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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Parents and Students:

We are pleased to welcome everyone to the 2021-2022 school year. The purpose of this newsletter is to share important information that you will need during this school year. Parents are encouraged to review the enclosed information with their students and contact us should questions arise.

I am very proud to announce that our school recently received an "A" grade from the Department of Education. This marks our 10th consecutive year of receiving this honor. We were also recognized as a US News and World Reports top 100 high school in Florida for the 4th straight year. This grade and national acknowledgment reflects the hard work of our dedicated teachers, students, support staff and you the parents. Congratulations!

Osceola Fundamental High School will continue to operate on a seven-period schedule with **START AND ENDING TIMES OF 7:25AM TO 1:55PM**, Monday through Friday. Free breakfast will be served daily to all students from 6:50am to 7:15am. We will operate with two designated lunch periods starting after 4th period. Each student will either have first or second lunch period designated within their schedule. Lunch is also free for all students. In an effort to increase student choices, and in an effort to reduce wait time, our food services will provide vending machines with nutritious foods and beverages.

Hats off to Todd Belair, Head Plant Operator, and our wonderful plant operations staff for doing another outstanding job in deep cleaning our classrooms and beautifying our school grounds over the summer break. The facility looks great! Please know that Pinellas County Schools will continue to maintain enhanced district mitigation practices for COVID-19 regarding: air filtration, cleaning and disinfecting within all district buildings, schools and buses.

For your planning purposes please note that our "Back to School Night" will be held virtually on Tuesday, August 31st from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. School Advisory Council (SAC), the Parent, Teacher and Student Association (PTSA) and our Booster Association will meet monthly beginning in September. Please visit our school's website for the meeting dates and times for all of these associations.

On behalf of the Warrior family, thank you for choosing Osceola Fundamental High School for your child's education. I am honored to be your principal and know my door is always open. We look forward to working with you.

Your Partner in Education,
Michael C. Bohnet
Principal

OUR MISSION

Osceola High School's mission is to sustain an environment where staff, students, parents and community work collaboratively to support all students in meeting or exceeding graduation requirements.

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Michael C. Bohnet

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GUIDANCE NEWS

PARENT MEETING CALENDAR DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

- September 7, 2020 Booster Meeting..... 7-8 pm
 - September 13, 2020 School Advisory Council &..... 7-8 pm
Senior Parent Meeting
 - September 30, 2020 PTSA & 9th Grade Parent Meeting..... 7-8 pm
- Note: There will be no parent meetings in the month of August.



MAKE-UP POLICY

Osceola Fundamental High School has no make-up policy for the 2019-2020 school year. Fundamental guidelines require that you attend any one of the following meetings per month: PTSA, SAC or Booster Association meeting.

INFO UPDATES

Parents please make sure your addresses, email addresses and phone numbers are updated in Focus. If your address or phone number needs to be changed, please contact the school at 727-547-7717.

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The Warrior Record newspaper staff needs your help! In order to publish the school newspaper, we must have advertisers or donors. Please email Rhonda Deatley at deatleyr@pcsb.org if you can help.

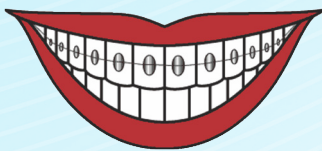
STUDENT NEWS

Want more news and information? Go to www.osceolaHSnews.com for student news, features, and commentary.

AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER CALENDAR DATES

- Wednesday, August 11**..... First day of school for PreK-12 and postsecondary schools.
- Tuesday, August 31** Osceola Fundamental's Back to School Night, 6 pm – 8 pm
- Monday, September 6** Labor Day Holiday - schools closed for staff and students.
- Tuesday & Wednesday, September 7-8**..... Rosh Hashanah (Observance begins at sunset on Monday, September 6, 2021)
- Thursday, September 16** Yom Kippur (Observance begins at sunset on Wednesday, September 15, 2021)
- Tuesday & Wednesday, September 21-22**.... Sukkot (Observance begins at sunset on Monday, September 20, 2021)
- Tuesday & Wednesday, September 28-29**.... Shemini Atzeret (Observance begins at sunset on Monday, September 27, 2021)

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2021/2022 BELL SCHEDULE

(Five minutes of passing time between classes /47 min periods)

Regular Days

- Period 1: 7:25 – 8:13
(48 min due to morning announcements)
- Period 2: 8:18 – 9:05
- Period 3: 9:10 – 9:57
- Period 4: 10:02 – 10:49
- Period 5: 1st Lunch 5th period
10:49 – 11:19 10:54 – 11:41
- Period 5: 5th period 2nd Lunch
11:24 – 12:11 11:41 – 12:11
- Period 6: 12:16 – 1:03
- Period 7: 1:08 – 1:55



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SCHEDULE FOR REPORT PERIODS AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORT CARDS 2021-2022

Secondary (Grades 6-12) Students

Mid Period Report (for those students needing a mid-term report – see note below)	End of Report Period	Final Grades and Comment Codes Due in FOCUS	Report Cards Distributed
Thursday September 9, 2021	Thursday October 7, 2021	Friday – 4:00 p.m. October 15, 2021	Tuesday October 19, 2021
Wednesday November 10, 2021	Friday December 17, 2021	Friday – 4:00 p.m. January 7, 2022	Tuesday January 11, 2022
Friday February 4, 2022	Friday March 11, 2022	Friday – 4:00 p.m. March 25, 2022	Tuesday March 29, 2022
Friday April 22, 2022	Thursday May 26, 2022	Friday – 4:00 p.m. May 27, 2022	Wednesday June 1, 2022

Note: Mid-Term Progress reports are distributed to high school and middle school student who have a current grade of D or F. Some schools choose to send Mid-Term Progress Reports to all students.

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ACT AND SAT TEST DATES AND DEADLINES

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Available
August 28, 2021	July 30, 2021	September 10, 2021
October 2, 2021	September 3, 2021	October 15, 2021
November 6, 2021	October 8, 2021	November 19, 2021
December 4, 2021	November 4, 2021	December 17, 2021
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022	March 25, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	May 20, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	June 13, 2022

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Scores Available
September 11, 2021	August 6, 2021	*
October 23, 2021	September 17, 2021	*
December 11, 2021	November 5, 2021	*
February 12, 2022	January 7, 2022	*
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	*
July 16, 2022	June 17, 2022	*

*Test scores are typically available about 2-8 weeks after test dates



TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Time management is essential.**
 - Complete all assignments and turn in on time.
 - Prepare for tests and projects by planning.
 - Balancing academics and extracurricular activities can be challenging but is possible to do by avoiding procrastination.
- Organization and being responsible are key.**
 - Set goals and prioritize to complete tasks.
 - “Know how you learn and study in areas that are conducive to learning while avoiding distractions.” *
 - Know how to study for each subject area.
 - “Take good notes and study them.” *
 - “Utilize test taking strategies.” *
 - Read for comprehension of the material.
 - Use your own words to avoid plagiarism and give credit to others.
- Strive for perfect attendance.**
 - Both physical and mental presence contribute to the acquisition of knowledge.
- Communication is important.**
 - Seek help when necessary.
 - Express concerns with a trusted adult.
- “Reduce Test Anxiety.” ***
 - “Be prepared and arrive early.” *
 - “Get a good night’s sleep and eat a nutritious breakfast.” *
 - “Stay focused on the task at hand (not others), use calm breathing and positive thoughts.” *
 - “Watch the clock” * and pace yourself.
 - “Just start and read carefully.” *

*From the Woodburn Press pamphlet “How to Get Good Grades: In Ten Easy Steps” (2005 edition).

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OSCEOLA FUNDAMENTAL VARSITY FOOTBALL

- KOC - Leto 8/20/2021****
 1 - @ Bayshore 8/27/2021 7:30 PM
 2 - Dunedin 9/3/2021**
 3 - @ Pinellas Park 9/10/2021
 4 - Parrish Community 9/17/2021**
 5 - Citrus (Brooksville) 9/24/2021**
 6 - @ Central (Brooksville) 10/1/2021 7:30 PM
 7 - Palm Harbor Th 10/7/2021**
 8 - BYE WEEK
 9 - @ Saint Petersburg 10/22/2021
 10 - Land O' Lakes 10/29/2021**
 11 - @ Seminole 11/5/2021
 **Home Games


OSCEOLA FUNDAMENTAL JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL

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|----------|------------------------------|---------|
| 9/8/21 | Hollins High** | 6:30 pm |
| 9/15/21 | @ Lakewood High School | 6:30 pm |
| 9/22/21 | Boca Ciega High School** | 6:30 pm |
| 9/29/21 | @ Gibbs High School | 6:30 pm |
| 10/6/21 | St. Petersburg High School** | 6:30 pm |
| 10/13/21 | @ Pinellas Park High School | 6:30 pm |
| 10/20/21 | Northeast High School** | 6:30 pm |
- ** Home Games



SWIMMING AND DIVING SCHEDULE 2021-2022

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| August 25 (W) | OHS vs Clearwater @ Clearwater High School |
| September 1 (W) | East Lake vs OHS @ OHS |
| | Team Pictures/Individual Pictures/Senior Pictures |
| September 8 (W) | OHS vs Boca Ciega vs Shorecrest @ Northshore Pool |
| September 15 (W) | OHS vs Palm Harbor @ Palm Harbor YMCA |
| September 17-18 | PCAC @ TBD - Diving (Fri)/Swimming (Sat) |
| September 22 (W) | St. Pete vs OHS @ OHS |
| September 29 (W) | Countryside vs OHS OHS |
| October 6 (W) | OHS vs Seminole @ Seminole (home) |
| October 8 (F) | Eagle Invitational @ Northshore Pool |
| | October Districts @ TBD |
| | October/November Regionals @ TBD |
| November 13 (S) | States @ Sailfish Splash Waterpark and Aquatics Center, Stuart FL *dates subject to change |
| ACT Dates: | 9/11 and 10/23 |
| SAT Dates: | 8/28, 10/2 and 11/6 please plan accordingly |
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GIRLS JV/V VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE 2021

Sa 8/21/21	Preseason Tourney (E)	Tampa Prep	V	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Tu 8/24/21	Calvary	Home	JV/V	6:00 PM / 7:30 PM
W 8/25/21	Hollins(C)	Home	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
F 8/27/21	Gibbs (C)	Home	V	7:00 PM
M 8/30/21	Keswick	Away	JV/V	5:30 PM / 6:45 PM
Tu 8/31/21	Lakewood (C)	Away	V	7:00 PM
Th 9/2/21	Northeast (C)	Away	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
Tu 9/7/21	Boca Ciega (C)	Home	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
W 9/8/21	East Lake	Home	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
F 9/10/21	Tourney (2 games) (E)	RADD Sports	V	TBD
Sa 9/11/21	Tourney (3 games) (E)	RADD Sports	V	TBD
Th 9/16/21	St. Pete (C)	Away	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
M 9/20/21	Pinellas Park (C)	Home	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
F 9/24/21	Calvary Tourney (2 games) (E)	Away	V	TBD
Sa 9/25/21	Calvary Tourney (2 games) (E)	Away	V	TBD
Th 9/30/21	Countryside	Away	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
F 10/1/21	East Lake	Away	V	7:00 PM
Tu 10/5/21	Tarpon Springs	Home	JV/V	6:30 PM / 7:45 PM
Tu 10/12/21	Academy of Holy Names	Home	V	6:00 PM
Th 10/14/21	PCAC Championship	TBD	V	7:00 PM
10/18 – 10/22	District Tournament	TBD	V	TBD

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CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE 2021

Sa 8/21/21	Dunbar Jaguar Jamboree	Buckingham Park	TBA
F 8/27/21	Babe Zaharias Invite	Babe Zaharias GC	5:00 PM
Sa 8/28/21	Jim Ryun Invite	Holloway Park	7:00 AM
Sa 9/4/21	Ocala Horse Farm Invite	Florida Horse Park	8:00 AM
Sa 9/11/21	Lecanto Invite	Lecanto HS	7:00 PM
Sa 9/18/21	North Port Invite	North Port High	7:20 AM
Sa 9/25/21	River Ridge Invite	River Ridge HS	8:00 AM
Sa 10/2/21	FLRunners Invite	Holloway Park	7:20 AM
Sa 10/9/21	Land O Lakes Invite	Crews Lake Park	8:00 AM
W 10/13/21	PCAC Championships	Hammock Park	8:00 AM



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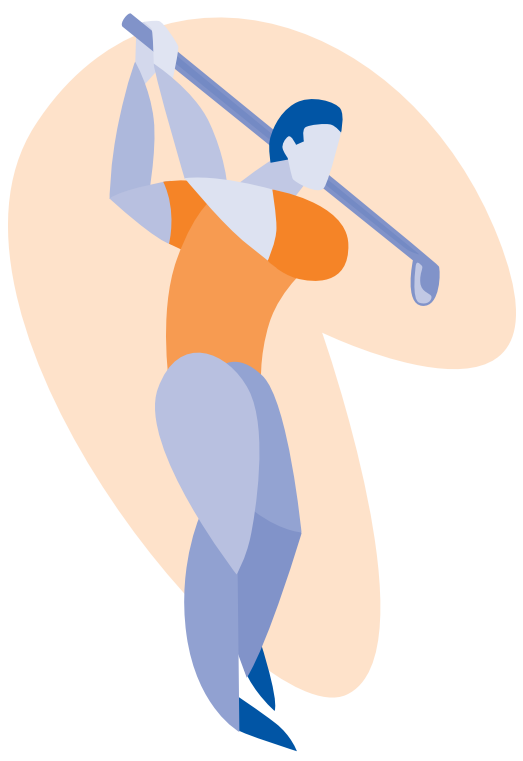
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SPORTS SCHEDULES

GIRLS GOLF SCHEDULE 2021

Th 8/26/21	Northeast / Palm Harbor Hollins	Bardmoor	3:00 PM
Th 9/2/21	Clearwater / Largo / East Lake / Boca Ciega	Clearwater CC	3:00 PM
Th 9/9/21	Northeast / Dunedin / St. Pete	Bardmoor	3:00 PM
Th 9/16/21	Countryside / Hollins	Countryside CC	3:00 PM
M 9/20/21	Dunedin / Tarpon	Dunedin CC	3:00 PM
Th 9/30/21	PCAC Championships	Bardmoor	3:00 PM



BOYS GOLF SCHEDULE 2021

Tu 8/24/21	Northeast / Palm Harbor	Tarpon Municipal	3:00 PM
W 9/1/21	East Lake / Boca Ciega	Bardmoor	3:00 PM
Tu 9/7/21	Dunedin / St. Pete	Dunedin CC	3:00 PM
Tu 9/14/21	Countryside / Hollins	Countryside CC	3:00 PM
W 9/22/21	Tarpon / Lakewood	Bardmoor	3:00 PM
M 9/27/21	PCAC Championships	Bardmoor	3:00 PM

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ATTENDANCE COUNTS

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.
- Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, dealing with a bully or facing some other potentially serious difficulty.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, regular and high attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.
- Missing 10 percent, or about 18 days, of the school year can drastically affect a student's academic success.
- Students can be chronically absent even if they only miss a day or two every few weeks.
- Attendance is an important life skill that will help your child graduate from college and keep a job.

WHAT YOU CAN DO.

- Make school attendance a priority.
- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day, make that the expectation.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day.
- Don't let your child stay home unless truly sick. Complaints of headaches or stomach aches may be signs of anxiety.

HELP YOUR TEEN STAY ENGAGED.

- Find out if your child feels engaged by his classes and feels safe from bullies and other threats. Make sure he/she is not missing class because of behavioral issues and school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, work with your school.
- Stay on top of academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors if necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- Encourage meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.

COMMUNICATE WITH THE SCHOOL.

- Know the school's attendance policy - incentives and penalties.
- Talk to teachers if you notice sudden changes in behavior. These could be tied to something going on at school.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not piling up.
- Ask for help from school officials, after-school programs, other parents or community agencies if you're having trouble getting your child to school.



**Every Student
Every Day**