be December 16th! The deadline to earn points is December 13th. Over 1,600 books have been read so far this year!
- Follow our Panther happenings on either Facebook @OrmondBeachMiddleSchool or Twitter @OBMSMedia!

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Tardiness

Did you know that when your student is just 5 minutes late for school they could actually end up being up to 10 or more minutes late for first period. Why you ask? Once the first period bell rings for class to start, the gates are locked and students are then required to enter the school through the main office. At this point students need to have a pass to move about the campus. On any given day your student could be standing in a long line, not only missing valuable time from first period, but also interrupting their classmates from learning.

Below are some of our school wide expectations that will help every child succeed in a positive learning environment. Classroom teachers have established expectations specific to their classrooms as well.

- Cell phones may not be seen or heard unless directed by the teacher during school hours.
- Students will demonstrate respect toward others, staff, and the school environment at all times.
- Students will be dressed appropriately for school at all times.
- Students are not allowed to chew gum on campus.
- Students will bring their charged laptops to school daily.
- Student ID's need to be worn at all times.

Upon review of the above expectations, I am sure that you will agree that by following the expectations every student will have the best opportunity to participate and learn the rigorous standards of each class they attend. As a part of your child's educational team, we strive to work with you to help your child succeed.





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Earn money for the PTSA by shopping on Amazon. Here's how:

Log on to smile.amazon.com. On your first visit to AmazonSmile you will be prompted to select an organization. Select "Ormond Beach Middle School PTSA" from the list of eligible organizations.

To change your charitable organization: Sign in to smile.amazon.com. Go to Your Account and select Your AmazonSmile, go to Change charity and select "Ormond Beach Middle School PTSA".

PTSA Memberships

Memberships are \$5 each and help support our school and the Florida PTA. Memberships can be purchased online at obmsptsa.square.site.

Fence Banners

Purchase a Fence Banner to advertise your business on our pick up line fence or in the OBMS gymnasium. The 3x6 banners are displayed for the 2020-2021 school year and cost \$300. Please contact Beth at obmsbanner@gmail.com if you would like additional information.

Connect with your OBMS PTSA

- Join REMIND by texting @obmspt to 81010
- Check us out on Facebook at "Ormond Beach Middle PTSA"
- Follow us on Instagram at "OBMS_PTSA"
- Read our article in PAW PRINTS (just as you are doing now!)
- Join us for our Board Meetings held the 2nd Friday of each Month at 9:30. Please email obmsptsa@gmail.com to receive meeting information.
- Be a part of our PTSA Team. Contact Bri at obms@ptsa@gmail.com.

We wish a safe and happy holiday.

Please contact us at obmsptsa@gmail.com if you would like any additional information, would like to volunteer, request forms or have comments/questions for our Board.

Thank you for your support!

The Ormond Beach Middle School PTSA Board





Saturday, January 29, 2022

7:15 a.m. Check-in/Registration open: 8:30 a.m. Race starts (promptly!) Awards ceremony to follow.

Entry Fees

\$25 Through January 21[±] \$20 OBMS Students/Staff \$20 Local XC & Track Teams \$30 Race Day Registration (Checks payable to OBMS PTSA) Entry fees are non-refundable

Awards

Top Overall Male & Female finisher Top 3 in each age group: 10 and under, 11-12,13-14, 15-16, 17-19 then each 5 years to 80 & over.

Amenities

Event t-shirts are guaranteed to participants registered before January 3rd. Refreshments will be available after the race.

Directions & Parking

The run will start and end at the Ormond Beach Middle School, located at 151 Domicillo Ave. Ormond Beach, 32174. Parking is available at Ormond Beach Middle School.

Course

Professionally chip-timed and Scored by Hasselmania Productions, LLC. Race results will be posted online at www.Racesmith.com.

Pre-Register online at www.RaceSmith.com through Jan. 27th or complete the entry form below and deliver it to Ormond Beach Middle School via mail or turn entry into the front office. Race Day registration begins at 7:15 a.m.

ENTRY FORM							
Last Name	First Name						
Date of Birth	Age on Race Day		Male	Female			
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INCOMPLETE OR UNSIGNED ENTRY FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. In consideration of my entry being accepted, I intend to be legally bound and do hereby for myself, my heirs, and executors waive all rights and claims for damages which may hereafter accrue to be against Ormond Beach Middle School, Ormond Beach Middle School PTSA, Volusia Countly School Board, City of Ormond Beach, Volusia Countly, Hasselmania Productions, LLC and the sponsor for the race which I am entering, any subsidy or political division thereof, its or their respective officers, agents, employees, representatives, successors, assigns and sponsors for any and all damage or injuries which may be sustained and suffered by in connection with my association with entry or participation in the event as it is mentioned above. If I should suffer injury or illness, I authorize officials of the race to use their discretion to have me transported to a medical facility and I take full responsibility for these actions. I attest and certify that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use any photography, videotapes, moniton pictures, recordings or any other record of this event for any purpose. Bicycles, baby strollers/joggers, dogs, inline/roller skates are prohibited. I HAVE READ THE ABOVE RELEASE AND UNDERSTAND I AM ENTERING THIS EVENT AT MY OWN RISK.

Race contact: Jennifer Hoobler at obms5k@gmail.com.

Packet pick-up available on Friday, January 28th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Ormond Beach Middle School.











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- 2. ESTABLISH A SOLID HOME STUDY ROUTINE. Encouraging and supporting this vital activity will improve your student's attitude and performance at school and instill a work ethic that endures for a lifetime. SET A SCHEDULE. Establish a regular timeslot for this important daily activity. Seek your child's agreement and commitment to reserve this time each day for homework and study. Encourage this discipline. CREATE THE ENVIRONMENT. Students can be easily distracted. Teach them to create an atmosphere conducive for concentration. Minimizing social media access, loud music, and other detractors will improve effectiveness and retention. Having a defined study area works with some students but not all. The most important factor is the discipline of doing it every day. OBSERVE AND ENGAGE. Psychologists suggest that it takes three weeks to break or establish a habit. Commit three weeks to assisting with your student's daily routine. Make good homework practices a habit for both of you.
- 3. MAKE DAILY ATTENDANCE THE EXPECTATION. Very few things have as much negative effect on academic performance as poor attendance. Be clear in your attitude towards attending school every day. In the working world, attendance is equated with dependability.

- 4. ENCOURAGE EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY. Involvement in any of our many clubs, sports, and arts programs improves academic performance, attendance, and discipline issues. We have something for everyone. Participation in these activities enhances school life and looks good on career and college applications. Also, help your child plan and execute community service, which is a requirement for earning Bright Futures scholarship money.
- 5. HELP YOUR STUDENT PLAN FOR POST-GRADUATION. Talk to your student about career interests and passions. Several online career questionnaires are available such as http://www.careeroutlook.us/assessment/short. shtml that may help. Assist with a search for colleges or technical training programs that will prepare them for a career that interests them. Learn the entrance requirements and costs associated with attending those colleges or programs. Help your child establish a career goal then plan backward for how to achieve that goal. Share what your hopes and dreams were when you were in high school and suggest family members and friends that they can talk to for insight and guidance. They should be asking questions about career opportunities but may not know the right questions to ask. Our guidance counselors can help. No matter what they dream of doing after graduation, planning for the next step is a wise choice. Post high school education contributes to a better quality of life. But whether or not they go on to a college, university, career or technical school, the information and skills they learn in high school will always be important in the working world. Everyone, in every kind of job, needs to be able to write and speak clearly, listen carefully, understand what is written and spoken, and use math effectively.