OEMS

Ordean East Middle School

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2025-2026

Contact

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Role	Name	Extension
Principal	Kristen Kennedy Anderson	
Assistant Principal	Jodi Stacken	2697
Assistant Principal	Eric Stang	1349
Dean of Students		
Attendance Line	218-336-8940	4201
6th Grade Counselor	Ashley Kedrowski	2222
7th Grade Counselor	Sarah Seglem	3327
8th Grade Counselor	Morgan Costley	1262
Nurse's Office	218- 336- 8940	2242

Important Dates

First day of school for students: 9/2/25

PICTURE DAY SEPTEMBER 30TH

SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES 25-26
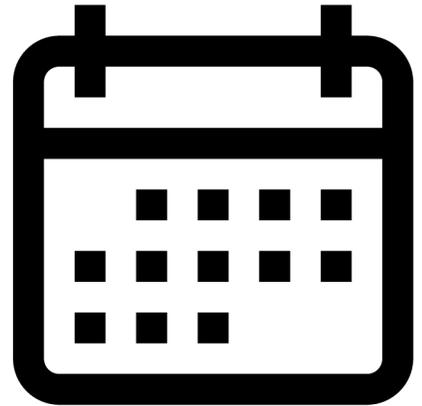
October: 16, 17
November: 3, 27, 28
December: 8, 24-31
January: 2, 16
February: 16-20
March: 2, 30-31
April: 1-3
May: 4, 25

Last day of school for students: 6/4/25

School begins each day at 8:40 and ends at 3:19

New Student Orientation

Thursday, August 28th
12:45 - 2:30

@ Ordean East Middle School

All students new to OEMS are welcome to attend regardless of grade!

🐾 **Tour the school!**

🐾 **See your classrooms!**

🐾 **Meet other students!**

🐾 **Meet your teachers!**

You're Invited!

PARENTS AND GUARDIANS ARE WELCOME AND AND ENCOURAGED TO JOIN!

School Supplies

In the link provided you will find the **ULTIMATE** 2025-26 guide to OEMS school supplies!
The list is divided by grades.
Happy shopping~

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1QGSvap9Yuuplr_Dr9dsk6nyeT8b7o_rGObtlV7Zr9ys/edit?usp=sharing

Tech Form

Annual Blended Learning Form and Chromebook Loan Agreement
Required for all students!

The Duluth Public Schools strives to provide students with the most effective tools to enhance their learning. Teachers, assessment coordinators, and media specialists may use educational web-based programs and applications. Many of the educational web-based programs and applications require parent permission for children aged 18 and under. To give that permission, an annual Blended Learning Form must be completed. If your student does not have a signed Blended Learning Form and Chromebook Loan Agreement, they will not receive their Chromebook and will not be able to access web-based programs and applications.

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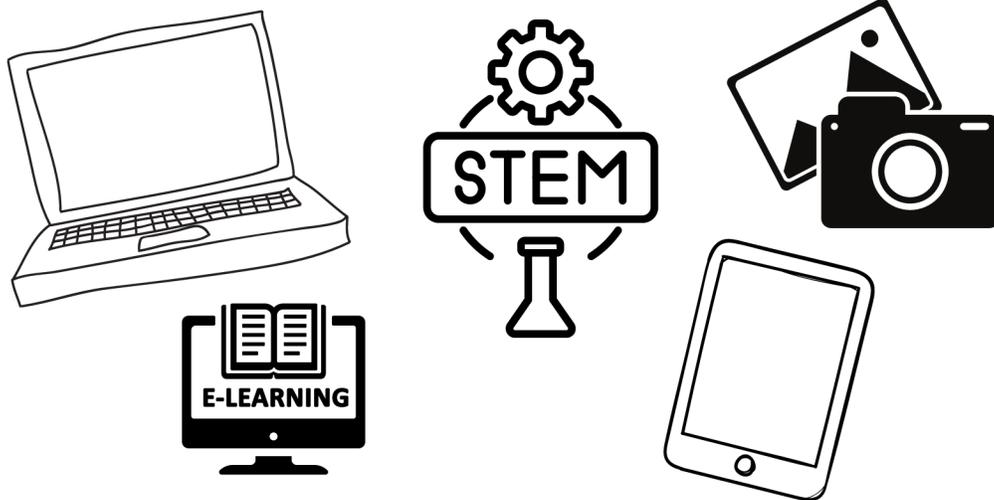
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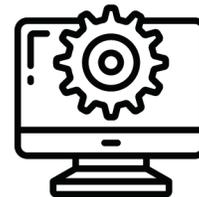
CANVAS

Canvas Parent Account Set- up

Creating an Observer Account
On the student's Chromebook:
1. Have the student log into their Canvas account.
2. In the left-hand navigation bar, click on the Account icon.
3. In the pop-out menu, choose Settings.
4. On the right side menu, choose the Pair With Observer button.
5. A code will be displayed.

On the parent's device:
1. Go to https://isd709.instructure.com/login/ldap
2. Click Parent of a Canvas User? Click Here For an Account
4. Fill in your information.
5. Under Student Pairing Code, enter the code that is displayed on the student's device.
6. Click the Start Participating button. You should now be paired as an observer.

Canvas Parent App

Please follow the account set-up instructions to the left before using the app. You'll need to create your account initially via the browser (safari, google, etc). You will NOT be able to create an account on the app.

1. Download the Canvas Parent App to your mobile device.
2. Choose QR Login at the bottom of the screen
3. Canvas will show you how to find your QR Login. On your mobile device, click on "Next". On your computer/laptop/tablet, click on "QR for Mobile Login"
4. On your mobile device, you will likely need to allow access to your camera.
5. On your computer/ laptop/tablet, you will be shown a QR code. With your mobile device, point at your QR code with the camera, and click to open the link.

Canvas Parent Login Link: https://isd709.instructure.com/login/ldap
Students login to Canvas by using the Google Waffle

Infinite Campus

If you already have an account: Log in using the username and password fields. If you need to reset either your username or password please use the blue links provided on the login site.

If you need an account: A school clerical needs to put in a request for a new Infinite Campus Activation Key to be sent to you. Please reach out to jodi.grochowski@isd709.org or connie.lovera@isd709.org. Once you ask for an account please make sure you are checking your spam folder. It may take up to 1 week to be processed.

Infinite Campus Parent Login Link: https://duluthmn.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents/duluth.jsp
Infinite Campus Student Login Link: https://duluthmn.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/students/duluth.jsp

WEB Events

The WEB program is a peer mentoring program that allows opportunities for our 8th grade students to become Leaders in helping 6th graders transition into and succeed in middle school by building relationships and creating connections 6th graders can trust.

W.E.B. Training day

When: August 20th 2025

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Where: Ordean East Middle School Gym

W.E.B. Students will be helping during the "New Student Orientation" on August 28th from 12:00 pm - 2:45 pm

STUDENTS

W.E.B.

UNITE

Bell Schedules

Monday, Tuesday, Friday

8:40 a.m. - 9:27 a.m. .... Period 1
9:32 a.m. - 10:24 a.m. .... Period 2
10:29 a.m. - 11:16 a.m. .... Period 3

11:21 a.m - 11:51 a.m. .... Lunch A (6th Grade)
11:56 a.m. - 12:43 p.m. .... Period 4A
12:48 p.m. - 1:35 p.m. .... Period 5A

11:21 a.m. - 12:08 a.m. .... Period 4B
12:13 p.m. - 12:43 p.m. .... Lunch B (7th Grade)
12:48 p.m. - 1:35 p.m. .... Period 4B

11:21 a.m. - 12:08 p.m. .... Period 4C
12:13 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. .... Period 5C
1:05 p.m. - 1:35 p.m. .... Lunch C (8th Grade)

1:40 p.m. - 2:27 p.m. .... Period 6
2:32 p.m. - 3:19 p.m. .... Period 7

Wednesday & Thursday

8:40 a.m. - 9:58 a.m. .... Period 1/Period 2
10:03 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. .... Advisory
10:40 a.m. - 11:14 a.m. .... AREA

11:19 a.m - 11:49 a.m. .... Lunch A (6th Grade)
11:54 a.m. - 1:12 p.m. .... Period 3A/Period 4A

11:19 a.m. - 11:55 a.m. .... Period 3B/Period 4B
12:00 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. .... Lunch B (7th Grade)
12:35 p.m. - 1:12 p.m. .... Period 3B/Period 4B

11:19 a.m. - 12:37 p.m. .... Period 3C/Period 4C
12:42 p.m. - 1:12 p.m. .... Lunch C (8th Grade)

1:17 p.m. - 2:35 p.m. .... Period 5/Period 6
2:40 p.m. - 3:19 p.m. .... Period 7

Calendars

ISD 709 Calendar 2025-26 School Year

JULY
- 4 Indep. Day HOLIDAY

AUGUST
- 17–22 Flexible Teacher Work Time (8hrs total)
- 26 All Staff PD Day
- 27 Teacher WD/SD
- 28 Teacher Work Day

SEPTEMBER
- 1 Labor Day HOLIDAY
- 2 Gr. 1-12 First Day
- 4 Grade K First Day

OCTOBER
- 16–17 MEA WEEKEND
- 30 HM

NOVEMBER
- 3 PD Day
- 27–28 Thanksgiving HOLIDAY/ Recess

DECEMBER
- 8 PD Day
- 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31 Winter Recess

JANUARY
- 1 New Years HOLIDAY
- 2 PD Day
- 14 EHM
- 16 Teacher Work Day
- 19 M.L.K. HOLIDAY

FEBRUARY
- 16 Pres. Day HOLIDAY
- 17, 18 Winter Recess
- 19, 20 Confer. Makeup

MARCH
- 2 PD Day
- 26 HM
- 30, 31 Confer. Makeup

APRIL
- 1, 2, 3 Spring Recess

MAY
- 4 PD Day
- 25 Mem. Day HOLIDAY

JUNE
- 4 Students Last Day EHM
- 5 Teacher Work Day
- 19 Juneteenth HOLIDAY

ISD 709 Middle School A-B Days - 2 Week Jumpstart (2025-26)

JULY
- 4 Indep. Day HOLIDAY

AUGUST
- 17–22 Flexible Teacher Work Time (8hrs total)
- 26 All Staff PD Day
- 27 Teacher WD/SD
- 28 Teacher Work Day

SEPTEMBER
- 1 Labor Day HOLIDAY
- 2 Gr. 1-12 First Day (A)
- 4 Grade K First Day (A)
- A-B days, AREA 1

OCTOBER
- AREA 1
- 16–17 MEA WEEKEND
- 30 HM

NOVEMBER
- 3 PD Day
- BLOCK A, BLOCK B, AREA 2
- 27–28 Thanksgiving HOLIDAY/ Recess

DECEMBER
- 8 PD Day
- AREA 2
- 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31 Winter Recess

JANUARY
- 1 New Years HOLIDAY
- 2 PD Day
- AREA 2
- 14 EHM
- 16 Teacher Work Day
- 19 M.L.K. HOLIDAY
- BLOCK A

FEBRUARY
- AREA 3
- 16 Pres. Day HOLIDAY
- 17, 18 Winter Recess
- 19, 20 Confer. Makeup

MARCH
- 2 PD Day
- AREA 3
- BLOCK B
- 26 HM
- 30, 31 Confer. Makeup

APRIL
- 1, 2, 3 Spring Recess
- BLOCK A, AREA 4

MAY
- 4 PD Day
- AREA 4
- 25 Mem. Day HOLIDAY
- BLOCK B

JUNE
- 4 Students Last Day
- 5 Teacher Work Day
- 19 Juneteenth HOLIDAY

After School Clubs/ Activites

This info will be added closer to the start of school.