

# OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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## IMPORTANT DATES

**Senior Field Trip**  
April 10

**Workkeys**  
April 10

**PSAT 9 & SAT 11**  
April 14

**PSAT 10 & M-STEP**  
April 16

**Touch of Class  
Luncheon**  
April 24

## IMPORTANT LINKS

click these:

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## OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

Hello everyone,

I hope you had a fantastic spring break! The detailed testing schedule is here: [2025 TESTING SCHEDULE](#). The dates of the particular tests are to the left. I wanted to bring these dates to your attention:

- Thursday, April 10th, the SENIORS will be on a field trip.
- Wednesday, April 16th, 9th and 12th graders have a half day (PM)

Regarding the field trip, we need parent chaperones for the trip next Thursday April 10th. Please fill out the interest form if you are available. Honestly, it's a pretty fun day hanging out with kids at the John Ball Zoo.

### [CHAPERONE INFO & INTEREST FORM](#)

Also, SENIOR families, here is the [SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR SENIORS](#).

Can you believe it's April already?! This has been a fantastic school year and the kids are really doing a wonderful job. It has been reinvigorating to see them after break.

Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns. I appreciate you all, and as always, I am really proud of our teachers, staff, students, and school!

Take care,

Dr. Kemsley

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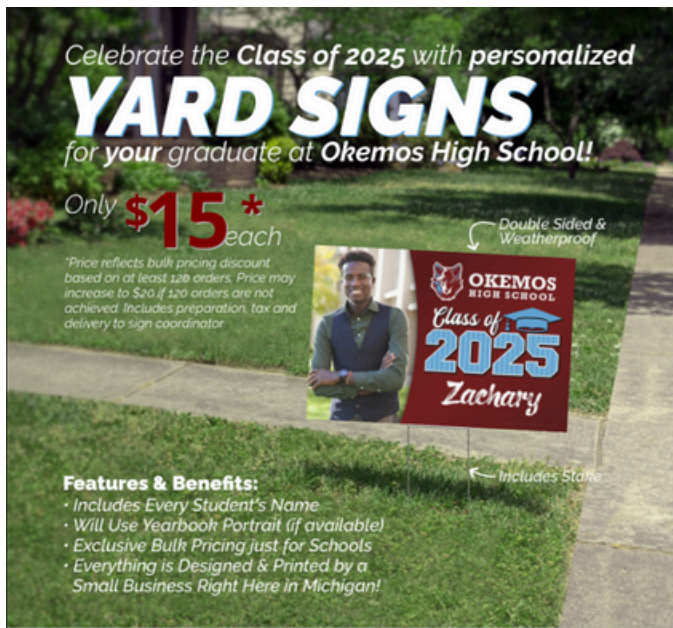
Check out the latest information from the Counseling Office in our [April Newsletter](#).

### [Scholarships](#)

### [College Visit Schedule](#)

## SENIOR YARD SIGNS

Please use [this link](#) to order your student's senior yard sign. Orders and payment are due by Sunday, April 13, 2025. If you have any questions, please email Shelley McCormick, the OHS point person, at [shelleymooremccormick@gmail.com](mailto:shelleymooremccormick@gmail.com).



## TOUCH OF CLASS CHARITY LUNCHEON

The 24th annual student-organized Touch of Class charity luncheon will be held on Thursday, April 24, during students' assigned lunch period. All proceeds will be donated to Okemos Cares (assisting OHS students in financial need).

Tickets will be sold on GoFan for \$10 starting on Monday, April 14th, and can be purchased through April 22nd.

### [Touch Of Class 2025 TICKETS](#)

Olive Garden and Grand Traverse Pie Company sponsor this year's luncheon.

The event is chaired by a very dedicated and hardworking executive committee: Allison Korb, Avani Pavangadkar, Kenneil Tucker, Isabella Portnoy, Addison Sherman, Sarah Flink, Seniorita Funk, and Mrs. Cironi.

We hope that your student joins us for this spectacular event! If a student has a financial need and would like to attend, please contact their counselor.

## 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](http://yearbookokemos.weebly.com) for step-by-step instructions on how to order.

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

## 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:

- 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).



## FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Okemos High School is now participating in the Weekend Food Kit program sponsored by the Greater Lansing Food Bank. This program provides FREE GROCERIES OVER THE WEEKEND, so families can have nutritious food and focus on other necessities.

These kits provide supplemental bags of food to students at school a few times per month. If you have multiple children, you are eligible to receive multiple kits. All names will remain confidential.

If you are a family that could benefit from this, you can receive food kits at NO COST. Please fill out the participation form - you can complete this Google Form digitally or send in the paper form (found below). You can also contact our Special Education Coach, Christine Skoutelas, to register at [christine.skoutelas@okemosk12.net](mailto:christine.skoutelas@okemosk12.net) or 517-706-4899.



GREATER LANSING  
**foodbank**



## PARTICIPATION FORM

### OHS WEEKEND FOOD KITS 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Please select **one** of the following options:

- ☐ **Traditional Food Kit:** Includes items such as mac & cheese, tuna, milk, oatmeal, canned veggies, etc...
- ☐ **Non-Traditional Food Kit:** Includes items such as dry rice, dry beans, dried fruit, milk, other snacks, etc...

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Student Name(s) (Print)

If you have more than one child at OHS, would you like a food kit for **each** student? Food kits will be placed in each student's individual locker.

- ☐ **Yes** - I want more than one kit
- ☐ **No** - I only want one kit

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Parent or Guardian signature

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Parent or Guardian name (Print)

- ☐ I would also like to receive information about additional food assistance resources offered through Greater Lansing Food Bank.

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Email address

5600 Food Ct. Bath, MI 48808

(517) 853-7800

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## Okemos High School Theatre Department Spring Musical



### THE DROWSY CHAPERONE

...a musical within a comedy...

April 25 @ 7:00 pm | April 26 @ 2:00 & 7:00 pm | April 27 @ 2:00 pm

Tickets are now available for the OHS spring musical, The Drowsy Chaperone. In this hilarious valentine to show tunes and show people, a forgotten Jazz Age musical comes to life in the living room of a diehard theatre fan. As he eagerly spins his favorite cast album, a fizzy vintage show suddenly appears, exploding with song, dance and pure entertainment. Our quirky narrator fills the plot holes, with laugh-out-loud results. Packed with show-stopping numbers and larger-than-life characters, here's a Tony Award-winning spoof that will have everyone falling in love with zany musical comedy!

You can click on this [LINK](#) or scan the QR code below to purchase tickets online. Please get in touch with Mr. DeKatch ([chad.dekatch@okemosk12.net](mailto:chad.dekatch@okemosk12.net)) if you have any questions.







APRIL 5

2025

10 AM - 12 PM



SCIENCE

# RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

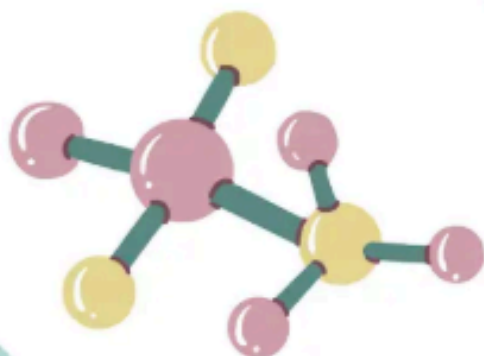
Okemos High School Kiva

Events:

Sophomore and Junior Poster Gallery

Senior Presentations

Refreshments



Science Research Seminar



# THE CARE CLOSET

Now located in the library!

The Care Closet provides supplies for students who don't have what they need to be successful.

Talk to a teacher, counselor, or the librarian if you need to access the closet at any time! :)

- Toiletries
- Feminine products
- Non-perishable snacks
- School supplies
- Clothing

