HUSKY HEADLINES

OAK PARK-CARPENTER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Oak Park-Carpenter Motto

Oak Park-Carpenter students are on time, on task, and on a mission.

Our mission is: **LEARNING!**

https://oakparkcarpenter.smsd.org/



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January 2022

Wednesday, January 5th

3rd Quarter Begins

Thursday, January 6th

2nd Quarter Grades Posted to Skyward

Thursday, January 13th

7:00pm, PTA Meeting

Monday, January 17th

NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Thursday, January 20th

5:00-7:00pm, Explore the Woods – 6th grade event at Indian Woods

Monday, January 24th thru Friday, January 28th KINDNESS WEEK



Please click https://www.smsd.org/about/departments/food-service/menus for Menus and Food Service Information



From the Office of the Principal

Welcome to the 2^{nd} semester.

We had a very successful and fun time learning in the first semester and have many activities planned for the rest of the year.

We are all very happy that assessment testing is completed, and we have made adjustments to students' individual learning plans with interventions starting this week.

It is very important that you read all information that comes home from school, especially email. This is our main form of communication, and it helps you to plan ahead for school activities. Every teacher has a class list in Skyward, and I have access to all family emails. We limit email as much as possible, so PLEASE read carefully and complete permission slips and activity sign ups to meet the timelines.

I had announced in a Skylert that we will be having volunteers in the buildings. That will not start right away; we are putting everyone's safety first. I will keep you posted.

Thank you for all your support and as always if you have questions about anything, please email or call me. I am happy to assist or explain.

Mrs. Morgan



COVID Vaccine Cards

As your children get COVID 19 vaccines, remember to email a picture of the vaccine card to me so it can be documented in the health record in Skyward.

COVID Protocols

- SMSD continues to follow the current guidance from the Johnson County Department of Health and Environment requiring a 10 day exclusion from school for students and staff who test positive for COVID-19
- Students who are fully vaccinated (2 weeks past receiving the 2nd dose of COVID vaccine) may continue to attend school after an exposure to a positive case IF THEY ARE SYMPTOM FREE
- Vaccinated individuals who develop symptoms of COVID-19 must receive a negative PCR test before attending school. The PCR test report must be emailed to me (<u>juliejohnson@smsd.org</u>) before your child may attend school
- Direct all questions about COVID and other illnesses to Nurse Johnson

Illness Exclusion Policies

Per the Johnson County Health Department - Persons with a case of **influenza** should stay home for <u>five days from the time the illness begins</u> or until the individual is fever free for 24 hours without the aid of fever reducing medications, **whichever is longer**.

To protect your child and to prevent illness from spreading, keep your child home if ANY of these contagious symptoms are present:

- Temperature of 100 degrees or higher
- Severe sore throat, headache, or cough
- Undiagnosed rash or skin lesions
- Diarrhea or vomiting
- Red or discharging eyes
- **Students must be free of fever, vomiting, or diarrhea – WITHOUT MEDICINE - for 24 hours before returning to school.

Illness Info

In addition to COVID-19, influenza season is upon us. Please remember – and remind your children of – the following steps to help prevent the spread of illness:

- Wash hands frequently and thoroughly scrub with soap for 20 seconds, long enough to sing the Happy Birthday song 2 times
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow or a tissue
- STAY HOME when you are sick to prevent the spread of viruses & bacteria. Follow the exclusion policies for influenza and other illnesses
- Get a flu vaccine
- Do not touch your eyes, nose, mouth throughout the day

Julie Johnson, BSN, RN 913.993.4102 juliejohnson@smsd.org

Calling all 2022-2023 Kindergartners

If you have a child, or know someone in your neighborhood, who will be 5 years old on or before August 31st, 2022, and live within the Oak Park-Carpenter Elementary School boundaries, please contact the OP-C office at 913-993-4100 or email monicaglenn@smsd.org. We are busy compiling our list for next year's Kindergartners.

Please provide the following information:

- Child's Name
- Child's Date of Birth
- Parents' Names
- Address
- Email Address
- Phone Number

Please mark your calendars with this important date:

Tuesday, April 12th - 6:00-7:30pm, Kindergarten Kick Off



Parents,

You do not have permission to come into the school or onto school property and take pictures of any child, except your own, unless it is used for our yearbook.

Please DO NOT Post or Share Pictures of Our Students on any Website or on ANY Social Media

REMINDER ABOUT ATTENDANCE REPORTING GUIDELINES

Parents, if your child is going to be late or absent, please call the 24/7 attendance hotline: the number is (913) 993-4188. Please try to do this by 8:30 a.m. the morning of the absence. Please note that the nurse does not do attendance or receive these messages. If you need to discuss a specific issue with her, first report the absence to the hotline, then call the nurse directly at (913) 993-4102. Alerting the teacher is appreciated, however we also require that you report the absence to the hotline. Thank you for your diligence in this matter. The safety and accountability for your children are of the utmost importance to us.

District Policy on Returned Checks

The district has a returned check policy that began June 1, 2007. All returned checks are processed by a collection agency and a \$30 fee is assessed for each returned item to cover the cost of these services. This is in addition to any charges assessed by your bank. Since the charge is being assessed by the agency for their service, the charge cannot be waived. You may want to ask your local bank about overdraft protection services.

A Request from the Office & Cashier-

Please make a note of your **child's name, grade level, and teacher** on ALL CHECKS BEING SENT TO THE SCHOOL. Thank you!

SKYWARD ONLINE VERIFICATION

Please complete your child's Skyward Online Verification. If you have not given permission for your child's photo release, they will not be able to appear in our yearbook. Please call the office at 913-993-4100 if you need any help with the Skyward Online Verification process. Thank you!



Two steps are now required to complete the MVP process:

1) Attend an in-person training-

Please visit https://www.smsd.org/families/volunteer-mvp

2) Visit Validity Screening to complete the online background screening process. This information will be provided at the training.

Thank you for completing the MVP process and volunteering at Oak Park-Carpenter!

MVP process must be completed before attending ANY field trip



Thank you, PTA, for your generous support of field trips!

This monetary support enables Oak Park-Carpenter students to experience enhancement of their education through visits to museums and living history sites, science and social studies programs, and live theater and musical performances. Without the PTA's support, many of these field trips would not be possible. **Thank you to all PTA members!**

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