From Principal Sermak:

**Important Dates:**

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**Tardies to First Hour:** Protecting instructional time and limiting disruptions to the learning environment are important to us. Being on time is a lifelong skill. We will follow our attendance policy regarding tardies (please review page 58-59 of the Student-Parent Handbook).

**Student Vehicle Registration and Parking Sticker ($40.00):** Every vehicle driven to school by a student and parked in any school lot must have a 2019-2020 vehicle sticker (see “Vehicle Registration” located on the OHS website). Please register and pay online (CLICK HERE) or come to the main office to complete the process no later than Tuesday, November 26.

**School News:**

**Spirit Wear Sale:** For the upcoming holiday season, the Okemos High School Store is offering a spirit wear sale. BSN (formerly Johnny Mac's) is the company used to host the store. Click https://www.bsnteamsports.com/shop/Pm9w9taZyz to access the store. All orders must be placed on or before November 25th. Items will be mailed to your home address approximately two weeks after the webstore closes on November 25th.

**Coat Drive 2019:** Once again this year, we are collecting warm clothing for those in need. We are looking for CLEAN items in good repair. It has gotten significantly colder earlier this fall and there is more need in our area. We are looking for more than just coats; we can use hats, gloves, boots, snow pants, sweatshirts or anything else that will help keep someone warm. Sizes toddler through adult are in need. You can drop off your donations in the Main Office, Guidance Office, or D-232 (Mr. Pline’s room). The final drop off date will be Tuesday December 17th. This is the 26th year for this event and hopefully it will be our most successful.

**Library Hours:** The library will close at the end of 6th hour, 2:35 pm Tuesday Nov 26th. It will open at 7:45 am Monday morning, Dec 2nd.
Counseling News:

**Lansing Community College:** Seniors interested in attending Lansing Community College next fall are invited to attend a presentation in the KIVA during FLEX on December 5, 2019. A representative from LCC will go through the application process and will discuss available scholarships. Interested students need to sign up in the counseling office.

**Senior: Scholarships Available** - Take time to come into the Counseling Office to browse through the scholarship binder. We have the **Tyler Oakley Scholarship** available (due 4/22/20), the “**Heart of a Mom**” **Honorarium** (due 5/1/20), the **Never Back Down Scholarship** (for lacrosse athletes due 5/1/20) and the **Okemos Masonic Scholarship** (due 3/2/20)

Athletic News:

**All athletic contests** are available on the calendar at this link: [https://www.okemosk12.net/domain/3116](https://www.okemosk12.net/domain/3116) This will include cancellations and reschedules.

No home contests the week of 11/25.
- Meet the Chiefs, Tuesday, 11/26 at 7PM
- Chieftain Madness will follow Meet the Chiefs

**Tryout/Start Dates for Winter Sports:**
- 11/25- Boys Swim & Dive

District News:

**Board of Education Meeting Summary**- Please click on the link for a summary of our latest meeting of the Okemos Board of Education: [https://www.okemos12.net/Page/520](https://www.okemos12.net/Page/520)
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