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Principal's Message

Mr. Spinner's [Principal's Message](#)
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Student Parking Passes

For safety and security, students who will be driving to school will need to purchase a Berlin parking pass to display in their car.

Parking passes are available to purchase on PowerSchool in the parent portal. Students can bring a printed copy or picture of the receipt to Student Services to pick up the pass. Berlin has parking

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 23

Senior Parent Meeting 530pm

Curriculum Night 630-830pm

Sept 4

Labor Day- NO SCHOOL

Sept 18

spaces so parking passes can be purchased throughout the school year. Students must have their driver's license prior to purchasing a pass. Parking for students is in the front of the building.

Transportation Information

Olentangy Transportation experiences high call volumes at the beginning of each school year. For reduced phone wait times, please call the transportation office between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please check PowerSchool for bus assignments and route updates before calling. Accounts update every 24 hours and changes made today are reflected in the system the next day.

PowerSchool is Now Open

The [PowerSchool parent portal](#) is now open with 2023-2024 school year information including schedules, class assignments, bus information, as well as fee payment and lunch deposit procedures. Parents and guardians should **access and fill out all mandatory Back-to-School forms**, including important contact and emergency medical information, by August 31st.

Schedule Change Policy

Counselors have returned to the building after summer break. Counselors are working with our new families to the district and balancing classes, adjusting schedules, etc. As schedules come out, please review the schedule course change policy found in the

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Quick Links

[OBHS Website](#)

[Bell Schedule](#)

[OLSD Course Planning Guide](#) on page 6 and 7. Students may request a level change before school starts (e.g. they are in Biology and would like to challenge themselves with Honors Biology) by emailing or sending a message through Schoology to their counselor. However, no elective or class withdrawal changes will be accepted until after the school year starts. Students must stay in their class for 2 academic days (this does not count the first two days of the school year) and have until the second Friday of the school year to make any and all schedule change requests. **The Parent PowerSchool portal will open on Monday Aug. 21st for schedule change requests and will close Friday, Aug. 25th.** Please be flexible and patient with counselors during this busy time.

We have added a new counselor to the OBHS Student Services team. Please see the new alphabet breakdown for the 23-24 school year:

Dana Stearns A-Cr

Samantha Kigar Cs-Hn

Dana Yochum Ho-Me

Alexandria Nicolay Mg-Sc

Abigail Smith Sd-Z

Attention all 2024 Senior Parents! Counselors will hold a Senior Parent Mtg on 8/23 starting at 5:30 pm in OBHS Auditorium. Counselors will review the senior timeline, college admissions, financial aide, and just info for all senior parents. Please plan on

attending this meeting before OBHS Curriculum night. The PowerPoint used at the meeting will be posted on OBHS Student Services website for any parents who are unable to attend.

Locker Request Form

We do not have enough lockers for every student and most of our students do not choose to even use a locker, so we are assigning lockers this year only to students who request one. The form below will be sent out to all students and parents at the beginning of the year so they can fill it out and receive a locker assignment.

[Locker request form](#)

School Sponsored Ticketing Events

The Olentangy School District has two important updates for students and families purchasing tickets for athletic and other school-sponsored events, including cash payments and increased ticket prices for varsity sports. [Read more about these changes on our district website.](#)

Immunizations Requirements

Senior Class of 2024 (current Seniors)

Immunization requirement:

Required Meningococcal (MCV4) Immunization for **all** Seniors enrolled in OLSD whether DACC, CCP, or OASIS:

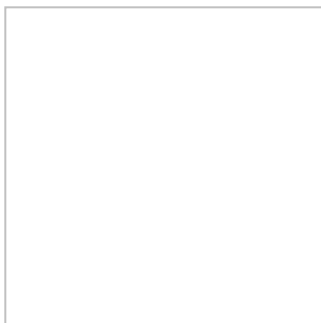
Ohio law mandates that all senior students have two doses of meningococcal (MCV4) immunization **prior to entering 12th grade**, unless parent or doctor would like to exempt the student from the vaccines. If the first dose was given on or after the student's 16th birthday, the second dose is not required before senior year.

Families please be aware; Meningococcal B does not meet this requirement.

Immunizations can be obtained at The Delaware Public Health District (www.delawarehealth.org or 740-203- 2040), your physician's office, or local pharmacy.

Students who have already had both meningococcal (MCV4) immunizations should submit their immunization record to their school clinic now. As a reminder, immunizations cannot be uploaded to PowerSchool or turned into Final Forms. Please call the school clinic if you have questions or if you want to know what is currently on file for your student. Olentangy Berlin High School fax # is 740-657-5948.

Link to [Immunization Requirements](#)



Berlin High School

Website: [Berlin Website](#)

Principal: Todd Spinner
@Todd_spinner

[Berlin Calendar](#)

Main Office Hours

7:05am-2:40pm

1-740-657-5900



Student Services

[Dana Stearns](#) (A-CR)

[Samantha Kigar](#) (CS-HN)

[Dana Yochum](#) (HO-ME)

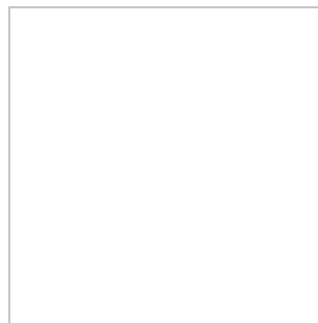
[Alexandria Nicolay](#) (MG-SE)

[Abigail Smith](#) (SD-Z)

Student Services Hours

7:05am-3:00pm

1-740-657-5919



Berlin Athletics

Website: [Athletic Website](#)

Athletic Director: John Betz
@BerlinBearsAD

Athletic Office Hours

7:05am-3:00pm

1-740-657-5911

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