From Principal Sermak:

Important Dates:

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**SENIOR PICTURES DUE NOVEMBER 4th.** Be sure your photographer saves the picture as a .JPEG image ONLY and save the picture LAST NAME, FIRST NAME (this makes the process much faster and more efficient). Senior pictures must meet the requirements as listed on our website. Click HERE. SEND ALL PICTURES TO: seniorpictures@okemosk12.net

**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 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. Note: We will be checking passes in the near future.

School News:

**Okemos Cares -- Needs your help!** The goal of Okemos Cares is to provide financial assistance to students and families as we work to make high school an inclusive experience for all students, regardless of financial status. Therefore, we are creating a resource closet with toiletry items available to students in need. We will be collecting items at the entrance of the gymnasium at Parent-Teacher conferences on the evenings of November 13 and 14 from 4pm-7pm and November 19 from 3:30-7:30. When you are out shopping for your own family, please pick up an item or two and place it in the box found at the entrance of the gymnasium before Parent-Teacher conferences. Thank you!

**Current needs:**

- Soap - hand, shower, dish, laundry
- Prepackaged meals (things that a teenager could easily prepare)
- Mac and cheese
- Easy mac
- Snacks (individually packaged)
- Cereal/granola bars
- Individual milk (the ones that don’t need to be refrigerated)
- Acne/skin care
- Household cleaning products
- Girls black leggings in various sizes
- Men’s deodorant
- Women’s deodorant
- Toilet paper (individually wrapped rolls would be great but not necessary)
Facial tissue
Hangers (for the clothes, not wire)
Lotion
Boxes of tampons
Cough drops
Dental floss
*We need shampoo and conditioner for textured hair.
   Brands to look for: Shea Moisture, Creme of Nature, and Cantu Shea Butter

Okemos High School Parent Group registered with Amazon Smile program recently. Please support our organization by starting shopping at smile.amazon.com via this link: https://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-3107555
So every time Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible amazon smile purchase to Okemos High School Parent Group. You do not have to pay any extra to support Okemos High School. Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know – same products, same prices, and same services. Please just spend time on clicking several buttons to support Okemos High School Parent Group. Thank You!

SCHEDULED PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES FOR 2019-2020!
Please be sure to schedule your conference at: https://www.myconferencetime.com/okemoshs.

Fall conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 13 from 4:00-7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 14 from 4:00-7:00 p.m., and Tuesday, November 19 from 3:30-6:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, please call the main office at 517-706-4904 or 517-706-4902.

Counseling News:

College Visits:
Central Michigan University - Tuesday, November 5 - in front of the cafeteria during lunches
Eastern Michigan University - Wednesday, November 6- in front of the cafeteria during lunches
Cleary College - Thursday - November 7 - in front of the cafeteria during both lunches
United States Marines - Tuesday, November 12 - in front of the cafeteria during both lunches

2020 Advanced Placement Exams: Reminder that all current students in Advanced Placement classes (here at OHS or online through Michigan Virtual) are required to register for AP exams by Wednesday, November 13. Any students who are self-studying and would also like to take any May 2020 AP exams are also required to register by November 13 to avoid the $40/exam late fees. There is also a $40/exam fee for cancelling exams after November 13. Please go to www.totalregistration.net/ap/232850 to register or cancel all exams. See Mrs. Akers with any questions.

Wilson Talent Center 11th Grade Presentation: A representative of the Wilson Talent Center will be at OHS during Flex on October 31st. All interested 11th grade students are invited to attend this Flex session, and are eligible for several WTC 1-year programs!
**Scholarship Search Workshop for Seniors:** Ms. Chelsea Rademacher from the Michigan Department of Treasury will be visiting Okemos High School during Flex on November 7th in the Counseling Office. This workshop is appropriate for any senior who is interested in learning more about scholarship resources and strategies. Please plan to bring your device.

**Athletic News:**

Congratulations to the Girls Cross Country Team for finishing 3rd at Regionals and qualifying for the State Finals Meet on Saturday at MIS in Brooklyn! Brooke Soper was also recognized individually for finishing 13th at Regionals!

**No home contests the week of November 4th**
- 11/6- Volleyball Districts vs Mason @ Jackson NW 5:30PM
- 11/7- Volleyball District Finals @ Jackson NW 6PM
- 11/8-9- Girls Swim & Dive CAAC Blue Meet @ St. Johns

**Tryout/Start Dates for Winter Sports:**
- 11/4- Hockey
- 11/11- Girls Basketball
- 11/18- Skiing, Boys Basketball, Wrestling
- 11/25- Boys Swim & Dive

**Meet the Chiefs is 11/26 at 7PM**

**National Letter of Intent Signing Day** is November 13th. We will have a table and backdrop setup in the Kiva from 3-5PM on November 13th for students that wish to sign their National Letters of Intent. If you are interested in participating, please contact Athletic Director Brian Fuller at brian.fuller@okemosk12.net

**The MHSAA Scholar-Athlete award application process:** is open to Senior Varsity Athletes with a 3.5 GPA. For more information, go to [https://www.mhsaa.com/Schools/Students/Scholar-Athlete-Award](https://www.mhsaa.com/Schools/Students/Scholar-Athlete-Award)

**Online Payments link for season passes and participation fees:** [https://www.okemosk12.net/Page/9024](https://www.okemosk12.net/Page/9024)