



# OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Fall Count Day**  
October 2

**P/T Conference Link  
Closes**  
Friday, October 4; 11pm

**P/T Conferences**  
October 9; 4-7 pm  
October 10; 12-3pm  
October 10; 4-7 pm

**No School**  
October 11

## IMPORTANT LINKS

click these:

[DISTRICT CALENDAR](#)

[BOND UPDATES](#)

[PARENT GROUP NEWSLETTER](#)

[PARENT GROUP MEETING](#)

[MINUTES](#)

## OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

Our Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences are on October 9th (4-7 pm) and October 10th (12-3 pm, 4-7 pm). Sign up now at [CONFERENCE LINK](#). All conferences will be held via Google Meet. The sign-up will close on Friday, October 4th at 11:00 pm to give teachers time to prepare.

Important Reminders:

- Please keep your camera on during the conference.
- Recording or taking pictures is not allowed.
- Make sure the name on your Google Meet matches the one you used to register.
- Sign up only for teachers your child currently has. Each session is five minutes.

We look forward to connecting with you!

It's never too early to start planning Senior year. It's going to go by very quickly! Please see below.

Important SENIOR END OF YEAR DATES:

- May 19- "Unofficial" senior skip day
- May 20- Seniors' last day of classes
- May 21- Senior Project
- May 22- 1/2 day for seniors
- May 29- Commencement 7pm

Thanks again for all of your support. Our students and teachers are doing fantastic things here every day! I am very proud of them all!

Reach out if you need anything,

- Dr. Kemsley

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## COUNSELING INFORMATION

Check out the latest information from the Counseling Office in our [October Newsletter](#).

### Class of 2025

[Check out this link for helpful information](#). You will be meeting with your counselor for your Senior Meeting this fall and we will answer questions you have about your post secondary plans.

## AP EXAM REGISTRATION, MAY 2025 CYCLE

Students who are enrolled in an AP class at OHS and those who plan to self-study for an AP Exam for May 2025 MUST pay their AP Exam fee by Friday, October 11th. Payments must be made via this link: [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/232850](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/232850)

Here are the important dates for the registration process:

9/4/24 @ 10:25 AM: Date and Time to begin registration

10/11/24 @ 02:00 PM: Date and Time to end registration

11/14/24: REFUND POLICY: Date by which a student can receive a Full Refund

11/14/24 @ 11:59 PM: LATE REGISTRATION FEE: Begin \$40 per exam late registration fee

Questions may be directed to Mr. Walton at [hedlun.walton@okemosk12.net](mailto:hedlun.walton@okemosk12.net)

## IMPORTANT 24-25 NHS DATES

If you have an issue getting to our four 7:15 a.m. meetings (reduced schedule, late buses, dual enrollment, 7th-grade camp, etc.), there will be a "make-up" meeting the day before the scheduled meeting after school in the KIVA. You can attend this meeting instead. An excused absence from school means you are excused from the meeting. Please check Google Classroom for updates and announcements.

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

- 10/5/24 - Bottle Drive for Food Bank, 8am-1pm in the OHS Staff Lot & Community
- 12/4/24 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (OR 12/3 at 2:45pm in the KIVA)
- 2/4/25 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (OR 2/3 at 2:45pm in the KIVA)
- 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 (OR 5/27 at 2:45pm in the KIVA).

### SENIOR PICTURES

Are you wondering how to submit your child's senior picture for the yearbook? Please [click here](#) to access all the necessary information (sizing requirements, how to submit, etc.).

## COLLEGE ESSAY FEEDBACK SESSIONS

Seniors!

Are you working on a college application essay? Would you like some feedback? There are numerous opportunities available to you!

You can sign up for a feedback session with our English Department. Sign-up closes Thursday, October 10 at 12:00pm. Spots are limited. Sign up today!

### [College Essay Feedback Session Sign-up Form](#)

If you have questions about filling out your college applications, want feedback on your essays, or just need to schedule some time to get things done, counselors will be available during lunch each Monday and Wednesday from October 7th to 30th in the Counseling Office Conference Room. Grab your lunch and join!

## ACCESS TO PRAYER SPACES

For many of our students, prayer and meditation are a part of everyday life. Reflection rooms provide a quiet, private space for OPS students to pray, meditate or sit in silent reflection. The reflection room at Okemos High School is located in the counseling office. To use this room, students should visit the counseling office.

## WOOF PACK GEAR SALE

The Woof Pack has a new gear sale with a very special item created by Okemos Grad, Amy Lee! Check it out [here](#)! The sale closes on October 10th.

CHIPPEWA MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**7th Grade Camp**  
*Let's make some memories!*

**ATTENTION INTERESTED JUNIORS AND SENIORS!**

JOIN OUR GOOGLE CLASSROOM:  
**e6c3wdp**

**INFORMATIONAL MEETING:**  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH AT 7:15AM (KIVA)  
**APPLICATIONS POSTED ON GC:**  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH  
**APPLICATIONS DUE ON GC:**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH  
**INTERVIEWS:**  
EARLY-MID NOVEMBER  
**COUNSELOR SELECTIONS:**  
WEEK BEFORE WINTER BREAK  
**COUNSELOR TRAINING:**  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 17TH AT 11:30AM (CMS)  
**MEET THE CAMPERS:**  
MONDAY, JANUARY 27TH AT 1PM (CMS)

**2025 CAMP DATES FEBRUARY 4TH - 7TH**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MRS. WHITICO AT AMANDA.WHITICO@OKEMOSK12.NET

# Community News



OKEMOS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

TRICK OR TREAT!

## TRUNK OR TREAT

**OCTOBER 27**  
4:00pm - 7:00pm  
OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM PARKING LOT  
HOSTED BY OPS OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT  
THIS EVENT IS FREE TO ATTEND AND \$10 PER PARKING SPOT TO SET UP A TRUNK OR BOOTH.  
[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER!](#)

# SHARE NIGHT

## OKEMOS BASKETBALL

Join Okemos Basketball at Henry's Place & Asian Buffet in Okemos on Tuesday, October 8th and 10% of ALL take-out and dine-in orders will be donated back to the Okemos Basketball program!

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH**  
4:00-8:00 PM



# OKEMOS Cares! DRIVE

PLEASE BRING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO THE OHS FOOTBALL GAME ON FRIDAY, OCT 25

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Deodorant
- Skin Care
- Lip Balm
- Shaving Cream
- Cough Drops
- Lotion
- Shampoo (all hair types)
- Conditioner (all hair types)
- Body wash
- Toilet Paper
- Tissue Packets
- Hairbrushes

The OHS Care Closet provides OHS students with items they may need including school supplies, food, clothes, and even personal hygiene items. We appreciate your help in restocking our Care Closet!

**DONATE FUNDS HERE**



**LOOK FOR THE DONATION BINS AT THE ENTRANCE**