



OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

Yearbook Pickup
August 5th, 4-6pm

Kickstart
August 13
9am - 2pm

Freshman Connect
August 14
10am-12pm

First Day of School
August 20; ½ Day
7:45 - 10:55 am

Open House
August 21
530pm Parent Mtg
6-7pm Visit Classrooms

IMPORTANT LINKS

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OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

Happy Summer! We are busy here getting ready for the 25-26 school year. Please add these important dates to your calendars:

Kickstart August 13th: This is the time for all students to come in, get their schedules, see where their classes are, and set up their lockers.

Freshman Connect August 14th: I highly recommend that all freshmen attend this event. They will be paired with an upperclassman, take a tour of the school, and have a “soft start” to the school year. The goal is for each incoming freshman to feel confident at the start of the school year!

Open House Aug 21st: There are two parts to the open house. The first part is a parent meeting at 5:30. All are welcome, but this is MOST beneficial for parents who are new to the high school. From 6-7, we invite all parents to check out the school and meet your student’s teachers. We hope to see you then!

Oh! One more thing. We don’t have a “**school supply**” list, per se. I think most kids use one folder or binder per class, along with a pencil case with various pens/pencils, etc. If you are having difficulty and need help with supplies, please email me.

Many of you are asking about **commencement**. I am finalizing that now and should have a date for you very soon! Thanks for your patience!

I anticipate this will be a wonderful school year. If you need anything, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me directly at daniel.kemsley@okemosk12.net.

Take care and we’ll see you soon,

Dr. Kemsley

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IMPORTANT YEARBOOK PICK UP INFO

Pick-Up Date: August 5 from 4–6 PM

Location: Door #8 (by the tennis courts) due to construction near the band/orchestra rooms.

If you can't make the pickup, have a friend or family member pick it up for you. The next opportunity won't be until school starts.



**Welcome Week
2025-2026**

	Open House: Visit the building and meet the teacher
Bennett Woods Elementary	August 18, 2025 5:30 pm -6:30 pm
Cornell Elementary	August 18, 2025 5:30 pm -6:30 pm
Hiawatha Elementary	August 18, 2025 5:30 pm -6:30 pm
Okemos Public Montessori	August 18, 2025 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Parent/Guardian PowerSchool access for elementary: August 15th at 8:00 a.m.	

	Kick Start: Visit the building and pick up student schedules
Kinawa 5-6 School	August 14, 2025 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Chippewa Middle School	August 14, 2025 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Parent/Guardian PowerSchool access for Kinawa and Chippewa: August 13th at 5:00 p.m.	

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Okemos High School	August 13, 2025 9:00 am - 2:00 pm	August 21, 2025 Parent Meeting: 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Open House: 6 pm- 7 pm
Parent/Guardian PowerSchool access for OHS: August 15th at 8:00 a.m.		