



# FREDDY'S FOOTNOTES



A Newsletter from Onalaska High School

August 2022

## Highlights

### Important Dates

OHS 2022-23 Registration.....August 16  
Freshman Parent Night .....August 16  
New/Transfer Student Orientation .....August 25  
Freshman Link Orientation .....August 25  
1<sup>st</sup> Day of School .....September 1

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## 2022 -2023

## Student Fall Registration Tuesday, August 16

Tuesday, August 16 from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

The first day of classes is Thursday, September 1.

## PowerSchool Back-to-School Student Update

The School District of Onalaska is once again doing an online student data validation system update through PowerSchool. Powered by InfoSnap, this secure system allows the district to verify all student demographic, emergency and medical information for your child prior to the start of the new school year. The system will also allow you to electronically sign the annual permission forms for school district policies.

If you have not received instructions via email from the School District office by August 1, please contact the office for instructions and/or a paper copy if you do not have internet access.

This process will be open starting Tuesday, August 2. See page 4 for generic instructions. If you are still not able to figure out this process, please call the main office (608-783-4561) for assistance.

## Fall Sports starting dates

**Tuesday, August 2**  
**Football**

**Tuesday, August 9**  
**Girls Tennis**  
**Girls Swimming**

**Monday, August 8**  
**Girls Golf**

**Monday, August 15**  
**Boys Soccer**  
**Cross Country**  
**Girls Volleyball**

**Mandatory**  
**Parent/Athlete**  
**Preseason**  
**Information video**  
for **ALL** Fall  
Sports located on  
the main [Activity](#)  
[Page](#).

## Important Dates

Parent/Athlete Preseason Sports Meeting Video .....	posted on Athletic Webpage
2022-23 Registration .....	August 16 --- 8:30 AM – 7:00 PM
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Information Night .....	Tuesday, August 16 --- 6:30 PM in the PAC
LINK Leader Training .....	Wednesday, August 24 --- 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
LINK Freshmen Orientation .....	Thursday, August 25 --- 7:45 AM in the Fieldhouse
Transfer (New) Student Orientation .....	Thursday, August 25 --- 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM --- Hilltopper Room
Junior Parking Ballots Due .....	September 1 --- (Lottery Drawing will take place the first week of school)
1 <sup>st</sup> day of school .....	Thursday, September 1, 2022--- 7:45 AM
Last day to drop a class .....	Tuesday, September 8
Senior Student & Parent Night (Admissions & Financial Aid) .....	Monday, September 12
Homecoming Week .....	September 19 – 24
Picture Re-take Day .....	Monday, September 26 --- 7:45 – 11:00 AM
Practice ACT for ALL juniors in the morning/ Local College Tours in the afternoon .....	Tuesday, September 27
Senior Pictures/ Baby Ads Due .....	Friday, September 30
Early College Credit and Start College Now applications due .....	Friday, October 1
Junior PSAT (during school) .....	Wednesday, October 12
No School --- Professional Development .....	Friday, October 14
Parent Teacher Conferences .....	Wednesday, October 19 --- 3:30 PM – 7:30 PM
.....	Thursday, October 20 --- 12:30 PM – 7:30 PM
.....	Friday, October 21 --- 7:00 AM – 12:00 PM
UW System practice placement tests (resource) .....	November 2 – 3
National Honor Society Induction .....	November 7 --- 6:00 PM
Academic Awards Night .....	November 7 --- 6:30 PM



## Nurse Notes

The School District of Onalaska follows the Wisconsin Childhood Communicable Diseases table when determining if a child shall be excluded from school due to illness. If fever is 99.9°F/37.8°C or higher, please do **not** send your child to school. When symptoms of possible communicable diseases are present, a child may be excluded based on district RN determination (i.e.: fevers, vomiting, diarrhea, etc.)

## Parent Liaison Information

The role of Parent Liaison was created through the Wisconsin Statewide Parent-Educator Initiative (WSPEI) to aid in the support of families with children or adolescents who have special needs. The Parent Liaison for the Onalaska School District is:

Vicky Shanley  
214 15<sup>th</sup> Ave N, Onalaska  
608-317-0275

[vickyshanley@outlook.com](mailto:vickyshanley@outlook.com)

If you are the parent of a child with special needs, please contact Vicky if you have any questions about the special education process.

# Back to School Checklist

## What do I need for High School Registration? – Your registration checklist

- ☐ POWERSCHOOL BACK-TO-SCHOOL UPDATE & PERMISSION WAIVER --- This online process through your students' PowerSchool Parent Portal account should be updated prior to registration. Instructions mailed and emailed by the School District Office. Look for "Returning Student Enrollment" bottom left column. Step-by-step outline on page 4.
- ☐ GENERAL FEE – This **\$6.00 fee** is for all OHS students and should be paid online or at registration.
- ☐ STUDENT SCHEDULE – On Tuesday, August 16, student schedules will be handed out at registration. Come to school at your scheduled time for your ID picture, pay fees if you have not already done so online, pick up class schedule and student ID card.
- ☐ "340" REQUEST GOOGLE FORM -- **Juniors & Seniors – To be filled out after schedule is received.**  
The Wisconsin Act 340 allows juniors and seniors to apply each semester for a one-hour release from school during their study hall or commons period. Students must have permission from their parents to participate and must be approved by administration based on grades, attendance, behavior concerns and teacher recommendations. All Junior/Senior parents will receive a 340 **google form** in their **email** or can be found on our website at: <https://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/students/important-forms.cfm>  
Please complete this form if you wish to give permission for your child to have a 340.
- ☐ EMPIRE PHOTOGRAPHY--- Schedule a time to come in on **Tuesday, August 16** for student ID picture at [www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022](http://www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022). Multiple time slots are available every 15 minutes. You will be able to see your child's photo **BEFORE** you purchase. When signing up for a time slot, the software will request parent contact information to be used to send your child's proof for optional viewing/ordering. All students **must** have a **picture taken for ID** purposes even if they are not purchasing pictures. Seniors: Be aware that your ID picture will be used for news awards. See page 15.
- ☐ YEARBOOK INFORMATION PAMPHLET --- Do you want to purchase a 2022–2023 yearbook? All correspondences go directly through Jostens. **THE SCHOOL WILL NOT COLLECT ORDERS AND WE WILL NOT TAKE JOSTENS PAYMENTS FOR YEARBOOKS.** Follow the instructions to order provided on the Jostens pamphlet in our registration mailing. Order **online** or **call** the toll-free number (1-877-767-5217). See page 16-17 for more information.
- ☐ SENIOR PARKING PERMIT GOOGLE FORM --- **All** seniors will have the opportunity to purchase a permit at any time during the school year. If you do not need it right away, you can wait to purchase at a later date. Permits can be picked up in the main office any time prior to the start of school, 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM. <https://forms.gle/WbJLA3eQE1qW9caYA>  
The cost is \$40.00 and can be paid online at: <https://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/parents/payonline.cfm>
- ☐ JUNIOR PARKING PERMIT APPLICATION GOOGLE FORM – Juniors interested in the opportunity to possibly purchase a limited number of Junior parking permits, should complete this form to be registered for a lottery drawing. Please submit by the first day of school. <https://forms.gle/UsroC6CAGB79CFDh7>.

## PowerSchool Back-to-School Update

### Step-by-Step: Completing Online Registration

To access the online registration form, you will login to the Parent Portal.

<https://ona.powerschool.com/public/home.html>

**PowerSchool SIS**

Joseph Elizabeth Rebecca **Easley** Saylor

**Navigation**

- Grades and Attendance
- Missing Assignments
- Grade History
- Attendance History
- BrightArrow Messages
- Email Notification
- Teacher Comments
- Student Reports
- School Bulletin
- Class Registration
- My Schedule
- School Information
- Account Preferences
- Returning Student Enrollment**

**Grades and Attendance: Test, Easley Wren**

Grades and Attendance

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**Legend**

Attendance Codes: Blank=Present | ETD=Excused Tardy | TDY=Unexcused Tardy | UNLDS=Leadership | MED=Physician's Excuse | OSS=Out of School Suspension | PER=Per

Scroll to the bottom of the page and click Returning Student Enrollment near the bottom left.

A new window will open and you are brought to the InfoSnap returning student enrollment portal. The first time you login, they will ask you to check an agreement box. After that, you enter your student's date of birth and click Continue.

**Date of Birth Authentication**

In order to better protect your privacy, we ask that you provide some additional information.

Date of Birth for Easley

The date of birth must be in MM/DD/YYYY format.

**Continue**

Student name, DOB, address, phone and contact 1 & 2 names are pre-populated from PowerSchool. Parent/guardian address and phone as well as medical information will need to be entered by the person completing the form. All mandatory fields are marked "required". You will not be able to submit the form until all required fields are completed.

For parents with more than one student, after completing the first form, you will return to the parent portal - <https://ona.powerschool.com> - click the next student's name and then click Returning Student Enrollment again.

After entering the next child's date of birth, they'll have the option to import relevant information from the first form to save time or start from scratch.

**PowerSchool**

Sherlock Henry **Easley**

**Navigation**

- Grades and Attendance
- Grade History
- Attendance

**Click 'InfoSnap' registration form**

School fees can be paid online



## OHS Fees Due at Registration

### A. REQUIRED FEE FROM EVERYONE

General Fees.....\$6.00

### B. OPTIONAL

Chromebook Insurance.....\$25.00

This fee covers the cost of repairs or replacement of school issued Chromebook.

### C. OPTIONAL

Activity Card.....\$25.00

This fee covers the cost of admission to all home varsity sporting events, except for tournaments. Otherwise student admission is \$3.00 per game.

### D. OPTIONAL

Lunch Account..... Amount of your choice

This can be made out for any amount with which you would like to start your child's account. The money will be available to your child with their four-digit account code to be used for the regular lunch or a la carte line. *Regular lunch line is \$3.45 per day; an extra Entrée is \$2.65; an extra Milk \$.55. Breakfast is \$2.40 per day.*

If you are purchasing the optional Activity Card, please purchase by **Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>** to insure your students' card is printed by the start of school.



Online  
Payment



### Online payment is preferred



Make your payment online and bring a copy of the payment with you to registration. A separate registration line will be available for those students who are pre-paid.

The online student fee payment system is called [e-Funds for Schools](https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55003).  
<https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55003>



Once you are in the system, click on the payment tab "Pay Student Fees," to see your child's fees that are due.

During the registration process, the General Fee of \$6.00, Band and/or Choir fees and for seniors only the optional Senior Parking Permits are the only fees that will show as owed in e-Funds for your child. \*All other fees, such as Activity Cards, Athletic User Fees, and Senior Baby Ad, are listed under "Optional Fees." Click on Optional Fees in the left column. Be sure to add the fee to the cart for it to appear in payments. \*Some students may see course fees, which are not due until the middle of September. Since some students may decide to drop a fee course prior to the drop class deadline of Tuesday, September 8, those payments are not due until after that date.



Lunch money can be paid online through the [MyPaymentsPlus](https://www2.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome) system  
<https://www2.mypaymentsplus.com/welcome> (See page 25 for more details).  
Both online payment systems are accessible from the school district website at:  
<http://www.onalaskaschools.com/district/payonline.html>.

# Freshman Update

# Welcome, Class of 2026!

Dear Freshmen and Parents:

Welcome to the class of 2026! Soon you will be walking through the doors at 700 Hilltopper Drive to begin a journey that will offer opportunities of a lifetime. With so many questions or concerns associated with the changes taking place in your life, we want you to know our plans for this upcoming school year.

We are holding our school registration on Tuesday, August 16 from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM. Students will pay fees, get their schedules with locker and locker combination, and have a **picture ID taken**. Students are able to check out their lockers and walk around to familiarize themselves with the building. The designated Freshman/Parent Orientation meeting is not until 6:30 PM, but registration fees can be collected anytime during the 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM time frame. If for some reason you are unable to be at registration on August 17, you can come to the high school office any time **after** that date to pay fees and receive your schedule with locker assignment. The only thing you would not be able to do after the 17<sup>th</sup> is have the picture ID taken. Picture retakes will be Monday, September 26, 7:45-11:00 AM and the ID picture will have to be taken at that time.

## Jump Start to High School

Thursday, August 25, 2022

7:45 AM – 11:00 AM

The purpose of this Link Orientation is to make the transition from middle school to high school a positive one. Seniors and juniors will serve as leaders to the freshmen. Large and small group activities are designed to address students' needs and concerns in an enjoyable manner. Wear comfortable clothes and don't bring all your stuff...travel light. If you have any questions, please call Link Crew Coordinator: Sue Brewer Ext. 5339 or email at [bresu@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:bresu@onalaskaschools.com).

Plan to be engaged during the full time! OHS Students and staff have designed activities for the freshmen that will promptly start and end according to the schedule. Be sure to eat a good breakfast to get you through the morning.

## Onalaska High School

### Student Services

700 Hilltopper Place  
Onalaska WI 54650  
608-783-4571

## All School Registration

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Open 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM

OHS Commons

## Freshman & Parent Orientation Meeting

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

6:30 PM

OHS Performing Arts Center

## Picture Retakes

Monday, September 26, 2022

7:45 AM – 11:00 AM

OHS Performing Arts Center

Students will be called down alphabetically via PA system

**School Starts  
September 1st  
7:45 AM**

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## About Supplies....

Freshman parents often ask what school supplies are needed. Please find a list below for students in the core-subject areas.

**English** – folder, post it notes (2x2 or 3x3), and a highlighter

**Math** – folder, notebook or a binder with loose leaf paper as well as a calculator - the math department recommends a TI-30XIIS or similar model. If the student plans to eventually take Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus or AP Stats, a TI 83 or TI 84 is useful to provide access to a graphing calculator outside of class time. Some families choose to purchase the graphing calculator now while others wait until the more advanced coursework. NOTE - the more expensive graphing calculator is not needed for Algebra, Geometry, or Algebra II.

**Social Studies and Science** – folder, notebook, or a binder with loose leaf paper.

**PE** – The school does not issue uniforms for PE. Students will need to bring shorts, t-shirt and gym shoes from home.

**Principles of Leadership** – A 1-inch binder.

Students should also have an assortment of pens, pencils and dry-erase markers (2-3 - these are often used for individual white board learning activities). Some students have found it useful to purchase two 3-subject notebooks and use one notebook for morning classes and the other notebook for afternoon classes.

# SCHEDULE CHANGES

We have worked diligently to develop a schedule that meets the needs of ALL our students. We have utilized our student information system scheduling program and tried to resolve students schedule conflicts as much as possible. We have made every effort to control class sizes; however, it is important to know that many classes are at or even over capacity.

**Schedule corrections will be limited to only necessary situations.** With new students moving into the district, we need classes for them to be placed in. Therefore, we cannot make changes to accommodate 340s, having a class with friends, having a certain teacher, having classes certain times of the day, or simply preferring a different course.

Onalaska High School will continue to offer a quality education and are excited to welcome students to the 2022 - 2023 school year.

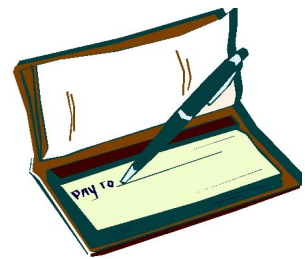


## *Separate Checks PLEASE!*

If online payments do not work for you, we ask that parents paying by check please make out separate checks to help alleviate any confusion with individual fees and/or lunch account money. This includes the general fee, activity card, a la carte lunch account, parking permit, band fee, show choir fee and athletic user fee.

Fees will be collected as usual by the commons during the registration process. A la carte lunch account monies and parking permit money will be taken at any time in the main office.

Thank you all for your cooperation.



## Food in the Classroom

Food and beverages (with the exception of water) cannot be consumed in the classrooms because of food allergens unless it is part of a teacher-approved class activity (Board Policy 3690).



*Page 18 in the Student Handbook*

**If you are interested in following what is happening in the School District of Onalaska, check us out on Facebook.**

***School District of Onalaska, WI Facebook Page***



## Building Entrance during the school day

All doors will be locked from 7:45 AM – 2:50 PM, and access to the building is limited to the main office entrance with the use of a buzzer system. Once permitted access into the building, visitors will enter through the main office, which is located at Entrance “A” off Wilson Street. If you are continuing into the building further than the main office, you will need to swipe your driver’s license for an approved printed visitor hall pass, using our Raptor Technologies visitor management system (see page 11 for more information).

Visitor parking spots are provided in the circle drive on Wilson Street, but space is limited. Please note that parking across the street **is** allowed for parents since the posted signs there read “No Student Parking.”

## Checking In and Out of School

Checking in and out of school for any reason must be through the main office. Students must have parent or guardian permission to leave school. This would be by either a note or phone call. When a note is brought to the office, a pass will be given with the time the student needs to leave. If a phone call is received, students are responsible to pick up a pass in the office prior to class starting. The office will NOT send a pass for an appointment that the child already knows about. Being responsible and taking care of his/her own schedule makes for less disruptions in class. If for some reason your child does not know about the appointment, the office will contact the class if necessary. Trying to keep classroom disruptions to a minimal helps make the learning process more successful.

Checking in to school is very simple. Students should always check into the office when they arrive. If the student is excused by either a note or phone call, an excused pass will be given. If the student arrives with no note or phone call, the student will report to class and be marked unverified until excused by parent/guardian. This absence, of course, can still be excused by a parent at a later time.

**Proper Procedure: Check In and Out of school through the MAIN OFFICE!**

## Dropping Something Off at School

We all have experienced the absent-minded day that may result with something needing to be dropped off at school for a student. The office is more than willing to hold whatever item is needed for pick up. Please be sure to have your child’s name listed somewhere on the item to insure that materials go to the proper person. Students will be expected to pick these items up between classes and will NOT be sent a note unless they do not know something is being dropped off for them. Again, this makes for fewer interruptions to the classroom.



Starting with the 2021-2022 school year, the School District of Onalaska started using an Online Visitor Management System called Raptor Technologies. This school safety system replaced our old pen and paper system and now allows visitors to check in safely just by swiping their driver's license. A picture ID sticker will print for the visitor and can be easily seen by all building staff and students.



We will be screening every visitor, including contractors, parents/guardians and volunteers. After an initial registration, visitors can then check in via self-service kiosk and will be able to easily scan as they exit and check out of the building.

The print badge will include the visitor's photo, name, date, time of entry, school building name and the visitor's destination within the school.

This system will generate an accurate, reliable district-wide and school-level report with complete sign-in/sign-out history on a daily basis, allowing us quick access to who is in the building in the event of an emergency.

# Attendance 101

## The Basics So All Children Can Be Successful

Wisconsin public schools abide by the same attendance laws (118.15). We know that attending school regularly is directly linked to academic and job success. In the event of an absence, the following is a breakdown of the three major categories and the codes we use in PowerSchool to distinguish them:

**PARENT EXCUSED**—this is when a parent/guardian calls or writes a note to excuse a student from school. Parents are permitted 10 parent choice days per school year. We determine the 10 days by counting the hours missed (i.e. Missing periods 1 and 2 does not count as an entire day). If a parent is getting close to using all 10 parent-excuse days, we will send a warning letter. Once all 10 parent days are exhausted, absences will be unexcused. Below is a list of the most common attendance codes when a parent excuses his/her child from class:

ILL=a parent feels his/her child is too ill to attend or stay in school

PER=for personal reasons a student is not in attendance (e.g. running late, out of town, visiting someone in the hospital)

VAC=vacation

FNL=a parent excuses his/her child for a funeral

COL=college visit (juniors and seniors are granted one college visit per year that the schools excuses and does not count toward parent-excuse time)

**MEDICAL**—this is when a student has visited a medical provider. Once written documentation of the visit is provided, the PER code is changed to one of the following and does not apply toward the 10 parent-choice days:

MED=student is ill and a physician indicates the day or range of days that he/she should stay home

APT=student went to dentist, orthodontist or chiropractor. Please bring an appointment slip to the main office with the day and time of the appointment

HOF=student went to our school health office and the nurse/health aide has determined that the student needs to lie down in the health office or go home (you will receive a call from the health office if your child is too ill to stay at school)

**\*\* If an absence can be excused, please call or provide a note within 48 hours of the absence.**

**UNEXCUSED**—this is when a student has been absent and the period(s)/day(s) have not been excused in any way. If this occurs, you will receive an automated call the day of the unverified absence.

UNV=unverified (unverified absences will change to either a parent or medical excused code or TRU if the absence cannot be cleared)

TRU=truant; absences that cannot be excused in any way because of skipping or no parent-excused days remain

“A student is considered truant if he/she is absent without an acceptable excuse for all or part of one or more days during which school is held. A student qualifies to be habitually truant when he/she is absent without an acceptable excuse for all or part of five or more days in a school semester” (Wisconsin State Statute 118.16). If students exceed the number of truant absences allowed by the state, truancy tickets will be referred to the school resource officer.

We want to work together to ensure accurate and consistent school attendance, and we will communicate with you and your child when attendance—excused or unexcused—is concerning. You also have daily access to attendance through PowerSchool. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Charlie Ihle, OHS Associate Principal, at 608.783.4561 x5003.



## Definition of Tardy and Determination of Absence

Attendance at the high school is taken by class period. At the high school level, a tardy is defined as missing any part of the beginning of a class period. If a student is tardy more than 15 minutes, he/she is considered absent. If a student accumulates more than 5 tardy notations in his/her attendance record during the semester, the school attendance officer or a designee will attempt to meet with the student. After 10 tardy notations a parent meeting (or attempt to hold a meeting) that involves the student's parent or guardian will be requested. Tardiness during the remainder of the semester that also involves an unexcused lack of the student's physical presence at school will be considered an instance of truancy under these procedures, but prior to such a meeting (or attempted meeting) such tardiness will not be considered truancy (Board Policy 3331).

### High School - Tardies Contributing to Truancy

Before and during school tardies can contribute to truancy at the high school level.

After 5 Unexcused Tardies/Semester	After 10 Unexcused Tardies/Semester	Each Successive Unexcused Tardy for Rest of Semester
Truancy Warning Letter	Issue <b>Truancy Warning Letter</b> – if <b>First Truancy Notice</b> (by personal contact, email, or phone call then by 1st class mail)  Parent/Guardian Meeting	Each successive unexcused tardy equals a truant period. See Table A for school and law enforcement action.



## Changes in Student Information

If you have any changes throughout the year in your child's information, please contact our Pupil Services office at 783-4610.

This information would include:

- address/phone number
- parent/guardian information
- emergency contacts
- health issues
- email address

### FAMILY SCHOOL LIAISON

In recognition of the importance in supporting the *whole* child (e.g. students' physical and mental health, their social and emotional learning along with their academic growth), the School District of Onalaska has a Family School Liaison position. My name is Jenni Moris and as the Family School Liaison for the School District of Onalaska, my role is to partner with families in effort to support overall student success. Services may include collaboration, consultation, home visits, and/or information and referral to community resources and agencies. If you are interested in learning more about community resources to assist with student or family needs (e.g., food, housing, healthcare, human services, clothing, etc.), feel free to contact me.

Jenni Moris, Family School Liaison, School District of Onalaska, 608-779-1959.

## Daily Time Schedules

### Regular Schedule – Monday/Tuesday/Friday

1st hour 7:45 - 8:30

2nd hour 8:34 – 9:19

3rd hour 9:23 – 10:10

4th hour 10:14 – 10:59

Lunch A – 11:02–11:32

5<sup>th</sup> – 11:03 – 11:48

5<sup>th</sup> – 11:03 – 11:48

5<sup>th</sup> Hour – 11:36 – 12:21

Lunch B – 11:51 – 12:21

6<sup>th</sup> – 11:52 – 12:37

6<sup>th</sup> Hour – 12:25 – 1:10

6<sup>th</sup> Hour – 12:25 – 1:10

Lunch C – 12:40 – 1:10

7th hour 1:14 – 2:00

8th hour 2:04 - 2:50

### Extended Learning Schedule – Wednesday/Thursday

1 / 2 7:45 – 9:05

Resource 9:09 – 9:49

3 / 4 9:53 – 11:15

5 / 6 Lunch A 11:15 – 11:45

Class 11:19 – 11:49

Class 11:19 – 12:39

Class 11:49 – 1:09

Lunch B 11:49 – 12:19

Lunch C 12:39 – 1:09

Class 12:23 – 1:09

7 / 8 1:13 – 2:32

Homeroom 2:36 – 2:50

- On Wednesday students will attend periods 1 – Resource – 3 – 5 – 7 – Homeroom
- On Thursday students will attend periods 2 – Resource – 4 – 6 – 8 – Homeroom

# SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

## ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL



Picture ID's are  
required for everyone

Tuesday, August 16, 2022  
8:30 AM – 7 PM  
Onalaska High School Fieldhouse

Picture Retake Day -  
September 26



### 1. SIGN UP FOR PICTURE DAY

Please sign your child(ren) up to have their school photo taken. Multiple time slots are available every 15 minutes, and they may fill up quickly – so sign up today! Siblings from the same school can attend the same time slot and do NOT need to sign up separately.

**SIGN UP:** [www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022](http://www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022)

Please Note: When signing up for a time slot, the software will request parent contact information. This information will be used when sending the proof of your child's photo to you after picture day for viewing/ordering. You will be able to unsubscribe at any time.



### 2. YOUR CHILD ATTENDS PICTURE DAY

There is no need to bring anything to picture day except your smile! 😊

Picture day will be paperless and 100% contact-free. The photo taken will be used for the yearbook as well as your child's ID card.



### 3. VIEW YOUR CHILD'S PRIVATE ONLINE GALLERY

Within a few days of picture day, you will receive an email from Empire Photography containing a link to your child's private, PIN-protected online photo gallery. If you do not receive an email, please check your spam folder and contact Empire Photo if you need assistance. You may also receive a paper proof in the mail in the weeks after picture day.



### 4. COMPLETE YOUR PHOTO PURCHASE ONLINE

There is no obligation to order. If you do decide to order, you can complete your purchase for photo print and specialty products online (or via the mail if you prefer to order with the paper proof). All photo orders will be mailed directly home to the address provided during checkout and will be shipped within 2-5 business days. *It's that easy!*

**No Order Forms necessary.** Purchase only if you choose to **after** you receive the proof.

#### QUESTIONS?

Email: [customerservice@empirephotos.com](mailto:customerservice@empirephotos.com)

Phone: (608) 257-2941

Hours: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM, M-F

**Everyone** is required to get a picture **Student ID** taken.

Please be sure to get your picture taken on Tuesday, August 16 or picture retake day Monday, September 26, even if you are not purchasing pictures.

There is **no cost** for a Picture ID card.

Sign up for your picture time slot at:

[www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022](http://www.empirephotos.com/onalaskahigh2022)

Thank YOU!



## Yearbook Information

A yearbook information sheet was mailed out with the Back-to-School mailing for the 2022–2023 school year. Be sure to read carefully and follow the correct procedures. Also, please complete the google form below to insure that you do not miss out on ordering opportunities and promotions.

**Order Information Pamphlet** (Sent in the back to school mailing)

This pamphlet gives you ordering options and details. Just remember, **THE SCHOOL WILL NOT COLLECT ACTUAL ORDERS AND WE WILL NOT TAKE JOSTENS PAYMENTS FOR YEARBOOKS.** Order [online](#) or call the toll-free number (1-877-767-5217) to order.

**Jostens Yearbook Stay in the Know Google Form**

This form, used only by Jostens, gives them permission to contact you with ordering information. You will be place on an email list for updates, promotions and reminders of yearbook deadline dates.

Simply click [here](#) and fill out the form. **NOTE:** This form is **NOT an order form**.





**ORDER YOUR 2022-23  
YEARBOOK**  
REMEMBER THE YEAR FOREVER.



# AKSALANO YEARBOOK

View the JOSTENS yearbook information pamphlet mailed with the back-to-school registration letter. Follow the easy instructions, to purchase your full color 2022-23 AKSALANO yearbook. The book will be approximately 144 pages with a 32-page spring supplement.

Ordering a yearbook is completely through Jostens itself. **THE SCHOOL WILL NOT COLLECT ORDERS AND WE WILL NOT TAKE JOSTENS PAYMENTS FOR YEARBOOKS.**

Order **online** at [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com) or **call** the toll-free number at (1-877-767-5217).

If you need to set up a **payment plan** for the yearbook, Jostens has a 3 easy payment plan. Just call the toll-free number (1-877-767-5217) or order [online](http://jostensyearbooks.com) at [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com). Be sure you are selecting Onalaska, Wisconsin. We have had people accidentally order for Onalaska, Washington. ☺

Order by September 16, 2022, to get the best yearbook sale price of **\$62.00** and up to four free icons with a purchase of one line of personalization.

Don't let your student miss out on a year's worth of memories. Remember it forever with a yearbook.



**ORDER YOURS TODAY**

[jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com) | 1-877-767-5217

*Jostens*

## TOP REASONS TO ORDER 2022-2023 ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK!

- ☒ Printed pics of all the things.
- ☒ Your future self will thank you.
- ☒ Pay in 3 easy payments.\*
- ☒ Signing day is the best day.
- ☒ SO. MANY. MEMORIES.
- ☒ It's the lowest price of the year.

Yearbook	\$62.00
Signature Package <i>Includes: Yearbook, Personalization, Color Autograph Section, Autograph Pens</i>	\$79.00
Personalization	\$8.50
Icons	FREE!
Autograph Section	\$5.00
Photo Pockets	\$5.00
Clear Protective Cover	\$5.00
Donate a Yearbook	\$62.00

## Attention Class of 2023 - make your senior picture appointments now!

A reminder from the yearbook staff and area photographers:

La Crosse/Onalaska area photography studios request that you make your appointment NOW to get your picture taken this summer.

Dates are already being booked and filled for photographers.

The Yearbook's deadline for submission of senior graduation photos is Friday, September 30, and area photographers need the time to process your photos for you to be able to make your print selection. September 30 is also the deadline for yearbook Baby Ads (see how to submit an ad below).



## Class of 2023 Senior Baby Ad

The yearbook staff would like to invite you to place a Student Recognition Ad (better known as "[Baby Ad](#)") in the 2022-23 Aksalano yearbook. Submit a favorite infant or toddler photo of your senior son or daughter, and include a personal message of love, support and encouragement. Submit form by clicking [here](#).

The message should be no longer than 40 words, and the cost is \$40.00. Payments can be made online at <http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/about/yearbook.cfm>.

Photos can be sent through the Jostens image share site ([images.jostens.com](http://images.jostens.com) - ID 08s\_XfqOQ3kzrgOufUSJ6g), emailed to Travis Johnson at [johtr@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:johtr@onalaskaschools.com) (jpeg format, 300 dpi) or mailed to (Onalaska High School, ATTN: Yearbook, 700 Hilltopper Drive, Onalaska, WI 54650). If you mail the photo and would like the picture returned to you, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your submission. Pictures will be returned to parents in the spring if self-addressed envelope is provided.

In order for us to meet our deadline with Jostens, we must receive your photo, message and payment no later than Friday, September 30. Late submissions cannot be accepted. September 30 is also the day senior portrait photos must be submitted to the yearbook staff.

Any questions should be directed to Travis Johnson, Onalaska High School Yearbook Advisor, at [johtr@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:johtr@onalaskaschools.com).

Thank you,  
The Aksalano Yearbook Staff





## ONALAKSA HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK

### COMMUNITY PHOTO SUBMISSION

# Get your pictures in the yearbook.

The yearbook staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them.

Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. We know that we are going to create an awesome yearbook for our whole school community to enjoy now and for years to come.

We need **YOUR** help to do that. The yearbook team can't be everywhere, so we need you to help us get as many photos as possible, so **EVERYONE** can be included in making the 2022-2023 yearbook a true community effort.

## SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS ONLINE

**CLICK HERE TO UPLOAD NOW:**

[https://images.jostens.com/08s\\_XfqOQ3kzrgOufFUSJ6g](https://images.jostens.com/08s_XfqOQ3kzrgOufFUSJ6g)

OR

LOG ON TO: [images.jostens.com](https://images.jostens.com) Enter Login ID: **08s\_XfqOQ3kzrgOufFUSJ6g**

- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload, click on "Select My Images."
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Upload Chosen Images."

**The last day to submit your photos is:**



The yearbook staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions will be used.

**Don't forget to buy your yearbook today at [jostensyearbooks.com](https://jostensyearbooks.com)**

*Jostens*

## Student Parking

The City of Onalaska has instituted a parking ordinance that calls for no student parking during school hours on 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Green Bay Street, Johnson Drive, and Wilson Street.

Students failing to comply with the ordinance will be assessed a \$20.00 fine from the Onalaska Police Department. Students without permits are strongly urged to park on Oak Forest Drive to avoid being subject to any fines.

As a means to ensure traffic safety in and around the High School, the Onalaska Police Department will also be strictly enforcing parking violations on streets located in the High School area. This includes the State Park Trail parking lot, where fines are \$150-\$200.

**Senior Parking Permits will be sold to All interested Seniors.**

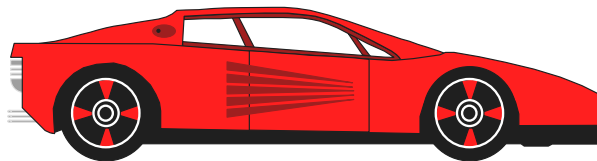
Drivers should be made aware of the following restrictions:

Parking is prohibited:

- \* within 4 feet of the entrance to an alley or a private road or driveway;
- \* within 10 feet of a fire hydrant, unless a greater distance is indicated by an official traffic sign;
- \* closer than 15 feet to the near limits of a crosswalk.
- \* upon any portion of a highway where and at the time when parking is prohibited, limited or restricted by official traffic signs.

Senior parking permits will be available for ALL seniors wanting a parking permit any time prior to the start of school in the main office at a cost of \$40.00. [Senior Parking google Form](#) required with car information.

Juniors may fill out a parking application [online google form](#) before school starts for a lottery chance at getting a Junior parking permit. The drawing process will begin after we determine senior spots. Please have your completed request filled out by the first day of school to be considered for the lottery. No payment will be accepted until after the drawing.



## **Please Note:**

Onalaska School district reserves the right to deny parking privileges for disciplinary matters related to parking permit violations.

Student parking permits are subject to non-refundable suspension or revocation because of attendance and/or behavior.

Permits are non-transferable. Students may not give or sell their permits to other students. If this occurs, it will result in a parking citation and a loss of the parking privileges.



# OHS PARKING LOT

## PERMIT PARKING ONLY!

If you will be switching cars with your parents for the day, please be sure to transfer the tag to the car you are using to avoid getting a ticket. The Onalaska Police Department will issue tickets to all cars



The parking area along the football field is based on senior parking permits sold.

Seniors may park here when no other spaces are available in the senior lot.

Juniors who are allowed to park here will be told personally by the Associate Principal.

Those parked here without permission will be ticketed.

**Senior Parking** is located at the back of the building and a section directly behind the staff parking on the East side of the Fieldhouse. See the designated red area above.

**Junior Parking** is located at the back of the parking lot (end of the football field) attached to Rowe Park.

See the designated area circled. Use only the Parking Lot, DO NOT park in Rowe Park.

**NOTE:** Students vehicles on school grounds are subject to search by school officials when there is a suspicion of alcohol, drugs, weapons, stolen materials,

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## Calendar Key

- No School
- Early Dismissal
- First & Last Day of School
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- End of Quarter

## 2022-2023 School Calendar School District of Onalaska



### Start and End

Sept 1	First Day of School Gr 1-12
Sept 2	First Day of School K
Sept 6	First Day of School 4K
June 6	Last Day of School

### No School

Aug 16-18	New Teacher Orientation
Aug 22-25	Staff Development
Sept 5	Labor Day
Oct 14	Professional Development
Oct 19	Conferences - 4K no school
Oct 21	No School
Nov 23-25	Thanksgiving Break
Dec 23-Jan 2	Winter Break
Jan 16	Professional Development
Feb 10	Professional Development
Mar 8	Conferences - 4K no school
Mar 10	No School
Apr 5-10	Spring Break
Apr 28	Professional Development
May 29	Memorial Day

### Early Dismissal

Oct 20	Early Dismissal
Jan 13	Early Dismissal
Mar 9	Early Dismissal
June 6	Early Dismissal

### Family Conferences

Oct 19-20	All schools
Mar 8-9	All schools
*Times will vary per school and will be communicated to families	

### End of Semester/Quarter

Nov 4	End of 1st Quarter
Jan 13	End of 1st Semester/2nd Quarter
Mar 24	End of 3rd Quarter
June 6	End of 2nd Semester/4th Quarter

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## Early Dismissal Times

HS 11:50	MS 11:55
IP 12:20	NH 12:20
EB 12:25/12:35	



## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

Regular Board of Education meetings are generally held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office, 237 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave S, as follows:

September 12, 2022  
 September 26, 2022  
 September 26, 2022  
 October 10, 2022  
 October 24, 2022  
 November 14, 2022  
 November 28, 2022  
 December 12, 2022  
 January 9, 2023

January 23, 2023  
 February 13, 2023  
 February 27, 2023  
 March 13, 2023  
 March 27, 2023  
 April 17, 2023  
 April 24, 2023  
 April 24, 2023



### **Local Florists Told Not to Send LATEX Balloon Bouquets to OHS**

Onalaska High School cannot accept arrangements delivered which contain any latex balloons. Some students at OHS have latex allergies and exposure to the balloons could cause serious or potentially life-threatening allergic reactions. Florists were asked to substitute mylar balloons or provide arrangements without balloons. If you have questions, please contact OHS or the school district nurses at 783-4610.

### **Asbestos Notification**

In compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), this is notice that the School District of Onalaska has an Asbestos Management Plan at the school district office. The plan is available for inspection by the public, parents, and district employees. The district performs six-month periodic surveillance of asbestos in June and December and full re-inspections every three years. For more information, please contact the district office.



## School District of Onalaska

237 2nd Avenue South, Onalaska WI 54650  
608.781.9700 www.onalaskaschools.com

July 20, 2022

Dear School District of Onalaska Family:

We will continue to require pre-registration for all school busing to establish eligibility for ridership in 2022-23.

1. **All children riding School District of Onalaska buses are required to have a Bus Agreement on file every year.** This form is on the District website (go to onalaskaschools.com and click on the small school bus icon at the top of the screen). This Agreement is required to qualify for ridership, and must be updated if there are changes to your child's transportation needs throughout the school year. This Agreement will begin the process of determining eligibility for busing. Once you fill out the Bus Agreement you'll get an email back confirming the submission. *Please contact the Transportation office if you cannot complete the Bus Agreement online.*
2. **Eligibility.** All forms will be reviewed for ridership eligibility; you will be notified before the start of school if your child is eligible to ride, with route numbers and times. **Please review the eligibility guidelines for Open Enrolled, and Boundary Waived students, and students living less than two miles from their school as this is the criteria we use for bus ridership. This information can be found on the Transportation page of the District website.**
3. **Deadline.** The deadline for Bus Agreements is **July 30, 2022.** Any Agreements received after August 1, 2022 will delay routing. We cannot guarantee route notifications before school for parents who do not register by August 1. The exceptions to this are pending additional enrollments and address changes.
4. **Bus Badges.** If your child(ren) have their bus badges from last year please use them. All new Bus Badges will be printed without photos. What are the benefits?
  - a. This will get you your child(ren)'s Badges much faster as we won't have to wait until photos are taken and processed.
  - b. Some families requested new photos on badges and we needed to make new Badges with reprints, adding additional costs.
  - c. Students are to use their Badge throughout their time in the District; by not printing the school name the Badge can be used as your child(ren) moves from school to school - including summer school.
  - d. High School students can use their Student ID cards instead of a new Bus Badge. The barcode used on the bus is the same as the barcode on their ID
5. **Students with Smart Phones** can access their Bus Badge (barcode) on their phones after installing Here Comes the Bus and registering within the app.
6. **We will mail all badges to families at each students' primary residence on file in PowerSchool.** This will be the fastest and most reliable way to make sure that parents are getting the Badge(s) and can review Bus rules along with expectations of Badge use before the school year begins. A lanyard will not be mailed. The Elementary and Middle School offices will have lanyards available if you need one.
7. **Bus Stop Optimization.** Our goal is to provide safe and efficient travel to and from school. We continue to evaluate the best stops along all routes; please note there may be adjustments to the stops that we used in the past.

Please visit the District's Transportation website periodically for updates, bus rules and procedures, and the Bus Agreement. If you have any concerns or questions please call myself or Shelli Kult at 783-5489.

Sincerely,  
Dan Dahlquist  
Director Facilities & Transportation

### Board of Education

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705 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Onalaska, WI 54650  
608-783-6251



## INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACCOUNTS –

Your payments are deposited into individual student accounts, and this account is used for a la carte purchases only this school year.

LUNCH PRICES	2022 – 2023	BREAKFAST PRICES	
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	\$3.25	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	\$2.05
MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$3.30	MIDDLE SCHOOL	\$2.25
HIGH SCHOOL	\$3.45	HIGH SCHOOL	\$2.40
ADULTS / GUESTS	\$4.85*	ADULTS/GUESTS	\$3.30*
REDUCED	.40¢	REDUCED	.30¢
Single carton of milk	\$0.55	Second entrée	\$2.65

\*If a student purchases an extra lunch/breakfast, the second lunch/breakfast is at the adult rate because no government subsidy applies.

## IMPORTANT:

Our online program only allows one category for your child's lunch account. **All accounts will consist of ONLY a Cafeteria account.** Within the online payment system, you will be able to set parameters for a la carte use, if you want limited access. **Be aware that without set parameters, your child will have full access to purchase as they choose.** Go to [mypaymentsplus.com](http://mypaymentsplus.com) to set ala carte spending limits.

## PAYING INTO INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACCOUNTS

- **ONLINE** – the online payment system **MyPaymentsPlus.com (Free to Onalaska Parents)** that allows payments from your checking account or credit card. You will need your student's ID#. You may call 783-6251 for this information.
- **CHECK OR CASH** – Please write your student's account number on your check, or write it on a slip of paper to send with your cash. You may send the money to any school, and it will be applied to the account you specify.

## CHARGES TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENT ACCOUNTS

After your student goes through the food service line and either fills a tray or takes a carton of milk to have with a sack lunch, the student gives his/her name to the cashier and punches his/her 4-digit meal code number into the keypad at the checkout station. The student's name and picture will flash onto a computer screen. After the cashier verifies that the correct student is being served, the system deducts the correct charge from the student's account. *(Cashiers assist students with their meal code numbers until the students learn them. The system preserves confidentiality of those eligible for free and reduced priced meals.)* Cash or four-digit lunch number may also be used for a la carte purchases at the middle and high schools.

**Milk break cost for Kindergarten thru 5th is \$60.00 per semester and \$120.00 for the year. Pre-K is \$45.00 per semester or \$90.00 per year (4 days a week).**

**This is for Elementary only.**

**Parents are expected to maintain accounts in a positive status.**

# DRESS CODE

August 2022

To Parents and/or Guardians of Onalaska High School Students:

We hope this summer has provided a chance for your family to spend time together and participate in the many activities in the Coulee Region. However, the 2021-2022 school year is quickly approaching. In light of the new school year, we want to take this opportunity to share our dress code to allow ample time for families to prepare prior to back-to-school shopping.

Our dress code includes specific language to better articulate our expectations for student dress. Students are expected to dress appropriately for school and the code detailed below relates to health, safety, cleanliness, and/or decency. We recognize that some fashions are appropriate for social settings but are not appropriate for a learning environment.

The Onalaska High School Dress Code is listed below and will be in your student handbook. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Charlie Ihle  
Associate Principal

The Onalaska High School Dress Code as it appears in the 2022 - 2023 student handbook

## **STUDENT DRESS EXPECTATIONS:**

These guidelines are intended to define appropriate student attire and that align to school place readiness.

Clothing items that are considered unacceptable to wear to school include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Clothing that does not provide adequate coverage, including garments that expose undergarments, buttocks and/or chest area.
- Apparel that makes written or graphic reference to the following topics is strictly prohibited: alcohol, drugs, tobacco, violence, weapons, nudity, profanity, discrimination, vulgarity or gangs. This includes phrases of dual meaning.
- Hats, bandanas, hoods or similar head coverings are not to be worn in school unless it is for a religious, medical, mental health reason, or otherwise approved by administration.
- Shoes must be worn at all times in the building and on school grounds.

Onalaska High School Administration will use discretion to make decisions regarding the appropriateness of each student's dress and possible consequences for violation of the above policy. Repeated violations of dress code rules will result in disciplinary actions.

Students may be required to change into appropriate clothing. If students do not have extra clothing to wear, the school will offer a change of clothes, in order to avoid being sent home. With staff, student, and/or family support regarding the use of good sense for appropriate attire for school, all attempts to resolve issues will be made to avoid missing learning opportunities.

## Onalaska High School Teaching Staff For 2022-2023 School Year

### Art

Angie Hendrikson  
Sam Servais

### Business/Marketing

Bridgett Hubbard  
Jonathan Jansky  
Travis Johnson  
Christopher Sullivan

### English

John Froh  
Karen Hellman  
Jonathan Idárraga  
Celine Lamont  
Cassie Michaels  
John Reimler  
Megan Ulrich  
Andrea Vogler

### Family & Consumer Education

Susan Brewer

### Student Services

Christine DeLong  
John Horman  
Rikki Kazda  
Garrett Silker

### World Language

Andrew Beckstrom  
Victoria Carter  
Valerie Mumm-Jensen  
Devin Pettys  
Brian Wopat

### LMC

Bruce O'Connell

### Math

Melissa Anderson  
Aaron Arneson  
Thomas Cowley  
Jesse Fredrick  
Erin Lucas  
Jay Pica  
Sarah Stetter  
Eric Wojta

### Music

Robbie Coe  
Linda Lebakken  
Chris Meunier  
Richard Moses  
Jennifer Saner

### Resource

Dean Bloch  
Shelby Buchanan  
Krissa Byom  
Robby Carson  
Mesa Heit  
David Kazda  
Brittany LaMere  
Kevin Lee  
Sarah Ormes  
Erin Siegel  
Dawn Weaver  
Christa Weber  
Saeng Yang

### PE/Health

Lyle Blum  
Trevor Kramolis  
Erin Needham  
Jena Oeltjen  
Tom Yashinsky

### O.A.S.I.S. Coordinator

Darwin Greschner

### Science

Daniel Eng  
Tony Ferries  
Sara Hernandez  
Dave Horman  
Zoe Simon  
Megan Sprague  
Kristin Tschumper

### Social Studies

Marjorie Anderson  
Adam Archer  
Andrew Beckstrom  
Darwin Greschner  
Elizabeth Nicolai  
Luke Sauerman  
Darin Shepardson  
Zak Wallenfang

### Technology Education

Ben Heiser  
Joseph Shilts

## Military Recruiters Access to Student Directory Data

Districts receiving federal education funds are required to notify parents of secondary school students

1. that a secondary school student or the parent of the student may request that the student's name, address and telephone listing not be released to military recruiters or institutions of higher education without prior written parental consent; and
2. that the district must comply with such request.

School districts receiving federal education funds are required to provide, on request made by military recruiters or an institution of higher education, access to secondary school students' names, addresses and telephone listings unless access to such information has been restricted by the secondary school student or the student's parents as outlined above. Federal guidelines issued to implement this requirement state that if a school district does not designate student names, addresses and/or telephone listings as directory data it must still provide all three items to military recruiters and institutions of higher education upon request.

## Staff Voice Mail Extensions and E-mail Addresses

Teacher	Voice Mail	E-mail		Teacher	Voice Mail	E-mail
Anderson, Marjorie	5326	andma	To call a specific teacher dial 779-5760 and then the voice mail extension given.	Lebakken, Linda	4213	lebli
Anderson, Melissa	5104	andme		Lucas, Erin	5102	lucer
Archer, Adam	5321	arcad	To e-mail, type the teachers five letter e-mail and @onalaska schools. com	Lee, Kevin	5126	leeke
Arneson, Aaron	5107	arnaa		Meunier, Chris	5349	meuch
Beckstrom, Andrew	5615	becan		Michaels, Cassie	5309	micca
Bloch, Dean	5515	blode		Moses, Richard	5350	mosri
Blum, Lyle	5227	bluly		Mumm-Jensen, Valerie	5305	mumva
Brewer, Susan	5339	bresu		Needham, Erin	5206	neer
Buchanan, Shelby	5335	bucsh		Nicolai, Elizabeth	5320	nicel
Byom, Krissa	5428	byokr		O'Connell, Bruce	5315	ocobr
Carson, Robby	5338	carcu		Oeltjen, Jena	5206	oelje
Carter, Victoria	5310	carvi		Ormes, Sarah	5129	ormsa
Coe, Robbie	5351	coero		Pettys, Devin	5128	petde
Cowley, Thomas	5103	cowth		Pica, Jay	5110	picja
DeLong, Chrissy	5030	delch		Reimler, John	5313	reijo
Eng, Daniel	5117	engda		Saner, Jennifer	5449	sanje
Ferries, Tony	5120	ferda2		Sauerman, Luke	5322	saulu
Fredrick, Jesse	5101	freje		Servais, Sam	5353	sersa
Froh, John	5311	frojo		Shepardson, Darin	5324	sheda
Greschner, Darwin	5121	greda		Shilts, Joseph	5340	shijo
Heiser, Ben	5443	heibe		Siegel, Erin	5109	sieer
Heit, Mesa	5229	heime		Silker, Garrett	5032	silga
Hellman, Karen	5307	helka		Simon, Zoe	5119	simzo
Hendrikson, Angie	5354	henan		Sprague, Megan	5314	sprme
Hernandez, Sara	5114	hersa		Stetter, Sarah	5108	stesa2
Horman, David	5116	horda		Sullivan, Christopher	5125	sulch
Horman, John	5031	horjo		Tschumper, Kristin	5113	tsckr
Hubbard, Bridgett	5122	hubbr		Ulrich, Megan	5303	ulrme
Idárraga, Jonathan	5312	idajo		Vogler, Andrea	5308	vogan
Jansky, Jonathan	5123	janjo		Wallenfang, Zak	5323	walza
Johnson, Travis	5124	johtr		Weaver, Dawn	5218	weada
Kazda, David	5535	kazda		Weber, Christa	5635	webch
Kazda, Rikki	5035	kazri		Wojta, Eric	5104	wojer
Kramolis, Trevor	5327	kratr		Wopat, Brian	5127	wopbr
LaMere, Brittany	5118	lambr		Yang, Saeng	5106	yansa
Lamont, Celine	5306	lamce		Yashinsky, Tom	5325	yasth

## FCC Emergency Broadband Benefit Announced

The Emergency Broadband Benefit will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for **eligible households** and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

For more information please see FCC webpage at <https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit>



## ***Video Cameras in School***

### **Board Policy 4164 – Electronic Surveillance of Public Areas of School Buildings**

Surveillance cameras are installed on school property, and video surveillance shall be used to promote the order, safety, and security of students, staff, visitors, and property.

When cameras are used, signs will be posted stating “NOTICE: This facility employs video surveillance equipment for security purposes. This equipment may or may not be monitored at any time.” Cameras are authorized for use in the following areas where public, students, and staff have no reasonable expectation of privacy such as entrances, hallways, commons, gymnasiums, parking lots, athletic fields, and the exterior of buildings. Under no circumstances will video cameras be used in any area where the public, students, or staff have a reasonable expectation of privacy, including restrooms, locker rooms, and health rooms.

Only individuals authorized by the superintendent or building administrator may view surveillance recordings. Should surveillance recordings become part of a student disciplinary action, they become part of that student's record and shall be dealt with in a manner consistent with the district's student records policy and procedures. The District reserves the right to provide copies of recordings to law enforcement agencies as deemed appropriate by the district administrator and in compliance with appropriate federal and state laws.

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## ***Video Cameras on School Buses***

### **Board Policy 4327 – Use of Video/Audio Recording Systems on School Buses**

The School District of Onalaska approves the use of video/audio recording systems on the school buses to enhance safety and provide a record of student behavior.

Parents will be notified once a year via the student handbook and the school newsletter or the school's newspaper that video/audio recording systems are being used on the buses. A sign will be placed in front of each bus stating that video cameras are used on that bus.

The transportation director, transportation contractor's bus manager, and the district's administrators shall be authorized to view the record for the purpose of documenting a problem. Administrators from the private schools whose students ride the District's routes are also authorized to view the record if students from a private school are involved in a problem. Disciplinary action may be taken with students or drivers based on a video/audio documentation.

The records shall not be available for viewing by the public in general, employees in general, media, or other individuals. The principals, district administrator or transportation director may authorize parents or other individuals, such as school counselor, school psychologist, nurse, teacher or social worker, to view segments of a specific record if viewing the record is beneficial to their role in assisting the student.

A log shall be kept of the dates and names of all individuals viewing the record. These recordings are not public record and do not need to be saved or archived. If the transportation director or administrators decide that a recorded segment may involve the violation of a law, the appropriate legal authorities may view the segment.



# National Honor Society 2022 - 23



This fall a Faculty Committee will discuss NHS eligibility for juniors and seniors. Students interested in applying for NHS may use the following criteria to enhance their summer experiences, putting them in a better position for acceptance into NHS in the fall. *In addition, obtaining adult signatures verifying your hours of service work and leadership opportunities will save you time in the future.*

**The NHS adviser will mail letters home in the late summer for juniors/seniors who qualify academically. Students who wish to apply will then receive an application to complete and submit.**

The Faculty Committee will evaluate the following areas:

1. **Scholarship** – 3.5 cumulative GPA
  - ☐ No classes weighted more than others
2. **Leadership** – Must have TWO documented leadership experiences.
  - ☐ Demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities
  - ☐ Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals
  - ☐ Demonstrates academic initiative
  - ☐ Holds school offices or positions of responsibility
  - ☐ Demonstrates reliability and dependability
  - ☐ Leader in the classroom, at work, in other school or community activities
3. **Service** – Must have 20 documented hours of service while in high school. Better defined as actions undertaken by student which are done with or on behalf of others without any direct financial or material compensation
  - ☐ Volunteers and provides dependable and well-organized assistance
  - ☐ Works well with others
  - ☐ Cheerfully and enthusiastically provides service to others
  - ☐ Assists teachers, students, visitors

Please email me with any questions. JJ Jansky, NHS Adviser, [janjo@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:janjo@onalaskaschools.com).

# ONALASKA SCHOOLS FOOD PANTRY

## 2022 - 23



The Onalaska Schools Food pantry is open to families with children in any Onalaska school (public, private, or home school) who need supplemental food staples.

Distributions are held on the **first *school* Monday of each month** throughout the school year at:

**Irving Pertzsch Elementary School  
Door I (access through the parking lot)**

**4:00 - 5:15 PM**

Monthly updates and reminders will be posted on the Onalaska Schools Food Pantry Facebook page.

There is also information on the District website.

### Distribution Dates

- September 12
- October 3
- November 7
- December 5
- January 9
- February 6
- March 6
- April 3
- May 1
- June 5







## MEDICATION DISPOSAL OPTIONS

For  
La Crosse  
County

If you are unable to get your medications to the local police department, here is a way that you may dispose of in the household trash.

- Mix medicines (do NOT crush tablets or capsules) with an unpalatable substance such as kitty litter or used coffee grounds.
- Place the mixture in a container such as a sealed plastic bag; and
- Throw the container in your household trash.
- Before throwing out your empty pill bottles or other empty medicine packaging, remember to scratch out all information on the prescription label to make it unreadable.

**Household Hazardous  
Materials Drop-Off Site Hours**  
**No Appointment Needed**

*Household users only.*  
**Tuesday - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**  
**Wednesday - 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**  
**Thursday - Noon - 4:00 PM**  
**1st & 3rd Saturdays - 9:00 AM - Noon**  
**No businesses during walk-in hours**



### La Crosse County Permanent Medication Drop Boxes

**\*PILLS AND PATCHES ONLY!**

#### La Crosse County Sheriff's Department

333 Vine Street, La Crosse, WI  
Phone: (608)785-9629  
Box Location: Room 1500  
Open hours: Mon. - Fri. Call for times.

#### La Crosse Police Department

400 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI  
Phone: (608)789-7240  
Box Location: Lobby  
Open Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8:30 - 5:00 pm

#### Holmen Police Department

415 Main Street S., Holmen, WI  
Phone: (608)526-4212  
Box Location: Lobby Entry  
Open hours: Mon. - Fri. Call for times.

#### West Salem Police Department

175 S. Leonard Street, West Salem, WI  
Phone: (608)781-0407  
Box Location: Lobby  
Open hours: Mon. - Fri. Call for times.

#### Onalaska Police Department

415 Main Street, Onalaska, WI  
Phone: (608)781-9550  
Box Location: Lobby  
Open hours: Mon. - Fri. Call for times.

#### Bangor Police Department

100 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Bangor, WI  
Phone: (608)486-4276  
Box Location: Municipal Office Lobby  
Open hours: Hours vary, call ahead.

#### Campbell Police Department

2219 Bainbridge Street, La Crosse, WI  
Phone: (608)783-1050  
Box Location: Lobby  
Open hours: Mon. - Fri. Call for times.

La Crosse County is still accepting  
certain unwanted pharmaceutical and  
over-the-counter medications at:  
**La Crosse County Hazardous**

**Materials Facility**

6502 State Road 16  
(between Onalaska and West  
Salem).

Medications must be in their **original  
containers**. You can cover over or  
cross out personal information,  
however the name of the medication  
must be visible.





## Onalaska High School Student Services

700 Hilltopper Place  
Onalaska, WI 54650  
Phone: 608.783.4571  
Fax: 608.783.2604

### Summer Office Hours:

Week Days: 7:00 am - 3:00 pm

Reach the Student Service Administrative  
Assistants at: Barb Nelson – Ext. 5029  
Melissa de Boer – Ext. 5034

## Your High School Student Services Staff

**Garrett Silker - Ext. 5032**  
[silga@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:silga@onalaskaschools.com)

*Serves students with last names beginning with A – Hr*

**Chrissy DeLong - Ext. 5030**  
[delch@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:delch@onalaskaschools.com)

*Serves students with last names beginning with Hs – Ra*

**John Horman - Ext. 5031**  
[horjo@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:horjo@onalaskaschools.com)

*Serves students with last names beginning with Rb– Z*

### Administrative Assistants

Barb Nelson – [nelba@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:nelba@onalaskaschools.com)

Melissa de Boer– [debme@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:debme@onalaskaschools.com)

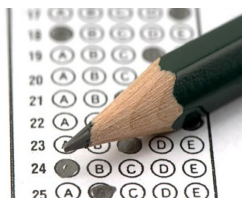
## **CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE...**

<http://www.onalaskaschools.com/ohs/student-services.html>



## Statewide Junior ACT Day for 2023

All OHS Juniors test on March 7,  
2023 next year!



## **Upcoming ACT Dates and Deadlines**

Test Date	Register By	Late Registration (Additional Fee)
June 11, 2022	May 6	May 20
July 16, 2022	June 17	June 24
September 10, 2022	August 5	August 19
October 22, 2022	September 16	September 30
December 10, 2022	November 4	November 11
February 11, 2023	January 6	January 20
April 15, 2023	March 10	March 24
June 10, 2023	May 5	May 19
July 15, 2023	June 16	June 23

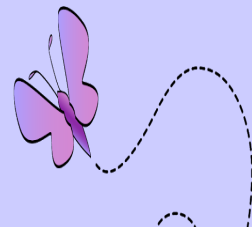
## **Looking for a SUMMER JOB?**

Check out the Job Board for Students on the OHS Website – it's always changing!

<https://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/students/job-board-for-current-students.cfm>

## Important Dates

August 16	OHS Registration 8:30 am - 7:00 pm
August 25	New and Transfer Student Orientation 9:30-11:30 am
September 1	First Day of School
September 8	Last Day to Drop a Class
September 12	Senior Student & Parent Night/Financial Aid Overview 6:15 pm, OHS PAC
September 19-23	Homecoming Week
September 27	Junior Practice ACT
October 1	Early College Credit and Start College Now applications due
October 12	Junior PSAT (during school)
October 20	Junior STAR Conference Kick-Off Meeting - 6:30 pm, OHS PAC
Oct 24-Dec 16	Junior STAR Conferences
October 25	ASVAB (during school)
November 2-3	UW System Pre-Tests during Resource
November 7	Academic Awards Night 6:30 pm, OHS PAC



## SCHOLARSHIPS for SENIORS

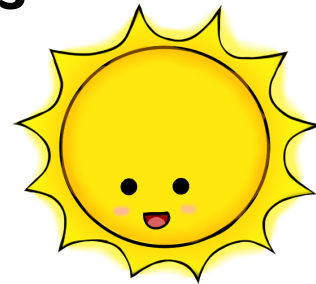
Check out our on-line scholarship database:

<http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/students/scholarships.cfm>

This is your site for upcoming scholarship deadlines and information needed to be a successful scholarship recipient. Continue to check this database, as it is updated frequently.

## Summer Counselor Hours

While the Student Services office is open weekdays during the summer, counselor staff will be available on a limited basis during the summer months. Counselors will be in their offices and available for appointments on the dates below. Students and parents can see any of our counselors for help during the summer. Counselors will be in the office for Registration on August 16, but not taking appointments.



### Mr. Silker

Wednesday, August 3  
Tuesday, August 30  
Wednesday, August 31

### Mrs. DeLong

Thursday, August 11  
Thursday, August 18  
Friday, August 19  
Wednesday, August 31

### Mr. Horman

Wednesday, August 10  
Wednesday, August 17  
Monday, August 29  
Tuesday, August 30

Call Student Services at 783-4571 or email Mrs. de Boer ([debme@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:debme@onalaskaschools.com)) or Mrs. Nelson ([nelba@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:nelba@onalaskaschools.com)) to schedule an appointment with your counselor for any of the days listed above.

## Looking for a Job? Check out the OHS Jobs Board

### Students:

Check out the Job Opportunities on the OHS website. Opportunities change, so check it often!

<https://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/students/job-board-for-current-students.cfm>

### Parents & Employers:

Please submit childcare or employment opportunities you have to the Student Services Office for posting. You can reach us at 608-783-4571 or by email at [debme@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:debme@onalaskaschools.com).

### WORK PERMITS

Remember that students **under age 16** will need a work permit. Once you've been hired, bring your hiring paperwork, note from a parent giving permission to hold a job, birth certificate (or copy of it), social security card (or copy of it), and \$10 permit fee to the Student Services Office to obtain your permit. In the summer months, give us a call at 608-783-4571 to make sure the office is open before you come in for your permit.

## ACT Updates

The University of Wisconsin System has suspended the ACT requirement for all UW colleges and universities **for the class of 2022, 2023, and 2024**. Many other colleges have also waived the ACT requirement for the class of 2022. Students will choose if they wish to include their ACT scores as part of their application. Visit the websites of your colleges for more information.

## College Bound Student Athletes

Students who plan to compete in D1 or D2 athletics in college must register with the NCAA in order for you to be eligible to compete prior to enrollment this fall.

1. Log into his or her account at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
2. Follow the directions on the page to register for the clearinghouse

If you have questions, please contact Mr. Wojta in room 105, or call 783-4571 Ext. 5105.

# UGETCONNECTED

UNITED IN *Service* / UNIVERSITY of WISCONSIN LA CROSSE / VITERBO UNIVERSITY / Western Technical College



**UGETCONNECTED!** - Many opportunities to participate in community service as a family, with friends, or by yourself. This organization matches volunteers with organizations in need. Visit <https://www.uggetconnected.org/> and check it out!

**[www.uggetconnected.org](http://www.uggetconnected.org)**

## **Seniors, Class of 2023 - It's Time to Schedule Campus Visits:**

Many colleges are now offering in-person visits as well as virtual visits. Go to your college's website for more information. Now is the time to visit campuses (technical, 2 or 4 year) and get a feel for which school "fits" for you! While it's important to meet with admissions counselors and take the official campus tour, it's also helpful to take your own personal tour. Check out the places they don't show you, talk to a student in the student union about what they like about the school, as well as what they do not like about the school. Pick up a campus newspaper to see what's important to students and soak in the environment. If you don't feel like the school is a good fit, it may be a difficult place for you to find success. Refer to your STAR Conference materials for more helpful tour information.

### **Prepare to Apply to College Soon!**

Seniors are encouraged to begin preparing to apply to colleges and universities, as they will be opening their admissions process soon. Students should begin to gather materials such as lists of activities, involvements, community service and recognitions, and letters of recommendation (if necessary) to make completing applications easier. It should be simple to find the application to your college on their website.

Regardless of the kind of school students plan on attending, it is very important to apply early. Technical college programs, especially, fill quickly on a first come first serve basis. Our goal is for ALL seniors going on to postsecondary education to have applications turned in and processed by Thanksgiving!

### **Application Process:**

Once a student has completed their application, he or she should:

1. Request a transcript in person in OHS Student Services or fill out [this form](#).
2. Include letters of recommendation, **IF necessary**. (Most schools do **NOT** require letters of recommendation.)
3. Include check for application fee unless paid online (no cash please).
4. **IF required**, bring completed application or counselor sheet from application to Student Services.
5. Applications completed using online programs like the Common Application or Send Edu will request a High School counselor's email address. Transcripts for these applications are sent directly to colleges using these programs and do not require students to make transcript requests in person.
6. Counselors will complete requested information, and all application materials will be mailed out in a timely manner.

## **Early College Credit & Start College Now**

Applications due Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

### ***Applications due Saturday, October 1st (Please turn in by Friday, September 30)***

Students at OHS have several unique opportunities they can take advantage of typically during their junior or senior years. The Early College Credit Program (ECCP) for private and public 4 year colleges and Start College Now (SCN) for technical college offers students an opportunity to take college courses at Western, Viterbo or UW-L at no cost to them or their families. A student must have exhausted all course offerings in a content area and meet the college's admissions criteria in order to be approved for these programs. Students should contact OHS Student Services for more information and be sure to turn in an application before October 1st. **NO LATE APPLICATIONS CAN BE ACCEPTED!**



## ***Student & Parent Senior Year Planning Night***

*Monday, September 12 – OHS PAC*

*6:15 PM Session 1 - Post-Secondary Planning*

*7:15 PM Session 2 - Paying for College*

Student Services will host a **2-part senior student & parent night** on 2 different important topics for the senior year.

**The first session** will discuss post-secondary planning including: options for after high school, the college selection and application process. This session will include specific information on how to effectively complete college applications and request transcripts and additional materials required for admission.

**The second session** will focus on paying for college. Presenters will include our Senior Class Advisor, Bridget Hubbard, and a financial aid expert. This session will briefly cover the OHS scholarship process, followed by a longer presentation on the Federal Financial Aid process (FAFSA). The FAFSA will be available to students and families starting on October 1, 2022.

It is not required for students to complete the FAFSA in October. Some families may choose to begin the federal financial aid process early, to assist in the college decision making process. Most financial aid offices will continue to recommend completing the FAFSA process in January to maximize students' chances at federal financial aid for college. Contact your college of interest for their FAFSA priority deadline. Both students and parents are welcome to attend **one or both of these sessions!**

On September 9 and October 3, counselors will meet with all seniors in social studies classes to discuss this content as well.



## PSAT

Wednesday, October 12

8:00 AM

Cost = \$18.00

The PSAT (Pre-SAT) will be offered on October 12 at Onalaska High School. Juniors with very high PSAT scores may qualify for the National Merit Scholarship (for all students) and National Achievement (for Black American students) competitions. Students may also wish to take the PSAT as a way to assess their college readiness and practice for future college admissions tests. We encourage students with strong standardized test-taking skills, or those who are looking to prepare for future tests, to take advantage of this opportunity. Interested students should sign up with Mrs. de Boer in the Student Services Office. Space is limited, and filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

## Eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch?

Any student who has participated in, or has younger siblings who have participated in the free or reduced lunch program should reapply each year, **even if they do not eat in the school cafeteria.** Many opportunities are available to students participating in this program such as fee waivers for tests, like the ACT, and scholarship/grant programs. OHS Counselors often confidentially inform students of these opportunities, but only know who is eligible based on this program.

Applications for the School District of Onalaska's Free and Reduced Lunch Program are available in the main office or online. Names of students participating in this program are kept confidential.

## 2021-2022 Assessments at OHS

The following is a schedule of assessments that will be given to each grade level at no cost to the student and families.

Freshmen	* Required Pre ACT	March 28
Sophomores	* Required Forward Exam (Social Studies) * Required Pre ACT	March 22-23 April 18
Juniors	* Practice ACT * Required State-wide ACT	September 27 March 7
Junior/Senior	Optional Tests * UW System Early Math & English Placement Practice Tests * PSAT (Pre SAT for Juniors)	October 2-3 October 12

## **Freshmen Student/Parent Meeting (Class of 2026)**

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 6:30 pm

OHS Performing Arts Center (PAC)

Freshmen students and parents are invited to attend an information night to prepare for entering high school. Administrators, Counselors and LINK Leaders will explain the student daily schedules and answer any questions you have. Junior and Senior LINK Leaders will offer advice for incoming freshmen, and lead building tours.

Registration at OHS will be on Tuesday, August 16 from 8:30 am-7:00 pm in the OHS Commons. At Registration, students can pick up their schedules, pay school fees, and have their school pictures/IDs taken. Freshmen students and parents planning to attend the parent night on August 16 are asked to arrive between 5:30 and 6:00 pm to be sure to have enough time to complete the registration process and attend the program.



## **New/Transfer & International Student Orientation**

Thursday, August 25

9:30-11:30 AM

OHS Hilltopper Room

Non-Freshman – Transfer Students

Students who are transferring to Onalaska High School (including International Students) are encouraged to attend an orientation to OHS in the Hilltopper Room on August 25. Students will learn about how to read their schedules, understand procedures, and get a tour of the building to learn where their classes are.

Freshmen transfer students are encouraged to attend the Freshman LINK Crew orientation from 8:00 – 11:30 AM on August 25 in the OHS Fieldhouse. We look forward to meeting our newest additions to OHS!

## **Opportunities for Juniors (class of 2024):**

All OHS Juniors

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

Morning – Practice ACT

Afternoon – Local college tours

FREE!

### **Morning:**

All juniors will take a FREE practice ACT test. This retired ACT test will be administered, timed and scored identically to an actual ACT. ACT will score this test, and provide students with sub scores, a composite score and most importantly an itemized list of correct answers compared to the student answers. Results will be shared with students in October.

### **Afternoon:**

All juniors will be attending a campus tour. Juniors will have the opportunity to tour a technical college (Western Technical College), a 4-year public university (UW-La Crosse), or a 4-year private university (Viterbo University). Although students may not plan to attend these specific post-secondary institutions, they will receive helpful information on the process and various aspects of post-secondary education.

The campus visit is a crucial part of the post-secondary decision process. It is a time to ask questions, and obtain an overall perspective of the college's atmosphere. Visiting colleges will provide a better understanding of which college is the right choice. Students should be prepared to ask questions about:

- Academic expectations
- Popular academic programs
- Technology on campus
- Cost of attendance
- Financial Aid
- Scholarship opportunities
- Housing or dorm arrangements
- Campus food
- Extracurricular activities
- Sports
- Clubs/student organizations
- College social life

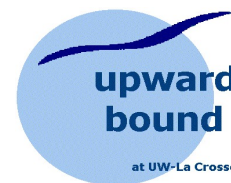
Now is the time for juniors to begin to narrow down post-secondary options and opportunities. A campus tour is a great way to motivate students in considering options that will ultimately guide the direction of their careers. The campus tour will provide a start in considering their post-secondary options! Permission slips for this event will be sent electronically to junior parents early in September. Assignments to colleges will be made first come first served – based on completed permission slips.



## Upward Bound Available to OHS Students

UW La Crosse provides a unique and FREE opportunity for our students to prepare for higher education. Upward Bound provides tutoring, college visits, advising and a summer program to assist students in college preparation. Students participating in the summer program can earn one high school credit from the experience.

Upward Bound works with students who have parents who have not graduated from a 4-year college or are income eligible. Details are available at the UB office at 608-785-8539, on their website at [www.uwlax.edu/upward-bound/](http://www.uwlax.edu/upward-bound/) or on Facebook (Upward Bound @ UW-La Crosse). Start your application online at [www.uwlax.edu/upward-bound/](http://www.uwlax.edu/upward-bound/).



## Children's Mental and Behavioral Health Resource



The [Children's Mental and Behavioral Health Resource Navigator](#) is a free, confidential, online tool designed to help parents, caregivers, and professionals navigate mental and behavioral health services and support for children ages 0 to 21. For more details, click [here](#).

## Register to Retake the ACT

If you are interested in retaking the ACT, please register at ACT.org.

The following are tips to help students complete the registration process:

- Students go to ACT.org to create an account, register and pay for the ACT test
- To "Create a New Account" answer the following questions this way:
  - Answer NO to "Have you registered for the ACT before?"
  - Answer YES to "Have you tested before?"
- Find your ACT ID# on the top of your ACT score sheet
- Plan to register at least a month in advance of the test date to avoid late fees!
- Decide if you want to take the writing test or not. Most schools do NOT require the writing test. Remember, all juniors will take the writing test at OHS in the spring.
- Give yourself at least 45 minutes to complete the registration
- Decide which 4 colleges/universities you want FREE score reports sent to. It's better and easier to do this now to avoid extra steps later.
- Be prepared to upload a clear headshot photo to the website. Students without a picture are NOT allowed to test!
- Fee waivers are available for students who qualify - see your school counselor if you need one.
- Print your admission ticket, and keep it somewhere safe – you will need it to be admitted to your testing room.

## Coping with Back-to-School Anxiety for High-Schoolers

From familyeducation.com

Am I good enough to make the team this year? Am I smart enough to take AP Biology? Those seniors seem so much older than me! Each year of high school brings new concerns for your teen. Follow our suggestions on how to help ease those worries.

### Where Do I Fit In?

Your teen is most worried about belonging -- finding a group of like-minded peers who will accept him and call him their friend. These safe havens come in many forms: sports teams, clubs, extracurricular activities, and friendship circles.

As you might recall from your own high-school days, every student body is fractured into distinct cliques -- jocks, geeks, nerds, goths, preps -- and while the labels may change with the times, the pressure to fit in seems eternal. Encourage your child to follow extracurricular activities based on his own interests, curiosities, and abilities, not on whether a certain pursuit will grant him automatic acceptance to a clique.

### How Do I Look?

What kids wear and how they look is very important in high school, and even in middle school. Certain fashions and brand-name clothing become the uniforms for particular groups. Hairstyles (and colors), makeup, body piercings, and tattoos also give kids both an individual and group identity.

There's considerable pressure on girls to emphasize their sexuality in the way they present themselves and communicate. For boys, achieving average height and a sufficiently developed physique by the mid-teens is often equated with their masculinity.

Particularly for mothers and daughters, sarcastic or critical remarks about a girl's appearance is shaming, harmful, and puts an unnecessary strain on a relationship that may be stressed already. If it's tempting to comment on your daughter's outfit or hairstyle, try pulling back -- and pulling out some of your own high-school pictures instead. Besides giving you both a good laugh, you can use these photos to start a discussion on how you both coped with anxieties about your appearance. Pictures can be a vivid reminder that Mom also struggled with these same issues.

### Am I Smart Enough?

A nervous freshman once told me, "Everything starts to count freshman year. From here on in, if you goof up at all, no colleges will want you." This abiding panic can continue until the end of junior year, when kids believe their futures will have been decided. For many, college acceptances dictate whether they have any future at all.

Academic competition heats up in high school; coursework gets measurably tougher, homework gets much longer, teachers don't spoon-feed kids. The challenge is "Are you smart enough to handle all this, on your own?"

Remind your teen that college acceptances are based on many factors. Kids who challenge themselves with difficult courses and do well are considered better candidates than students who receive higher grades but take the easiest classes. Freshmen grades are not considered as relevant as grades in later years.

Assure him that his study and test-taking skills will improve. Encourage him to come to you if he begins to become confused or overwhelmed about any of his schoolwork.

Keep up with the specifics of his coursework and homework. Don't wait for his first term's grades to find out how he's doing academically. Tell him that you will do whatever it takes to help him succeed, including finding him a tutor if necessary.

## EXPLORING™

DISCOVER YOUR FUTURE

RSVP to any of the Open House Events using the QR Code  
or learn more at [www.GatewayExploring.org](http://www.GatewayExploring.org)



### Law Enforcement Exploring!

**Law Enforcement Open House:**  
Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm

**La Crosse Police Department**  
400 La Crosse Street, La Crosse, WI



### Engineering Exploring!

**Engineering Open House:**  
Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

**La Crosse County Landfill Office**  
3200 Berlin Dr, La Crosse, WI



### Aviation Exploring!

**Aviation Open House:**  
Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 4pm

**La Crosse Regional Airport**  
2850 Airport Dr, La Crosse, WI



### Fire / EMS Exploring!

**Fire/EMS Open House:**  
Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

**West Salem Fire Dept.**  
100 South Mill St., West Salem, WI





**0 EXPECTATIONS 0**  
**OF ONALASKA**  
**STUDENT ATHLETES**

1. YOU ARE TOUGH
2. NO DRAMA...PERIOD
3. COMMITTED TO THE TASK  
Find a Way, Take Care of your People
4. ABOVE THE LINE DECISION  
MAKING 24-7-365
5. DO NOT BE A FENCE RIDER  
Decide and Move on



**Onalaska Hilltopper Athletic Booster Club**

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“Like” the Onalaska Booster Club Facebook page to get events and other information.  
Follow Mr. Thiry @OnaActivities on Twitter for updates and results for Hilltopper Athletics.  
Please subscribe to the Onalaska Booster Club YouTube Page for Home Event Streaming.

The Onalaska Booster club has a new website -[Onalaska - Team Home Onalaska Hilltoppers Sports](http://Onalaska - Team Home Onalaska Hilltoppers Sports)

Check it out - [onalaskahilltoppers.net](http://onalaskahilltoppers.net)

- \*Sport schedules - continuously updated
- \*Link to join the Booster Club
- \*Link to become a sponsor
- \*Link to sign up your athlete for the upcoming season

Click the link to sign up now to get text updates for schedules & upcoming events:  
<https://alerts.getvnn.com/>

Looking forward to a great 2022-2023 school year supporting our student athletes!

## Students registering for athletics

must have a **current physical examination** on file in the athletic office **before the student is authorized to participate in practice/tryouts**. If your students' physical is outdated and you are struggling to make an appointment with your regular physician other options include:

**Bronston Chiropractic** - 1202 CTH PH Suite 100 - Onalaska 608-781-2225

OR **Neighborhood Family Clinics** -

La Crosse - 1526 Rose Street - 608-781-9880 or

Onalaska - N5560 CTH ZM - 608-779-5323





## Sports Physical Card?

Physical Examinations - Athletes, cheerleaders and dance team may not practice for or participate in interscholastic athletics until the school has registration on file attesting to:

- Completion of online registration and parent acknowledgement.
- Current physical examination by a licensed physician or Advanced Practice Prescriber (APNP).

-Examinations performed after April 1 of the current year are good for the following two school years. A physical form signed by the physician is required for eligibility.

Example – A student who received a physical examination on April 1, 2021, and turned in a physical form signed by the attending physician or APNP, would be covered for the 2021-2022 school year. That same physical would cover the 2022-2023 school year also.

-Examinations performed before April 1 of the current year are good for the remainder of that school year and the following school year.

Example – A student who received a physical examination on March 31, 2021 and turned in a physical form signed by the attending physician or APNP, would be covered for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. That same physical would cover the 2021-2022 school year.

- Acknowledgment that the SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ONALASKA DOES NOT PROVIDE ACCIDENT, MEDICAL, OR DENTAL INSURANCE FOR STUDENT ATHLETES.

## Concussion Information

As of July 1, 2012 Wisconsin's State Statute regarding concussions was put into effect. Below is basic information as to what the state statute states and what needs to take place prior to each sport season.

"At the beginning of a season for a youth athletic activity, the person operating the youth athletic activity shall distribute a concussion and head injury information sheet to each person who will be coaching that youth athletic activity and to each person who wishes to participate in that youth athletic activity. No person may participate in a youth athletic activity unless the person returns the information sheet signed by the person and, if he or she is under the age of 19, by his or her parent or guardian." This information sheet is part of your online registration materials.

Every other year, students will need to complete a concussion test, provided through our school trainer.

## Important Fall Sports Dates



### Mandatory Parent/Athlete Meetings:

[Parent/Athlete Preseason Video](#) can be viewed online on the main activity page.

Individual sports coach meeting schedules can be found by clicking "OHS Fall Sports" and selecting the desired sport page.

### Starting Dates:

**Football:** August 2, 2022

**Girls Golf:** August 8, 2022

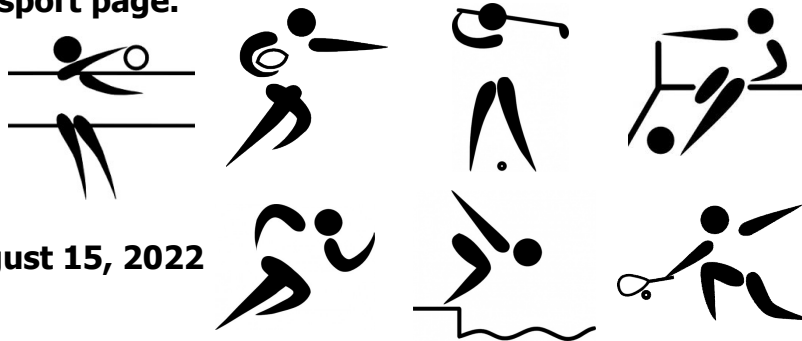
**Girls Swimming:** August 9, 2022

**Girls Tennis:** August 9, 2022

**Boys and Girls Cross Country:** August 15, 2022

**Boys Soccer:** August 15, 2022

**Volleyball:** August 15, 2022





<http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/activities/>



**ONALASKA  
HIGH SCHOOL**

Activities & Athletics Home

## ***All Athletic Registration is online!***

**All necessary forms for Athletic Registration are online. You will need to know your student's ID number to register.**

**The only paper form that can be handed in to the Athletic Office is the physical form. This completed form can also be uploaded to your online registration page. If your student athlete's last physical was before April 1, 2021, they will need a new physical exam this year to be eligible to participate in a sport.**

**To access the online registration page, go to our school website at <http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/schools/high/activities/> .**

**Participation Fees are now available to pay through eFunds at <https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/55003> .**

**A short video that demonstrates the online registration process can also be found on our high school activities main page.**

**Fees need to be paid prior to the first competition.**

***Thank you  
OHS Activity/Athletic Office***



## **ONALASKA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC USER FEES**

**\$45.00 – (\$6.75)**

Cross Country  
Swimming  
Tennis  
Track & Field

**\$100.00 – (\$15.00)**

Dance  
Golf  
Gymnastics

**\$75.00 – (\$11.25)**

Baseball  
Basketball  
Football  
Ski & Snowboard  
Soccer  
Softball  
Volleyball  
Wrestling

**\$200.00 – (\$30.00)**

Winter Guard

**\$250.00 – (\$37.50)**

Hockey



\*Students whose families submit the proper federal forms and qualify for free or reduced lunch under existing federal guidelines will have the option to have athletic fees waived/reduced.

\*Families with students in multiple athletic programs will be responsible for a maximum family fee of \$350.00 per year.

\*Participation fees are to be paid prior to the first competition.

\*Refunds of athletic user fees will be considered if a student/athlete voluntarily terminates or is terminated from an athletic activity prior to the third competition in that sport.

\*All school owned athletic equipment **MUST** be returned before any refunds will be considered. All school owned athletic equipment must be returned at the end of the season or cost of equipment will be added to the student's school account.

### **Admission Charges for Athletic Events:**

**Adults - \$5.00**

**Students (K-12) and Senior Citizens - \$3.00 (62 or Older)**

**School Year Sport Passes – Adults \$65.00 / Students (K-12) \$25.00**

Good for all OHS home events - **except** post season tournament events



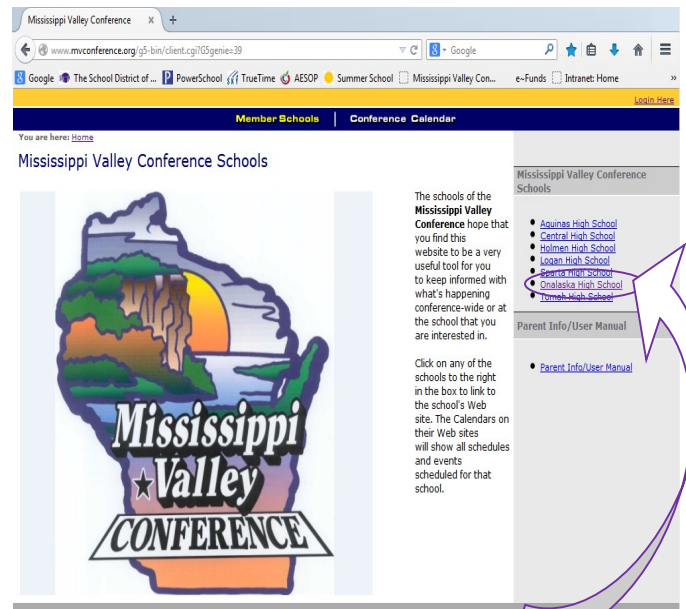
## Calendar of Events

To view the most updated schedules for any Mississippi Valley Conference team, use the MVC website at:

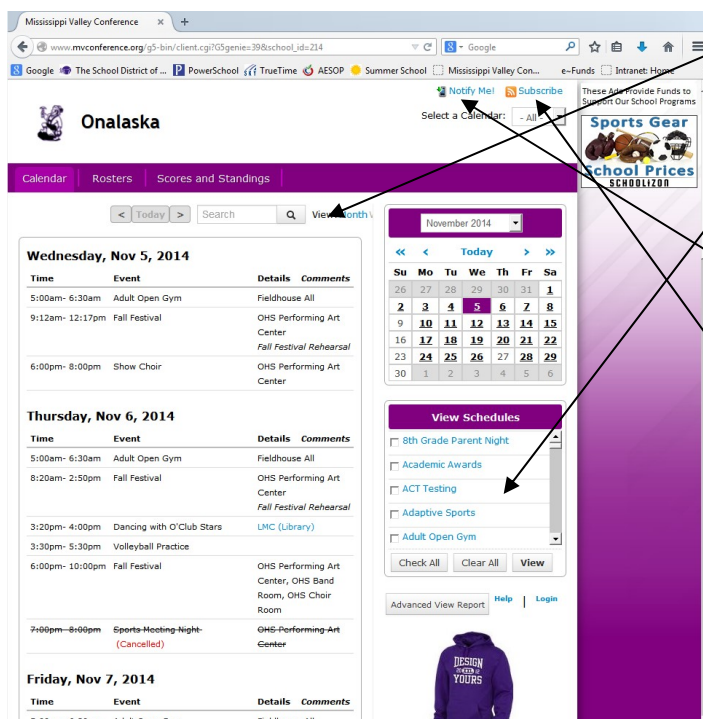
<http://www.mvconference.org/g5-bin/client.cgi?G5genie=39>

This website not only has athletic events, but also all other events taking place in our school.

Once you click into a specific school, you can subscribe to a calendar or set up a “notify me” text reminder. This is located in the upper right corner of the website. All MVC sporting events go through this calendar and will give you the most up to date information possible.



Select Onalaska High School



View the calendar by day, week, or month.

Select schedules you would like to view and see your own customized view.

Use the “Notify Me!” tab to set up text reminders.

“Subscribe” to set up a calendar that will update automatically with any changes that may occur.

### SUBSCRIBE TO ALL OF TODAY'S EVENTS

IMPORTANT NOTE: This data feed is for PERSONAL use only. Any business or organization that wants this information, even if for providing it back to the school in **ANY** form, should contact [support@rshooltoday.com](mailto:support@rshooltoday.com) for a simple license agreement.

Click any of the links below to subscribe to ONLY today's activities. If you want full schedules for any activity, click into those schedules first from the “View Schedules” box on the right side of the calendar, then Subscribe.

#### CALENDARS



OUTLOOK Click the icon to add your selected schedules to your Outlook Calendar  
Note: Some versions of Internet Explorer have limits.



ICAL Click the icon to add your selected schedules to any iCal device (Mac, iPhone, iPad, etc)



GOOGLE Click the icon for instructions and the link to paste into any Google Calendar

#### RSS READERS



RSS Click the icon to add your selected schedules to your RSS Reader



GOOGLE Click the icon to add your selected schedules to your Google Reader



YAHOO Click the icon to add your selected schedules to your Yahoo Reader

When subscribing to a calendar, you can choose from Outlook, iCal or Google for your calendar.





## ***2021-22 Mississippi Valley Conference Spring Academic All-Conference players***

*These terrific athletes are also terrific students. MVC honors these athletes for their athletic ability and academic performance during the spring sports season. To qualify a student must earn a Varsity Athletic Letter this past spring and obtain a 3.5 during that season.*



### **ASL**

Nolan Bey  
Christian Christianson  
Nicholas Lowrey  
Reilly Westlund  
Maddix Xiong  
Pouapheng Xiong  
Yengkong Xiong

### **Baseball**

Brock Herczeg  
Connor Johansen  
Ayden Larson  
Padraig Mullen  
Samuel Pica  
Adam Skifton  
James Vanderloop  
Evan Winkler

### **Boys Golf**

Quinn Anderson  
Maxwell Breiling  
William Chafoulis  
Ethan Kramer  
David Werwinski  
John Werwinski

### **Boys Tennis**

Austin Fortun  
Lucas Go  
Joseph Griebel  
Alexander Hronis  
Benjamin Hsieh  
Maxwell Klein  
Calyn Ngeth  
Justin Richgels  
Aiden Sommerfield  
Nicholas White  
Daniel Yao

### **Girls Soccer**

Kiya Bronston  
Alexandra Drazkowski  
Morgan Dus  
Kieley Erickson  
Jane Fabian  
Ganna Fares  
Lydia Hartman  
Mallory Meighan  
McKenna Murphy  
Katherine Ramsay  
Anna Skemp  
Amaya Thesing  
Tatum Walters  
Emily Walz  
Alexa Wolcott

### **Softball**

Allison Balduzzi  
Sidney Fillbach  
Jenna Gansen  
Gaonou Her  
Alexa Larson  
Jenna Law  
Emerald Olson  
Marlee Walleen  
Isabella Zimmer

### **Track and Field**

Josie Anderson  
Keagan Anderson  
Siri Anderson  
Kasey Barth  
Josie Blum  
Blake Burnstad  
Mary-Catherine Clatworthy  
Jesse DeChambeau  
Eva Dryer  
Sean Gilles  
Isabela Gutierrez  
Michael Helixon  
Jillian Lonning  
Kendall Luebker  
Payton Mickschl  
Taylor Molling  
Priya Naik  
Alyssa Neilson  
Nicklaus Odom  
Amanuel Putz  
Jenna Richgels  
Gavin Ridge  
Emma Rudie  
Abigail Rudrud  
Nicholas Rudrud  
Alara Running  
Kateley Schlicht  
James Siegel  
Falyn Stalnaker  
Ethan Stell  
Ronald Walters

## Onalaska Hilltoppers Athletic Booster Club 2022-2023 Membership Form

The purpose of the Booster Club is to promote and support Onalaska School District interscholastic athletics and athletic programs and to foster school and community spirit and sportsmanship that are consistent with the educational philosophy of the school and the community it serves.

Please consider supporting our student athletes in one of the following ways

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ultimate Fan Club Level- \$200</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OHABC Membership</b> - includes voting rights at Annual Meeting to elect OHABC officers</li> <li>• <b>Two Activity passes for 2022-2023</b> for all regular season games (\$130 value)</li> <li>• <b>Ultimate Ona Swag Bag</b> - Includes: Hilltopper yard sign and choice of two of the following (circle):                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Insulated mug</li> <li>○ Gameday chair</li> <li>○ Onalaska fleece blanket</li> <li>○ Onalaska utility tote bag</li> <li>○ Hilltopper umbrella</li> <li>○ Passes only - no swag</li> </ul> </li> </ul>									
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Family Fan Club Level- \$50</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OHABC Membership</b> - includes voting rights at Annual Meeting to elect OHABC officers</li> <li>• <b>Ona Swag Bag</b> includes: Hilltopper yard sign, lanyard and insulated lunch bag</li> </ul>									
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>OHABC Supporter level- One time donation \$_____</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>OHABC Membership</b> - includes voting rights at Annual Meeting to elect OHABC officers</li> </ul>									
<b>Registration Form</b>									
Name: _____ Address: _____ City, State, Zip Code: _____ Email: _____ Cell phone: _____					<b>It's easy to join!</b>  Click <a href="https://onalaskahilltoppers.net">HERE</a> or go to <a href="https://onalaskahilltoppers.net">onalaskahilltoppers.net</a>  Mail form and check (payable to OHABC): Onalaska Hilltopper Athletic Booster Club 700 Hilltopper Drive Onalaska, WI 54650				



Questions about your membership?  
Contact Amy Sjolander (608) 779-4929 or  
email the fundraising committee at [athleticboosters@onalaskaschools.com](mailto:athleticboosters@onalaskaschools.com)



Join us as we work together for the benefit of our student athletes in the 2022-2023 academic year!



SCHOOL DISTRICT OF  
**ONALASKA**

## Volunteer Background Check Information

### VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECK SYSTEM

The School District of Onalaska has updated its process for volunteer background checks. Parent and community volunteers will complete background checks through an online system called BIB. BIB (Background Investigation Bureau) is a comprehensive online system that will provide thorough background checks on all volunteers. Please allow up to two weeks for a volunteer background check to be complete.

#### **How does it work?**

A volunteer will go to the BIB Secure Volunteer website and input their individual information. A direct link is provided on the School District of Onalaska website - <http://www.onalaska.k12.wi.us/district/volunteer-background-check-information.cfm>

The volunteer will receive an email from BIB stating they have passed the background check to volunteer. All volunteers need to coordinate with the building administration on volunteer opportunities.

The BIB background check is valid for 3 years. The BIB system will notify the volunteer via email when it is time for a recheck.

*\*\*If you are currently on the approved volunteer list and within your three year approved time, your background check is still valid and you do not have to complete the BIB check until your 3 years has passed. After the expiration of the 3 years, you will switch to the BIB background check. You may verify with your school secretary if you are a current approved volunteer.*

Please contact your building principal if you have any questions.

**SecureVolunteer**  
Powered by BIB

**We need volunteers just like you!**

**I want to volunteer!**

Follow this link to our Secure Volunteer site to initiate your background screen, which is required for all volunteers.

Onalaska High School  
700 Hilltopper Drive  
Onalaska, WI 54650

Welcome to OHS! Check  
out our website at:  
[www.onalaskaschools.com](http://www.onalaskaschools.com)



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## Important dates for Seniors

Senior photo submission deadline for the OHS Yearbook .....	Friday, September 30, 2022
<i>Submit close up shot showing predominantly head and shoulders, wallet size only</i>	
Senior baby ad submission deadline for the OHS Yearbook.....	Friday, September 30, 2022
Cap and Gown measurements taken and packets sent home .....	early November
Graduation orders taken for announcements, etc. ....	early November
Graduation Date .....	Saturday, May 27, 2023 --- 1:00 PM

### CONTACT

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School voice mail 608-779-5760

School Hours: 7:45 AM – 2:50 PM  
Building Opens at 6:45 AM

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**School Starts  
September 1  
7:45 AM**

*The mission of  
the School  
District of  
Onalaska is to  
work together to  
ensure high  
levels of learning  
for all.*

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