



OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

SEMESTER TWO FINALS

1st & 2nd Hours; June 3
3rd & 4th Hours: June 4
5th & 6th Hours: June 5
*1/2 Day Schedule
7:45 -10:55 am*

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL:

June 5



IMPORTANT LINKS

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OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

From our OHS Parent Group:

Hello, Parents/Guardians,

Can you believe the last week of school is upon us? Let's not forget to thank our wonderful OHS Staff for all of their loving dedication and support for our students.

End-of-the-Year Staff Luncheon is on Tuesday, June 4th. Please sign up and help celebrate our OHS staff. Sign up is a quick turnaround this time so please help spread the word. This is a highlight for the staff, and they look forward to it every year. We need your help with food and beverages. Thank you in advance!

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I want to thank all of you that attended commencement. I thought it went really well! It is so nice to see our graduates one last time on "the big stage."

This has been a fantastic school year. I am so proud of our teachers, our staff, our school, and our community. It's amazing how at times the year seemed to go so slowly, but all of a sudden it's over. I guess that's like a lot of things when you think about it.

I appreciate all of you and your support. We have a special community of which I am very proud. Again, thank you for everything and please reach out if you need anything.

Take care,

Dr. Kemsley

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COUNSELING INFORMATION

Monthly Counselor Newsletter

Please access the [June Counseling Newsletter](#) here.

Cap & Gown Donation

Counselors are accepting cap & gown donations from the Class of 2021 to 2024 to be used by economically disadvantaged students. Please drop them off in the main office if you would like to donate them.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Joanna Deng! Her art piece "In Your Dreams" has won First Place at the 2024 Congressional High School Art Competition! Joanna will have her artwork hung in the U.S. Capitol for an entire year. Additionally, she will also receive a formal invitation from the Congressional Institute for the 2024 Congressional Celebration on June 27th, 2024, in the U.S. Capitol.



Important 24-25 NHS Dates

Please Mark your Calendars for next year's Mandatory NHS Events:

- 9/4/24 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (Dues and Bylaws due)
- 10/5/24 - Bottle Drive for Food Bank, 8am-1pm OHS Staff Lot & Community
- 12/4/24 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium
- 2/4/25 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium
- 4/9/25 - Blood Drive, 8am-1:30pm, Wrestling Room
- 5/6/25 - Induction, 6:30pm, Auditorium
- 5/28/25 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium

Attention OHS Families

The OHS Math Department has many calculators come up missing this year.

Please look around your homes for calculators that belong to the school.

They may have the schools name or a teacher's name written somewhere on the calculator.

But it could also have worn off.

They may look like any of these calculators.



OKEMOS WOLF RUN AND WALK

The District Events Council is excited to present our first annual Okemos Wolf Run and Walk: The Mascot trot 5K on August 24. Pre-registration is now open!!

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MI/Okemos/okemoswolfrun>



OKEMOS WOLF RUN & WALK
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 2024

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM

FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
T-SHIRTS & MEDALS FOR PARTICIPANTS!

Artist rendering of new mascot!
FEATURING:
THE OKEMOS WOOF PACK
THE OKEMOS DANCE TEAM
GIVEAWAYS AND MORE!

**SIGN UP NOW!
PRE-REGISTER FOR EARLY BIRD PRICING.**

ROLL & STROLL | MILE RUN | MASCOT TROT 5K | KID SPRINT

COMMUNITY NEWS

The poster features a stylized landscape with green trees, brown rocks, and a grey path leading to a blue body of water. The text is arranged along this path. At the top left is the TCBA logo. The main title is in large, bold, black letters. Below it is a location pin icon and the event details. Three orange circles contain the phrases 'BIKE CARE', 'ICE CREAM', and 'FREE & FUN!'. A circular logo for the Youth Cycling Club is on the path. The text 'REGISTER NOW!' is in large, bold, black letters. A QR code is at the bottom right.

TCBA Youth Cycling Club
KIDS BIKING SUMMER CAMP

 **Hawk Island**
July 23th to July 26th
9am to 12pm

BIKE CARE

ICE CREAM

FREE & FUN!

YOUTH CYCLING CLUB

REGISTER NOW!



The Youth Cycling Club is a club of kids, by the kids, and for the kids. Our mission is to transform a young person's life through the power of a bicycle. This summer we will have two FREE, FUN, and EDUCATIONAL biking events in the greater Lansing area. Join us as riders or volunteers to make new friends, have an active and fun summer! Because of generous support from Tri-County Bicycle Association (TCBA), We ice cream every day during the event. You can sign up for both events here: https://www.biketcba.org/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=604795&item_id=236860

Park Lake Family Bike Ride

Date & Time: June 22, 2024 , 9:00am – 12:00pm

Location: Bath Township Park Lake beach(next to the Park Lake Creamery) 6064-6274 Park Lake Rd, Bath Twp, MI 48808

Registration: https://www.biketcba.org/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=604795&item_id=236860

Summer Biking Camp

Date & Time: July 23 – July 26, 2024 , 9:00am – 12:00pm

Location: Hawk Island Park, 1601 E Cavanaugh Rd, Lansing, MI

Registration: https://www.biketcba.org/content.aspx?page_id=4002&club_id=604795&item_id=236865

KICK OFF SUMMER SAFELY!

PROTECT THE PACK

FOOD TRUCKS · BOUNCE HOUSES · FACE PAINTING · SPARTY · WIN PRIZES



**JUNE 12,
2024**

**5-7 PM
KINAWA**

**OFFICIAL
OKEMOS GEAR
POP-UP SHOP
ON SITE!**

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BIGGBY · MICHIGAN TENT & PARTY RENTALS · CULVER'S ·
BURKHARDT PECORA BLOOMBERG ORTHODONTICS**

DONATIONS & PRIZES FROM:

GOLDFISH SWIM SCHOOL · MERT'S MEATS · ALL-OF-US EXPRESS CHILDREN'S THEATRE · FABRICATED CUSTOMS

**OKEMOS WOOF PACK · OPS HEALTH TEAM & TRANSPORTATION · MERIDIAN TWP. POLICE & FIRE DEPT · FREE GUN
TRIGGER LOCKS · CADL · MERIDIAN PARKS & REC · SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL · COMMUNITY GARDENS · RED CROSS ·
MERIDIAN CARES · OPS SAFETY & SECURITY · ELI'S PROJECT · OPS COMMUNITY RECREATION · GREATER LANSING FOOD
BANK · LEADERSHIP & LEARNING WITH HORSES · FBI · INGHAM COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

BRING NON-PERISHABLE FOOD TO DONATE TO THE GLFB AND GET A TOKEN FOR A FREE SCOOP OF ICE CREAM AT CULVER'S!

OHS Parent Group 06.01.24 Newsletter Updates:

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- **Post Prom was a success!** Over 400 tickets sold. Students had a blast (and volunteers did too). It's the most fun tradition and we appreciate all the volunteers it takes to organize and work the event. Thank you for making great memories for our Juniors and Seniors!
- **Parent Group's last general meeting was on Friday, May 24th.** This meeting involved voting for the 2024-2025 OHS Parent Group Executive Board. It is our pleasure to introduce the new Board members. Congratulations and thank you for leading the way!
 - President: Liz Luyendyk (new)
 - Vice President: Jennifer Castner (new)
 - Secretary: Kristen Pricco (returning)
 - Treasurer: Hong Trebesh (returning)
- **End-of-the-Year Staff Luncheon is on Tuesday, June 4th.** Please sign up and help celebrate our OHS staff for all of their hard work and dedication to caring for our kids. Sign up is a quick turnaround this time so please help spread the word. This is a highlight for the staff, and they look forward to it every year. We need a lot of food, beverages, and gift cards. Thank you in advance!
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- **Next week is the last week of school.** Did the last month seem to fly by? Congratulations to all the OHS Seniors. We wish you happiness and a fond farewell! This is our last OHS Newsletter Update for the school year. We'll be back in August so until then, enjoy the warm Summer sun!

These are the ways in which you can contribute to Parent Group events and activities:

- Volunteer to staff an event and/or donate supplies as needed throughout the year.
- Donate directly to OHS Parent Group. Checks payable to OHS Parent Group can be dropped off at the school's main office. Please label the envelope "Parent Group".
- Kroger Community Rewards: Our charity name is Okemos H.S. Parent Group (EH042). Parent Group earns at no added cost to you, but you must link us to your card first, online or in person at Kroger.
- RevTrak: [HS Parent Group | Okemos Public Schools \(revtrak.net\)](https://www.revtrak.net). Use this link and donate through the school's online payment processing system.

You can email us at OHSParentGroupInfo@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook "Okemos High School Parent Group".

Thank you for your support!



**Welcome Week
2024-2025**

	Kick Start <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour the building • Meet the District Health Team, Food Service Dept., and Transportation Dept. (K-6 only) • Student Schedules (5th-12th only) 	Open House <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour the building • Learn about the curriculum • Meet the Teacher (K-4 & OHS)
Bennett Woods Elementary	August 14, 2024 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	August 19, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Cornell Elementary	August 14, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	August 19, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Hiawatha Elementary	August 15, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	August 19, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Okemos Public Montessori	August 15, 2024 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	August 19, 2024 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Kinawa 5-6 School	August 15, 2024 10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Virtual presentation
Chippewa Middle School	August 15, 2024 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Virtual presentation
Okemos High School	August 14, 2024 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	August 22, 2024 Parent Meeting: 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Open House: 6 pm- 7 pm

Together...educating with excellence, inspiring each learner for life.