



OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

Half Day

March 7

10:55 am Dismissal

Spring Conferences

3/11, 3/12, 3/13

Half Day

March 13

10:55 am Dismissal

Spring Break

March 20-28

IMPORTANT LINKS

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OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

Spring is upon us, which means that parent-teacher conferences are right around the corner! Spring Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on March 11 (4-7 pm), March 12 (4-7 pm), and March 13 (12-3 pm). The sign-up will be available beginning at 8 am on Monday, March 3, at <https://www.myconferencetime.com/okemoshs>. The conference sign-up will close at 8 am on March 11th for ALL SESSIONS of conferences. Conferences will be held through Google Meet.

Important Reminders:

- Per our virtual meeting policy, cameras must remain on throughout the conference to ensure staff can verify who they are speaking with.
- Recording, videoing, or taking screenshots of the conference is strictly prohibited.
- Google Meet's waiting room feature will be utilized. To avoid delays in being admitted, please ensure the name you used to register for the conference matches the name displayed on your Google account.

We hope that you all are doing well and are staying healthy. Spring break will be here before we know it! As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out. Have a great weekend!

Take care,

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COUNSELING INFORMATION

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

Scheduling for 2025-2026 School Year

Counselors presented on scheduling for next year during the week of February 18 and will be meeting with students in the upcoming weeks to finalize schedule requests.

- Freshmen - meeting with counselors the week of Feb 24
- Sophomores - meeting with counselors the week of Mar 3
- Juniors - meeting with counselors the week of Mar 10

Information has been posted in grade-level Google Classrooms. Students are encouraged to look there for answers to many of their questions.

Seniors interested in applying for financial aid for college:

FAFSA opens on December 1. Students need to complete the FAFSA (regardless of their financial situation) to be eligible for free tuition if they will be attending LCC full time. Both a student and parent FSA ID must be created before you can submit the FAFSA. For full financial aid benefits, students should submit their completed FAFSA by March 1, 2025.

SENIOR SERVICE PROJECT

Seniors: The Senior Service Project will be on Wednesday, May 21st. This annual event is a fun way to give back to the community and, for many, get back to your elementary roots! Sign up at <https://forms.gle/Ng59kepqVZ4QVoxe9>. If you'd like to be assigned to the same worksite as your friends, make sure to sign up at the same time, as form submissions are timestamped. Participation is voluntary and requires a small fee, which can be submitted to <https://okemosk12.revtrak.net/hs/hs-seniors/#/f/hs-senior-service-project>. Questions about the Senior Project can be directed to hedlun.walton@okemosk12.net

IMPORTANT YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Yearbook Reminder:

If you haven't ordered your yearbook yet, now is the time! Ordering early increases your chances of being featured in the book at least three times, so don't wait—secure your copy today!

Senior Tribute Ads:

Parents, guardians, and friends of seniors—this is your chance to celebrate your graduate with a tribute ad! All designs and payments must be submitted online by April 18th. Visit yearbookokemos.weebly.com for step-by-step instructions on how to order.

Club Photos – Final Deadline: March 5th

If you're involved in an OHS club and haven't scheduled your group photo yet, time is running out! Please check with your advisor, captain, or club leader to ensure they've completed the process. If unsure, email yearbook@okemosk12.net, and we'll send you the Google form.

Let's make this year's yearbook one to remember!

IMPORTANT 24-25 NHS DATES

NHS Applications will be emailed to all eligible sophomores and juniors at 2:35 p.m. on Friday, February 7th. Completed applications are due by March 3rd at 2:35 p.m.

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:

- 4/11/25 - 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).

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How to Order:

Your yard sign order can be placed through the Google form link that will be shared in a MID-MARCH 2025 OHS newsletter.

If you have any questions, please email **Shelley McCormick**, the OHS point person at **shelleymooremccormick@gmail.com**.

2025 Annual Spaghetti Dinner Food Drive



“Feeding others while we feed ourselves - we CAN do it!”

The Spaghetti Dinner Committee, along with the Okemos High School Music Department is running our 2025 annual food drive in conjunction with the Spaghetti Dinner. Help us feed others while we feed ourselves! Please join in our efforts to collect 600 cans of food to be donated to the Greater Lansing Food Bank. The cans will be proudly displayed as table decorations at the spaghetti dinner before being delivered to food banks.

Dates February 10, to February 28, 2025.

Goal 600 cans of food. Canned food items such as chili, beans, tuna, salmon, chicken, fruits, vegetables, meals, juices, and soups. Dry items such as rice, pasta, noodles, boxed cookies, crackers.

Collection sites High school choir, orchestra, and band rooms.

Questions email omptreasurer@gmail.com

