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The Obion County School System Monthly Newsletter



A Message from Mr. Watkins

Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas break. Even though they may complain, the smile on our kids' faces show that they are excited to be back at school.

January 23rd through January 29th is School Board Appreciation Week. I want to take this opportunity to thank the Obion County Board of Education for their service to our schools and county. I can truly say that their focus is on what is best for the students and staff of Obion County Schools. When you see one of the Board Members, take a moment to thank them for their service.

The county tournament for middle school basketball begins on January 13th. I want to wish each team good luck. Both high school's basketball teams are entering into district play for the remainder of their seasons. I know that each of those teams will represent OCS in a way that makes everyone proud.


I want to encourage our staff and students to push each day to be better than you were the day before. Take advantage of every opportunity to learn, challenge yourself, and grow.

Thank you for all you do to make Obion County Schools the best school district in the state.

- Tim Watkins

Director of Schools

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"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself."

- John Dewey



**Assistant Director of Schools
 Greg Barclay**

Obion County Schools Adds Additional School Resource Officer

Obion County Schools has utilized Safe Schools grant funds to bring an additional school resource officer onto campuses for the 2021-2022 school year. Johnathan Reyna has become Obion County's Sergeant over the School Resource Officer Program with an office at Obion County Central. While being housed at Obion County Central, Sergeant Reyna acts in a supervisory capacity for all the SROs employed within our schools. Additionally, his presence decreases the likelihood that schools will be without an SRO as he is able to step in if a school-assigned officer must be out for sickness, training, or court dates. Sergeant Reyna also adds to the positive relationship that exists between Obion County Schools and the Obion County Sheriff's Department and Sheriff Karl Jackson. Our school system is deeply appreciative of the work of all our school resource officers and is excited about the positive things our officers do for our students. In addition to Sergeant Reyna, school resource officers for the 2021-2022 school year are listed below:

Black Oak – John Paul Arnett
 Hillcrest – Justin Hobbs
 Lake Road – Ben Hudson
 Obion County Central – Danny Carr
 Ridgemont – Ben Burnett
 South Fulton Elementary – Taylor Rodgers
 South Fulton Middle/High – Rusty Singleton

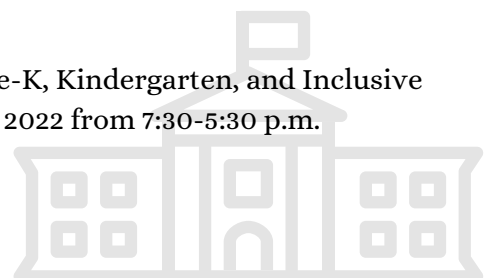
**Special Education
 Mrs. Alisha Hedge**

Our SPED team is growing! We would like to welcome Mrs. Michele Bell as our SPED Instructional Coach and Ms. Julie Everage as a SPED Teacher at Lake Road. Also, Ryan McMackin is back with us and serving students at Hillcrest, and Mrs. Nikki Netherland will be serving as our Gifted Consultant for the county.

Recently, Access for All/SPDG redelivery was at Obion County Central where three schools in grades 3-12 received training. The teacher engagement during this session was exceptional and truly displayed their commitment to a growth mindset and providing access for all students.

**Instructional Supervisor
 Sandy Simpson**

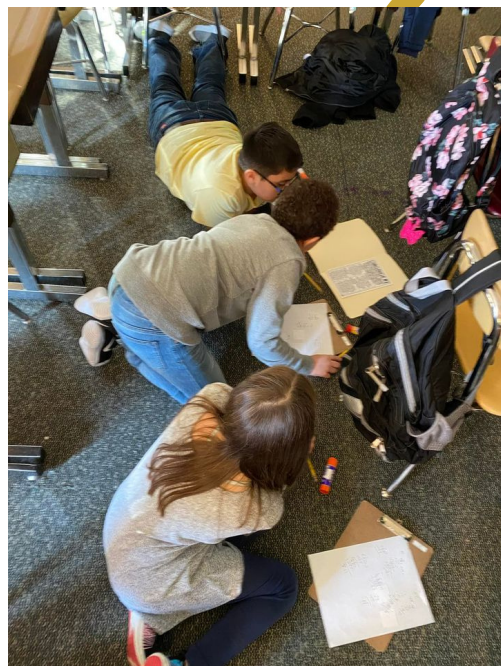
Obion County Schools will have Pre-Registration for Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Inclusive Preschool (Lake Road only) on Friday, March 11, 2022 from 7:30-5:30 p.m.



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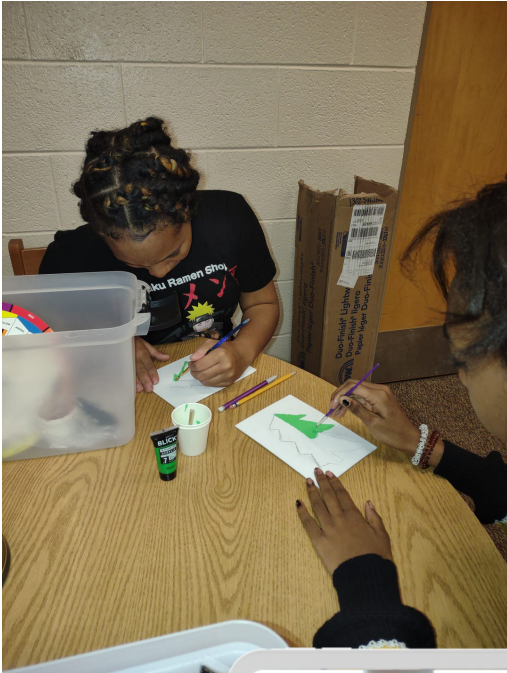
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Obion County Central High School



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South Fulton Middle & High School





“ At SFMHS, Ms. Mary Jane Wiseman's CDC class made cookies with Jamie Knott's hospitality class as a fundraiser for CDC students to use for trips and enrichment! It was a great time, and everyone involved had so much fun! ”



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The Office



IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING

01/17/22	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
01/24/22	School Board Appreciation Week
02/01/22	FAFSA Deadline
02/03/22	Parent Teacher Conference
03/01/22	Junior ACT Day
03/11/22	Pre-Registration for Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Inclusive Preschool @ Lake Road
03/28-04/01	Spring Break
04/15/22	Good Friday Holiday



ATHLETIC EVENTS SPRING



01/13/22	County Tournament Boys @ OC Gym 7:15pm
	County Tournament Girls @ OC Gym 6pm
01/14/22	SFHS Basketball v. Greenfield @ Away 6pm
01/15/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Henry Co. @ Away 6pm
	County Tournament Girls @ OC Gym 3pm
	County Tournament Girls @ OC Gym 12:30pm
	County Tournament Boys @ OC Gym 1:45pm
	County Tournament Boys @ OC Gym 4:15pm
01/17/22	County Tournament Girls @ OC Gym 6pm
	County Tournament Boys @ OC Gym 7:30pm
01/18/22	SFHS Basketball v. Bradford @ Home 6pm
01/21/22	SFHS Basketball v. Gleason @ Home 6pm
01/22/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Adamsville @ Home 6pm
01/24/22	SFHS Basketball v. Clinton @ Home 6pm
01/25/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Munford @ Away 6pm
	SFHS Basketball v. Fulton City @ Away 6pm
01/28/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Crockett @ Away 6pm
	SFHS Basketball v. Dresden @ Away 6pm
02/01/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Dyer Co. @ Home 6pm
	SFHS Basketball v. Greenfield @ Home 6pm
02/04/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Dyersburg @ Away 6pm
	SFHS Basketball v. Bradford @ Away 6pm
02/08/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Dyer Co. @ Away 6pm
	SFHS Basketball v. Gleason @ Away 6pm
02/11/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Crockett @ Home 6pm
02/15/22	OCCHS Basketball v. Dyersburg @ Home 6pm



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