



OROVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

January NEWSLETTER 2026

Message From the Principal

Happy New Year, OHS Families!

It has been wonderful to welcome students back on campus as we begin **2026**. A new year is always a meaningful opportunity to reflect on the hard work and accomplishments of our educational community while also looking ahead with renewed energy and purpose.

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our incredible staff for their continued dedication to student success and to our families for your ongoing support and partnership—it truly takes a team to help our students thrive. Winter sports are in full swing, with basketball, soccer, and wrestling showcasing the talent, teamwork, and determination of our student-athletes. We invite you to come out and cheer on our teams as they compete throughout the season!

As we begin this next chapter of the school year, we remain focused on supporting academic growth, student well-being, and a strong school community. Let's make **2026** a year of growth, achievement, and connection for all.

You will also find additional information in this update regarding the months ahead. If you have any questions or need support, please do not hesitate to contact us—we are here to help and look forward to an outstanding second half of the school year.

Warm Regards,
Kristen Wiedenman
Principal, OHS

Tigers OF THE MONTH



JT Herrera

Following the Big 3
Mr. Briggs
CTE



Leigh Balanoba

Exemplary Character
Mrs. Golden
English



DeTonya Collins

Significant Progress
Mr. Caratenuto
Math



Link Vang

Exemplary Character
Mr. Louis
Physical Education



Emily Xiong

Individual Achievement
Mr. Buchanan
Social Science



Veronica Floyd

Outstanding Attitude
Mr. Permann
Science



Anaiyah Chao

Exemplary Character
Ms. Barnett
VAPA

PBIS Incentive Winners

Aaliyah Khang- Yearbook
Abigail Messail- Union \$50 gift card
Genevieve Lee- Chipotle gift card

Upcoming Events

8th Grade Visits

Incoming freshmen for the 2026–2027 school year will visit Oroville High School on January 26 and 27, 2026. Middle schools will be sending out information about the visits. A parent meeting will be held the evening of Wednesday, January 28 at 6pm. More information will be sent when we return from Winter Break.



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The Studios

Nelson

Seniors

It's an exciting time in a senior's life, and we don't want you to miss a thing!

Visit our new **Senior Page** on our website to stay up to date on all of this year's activities. You will find information on:

- Important Dates
- Senior Packet
- Cap, Gown & Announcements
- Yearbook
- Scholarships
- Letter of Recommendation
- Safe Grad Night

[Senior Page](#)

Counseling

Counselors

Students can sign up to see their counselor in the counseling office. Make an appointment to see your counselor to organize your academic schedule, for personal and social issues on campus and for planning for college or career path after your high school education.

Counselor assignments by students last name are below:

[Jennifer Locati](#): A-Je

[Patty Bauer](#): Jf-Si

[Jessica Hewitt](#): Sj-Z & all English Learner Students

Scholarships

The 25/26 Scholarship bulletin is now live. Please have your seniors check it regularly for new opportunities. Every little bit your student can earn for college helps! [Scholarships](#)



Work Permits

If you would like to obtain a Work Permit, the following steps will need to be completed:

1. Print out and complete both of the following form:

[Work Permit Form](#)

Forms can also be picked up in the Counseling office. Office Hours 8:00 - 3:00

2. Once forms are completely filled out by student, parents and the employer, they can be brought into the office. Please make sure all pages are complete! After forms have been received, grades and attendance will be checked in Aeries. If you have met the requirements, a work permit will be issued. This work permit will only be valid for the employer that is listed. If you have multiple jobs, you will need one for each job.



Medications

If your student needs to take medication during the school day, a doctor's signed authorization form must be kept on file in the attendance office. Over the counter medications, such as Tylenol or Excedrin, are not allowed on campus, and must be left in the office with doctor permission only. Anyone with unauthorized medications is in violation of the district drug policy and may face disciplinary action. Please take any necessary medications to the Attendance Office and pick up a Medication Authorization form as soon as possible.



Registration

ENROLLMENTS FOR STUDENTS NEW TO OROVILLE HIGH

**Excluding 9th graders coming from our local feeder schools already in our database. If your student is new to Oroville High, or the Oroville Union High School District, please contact Michela Monnot in the counseling office. Email: ohsregistrar@ouhsd.net or call 530-538-2320, ext. #3309.

NEED ASSISTANCE WITH THE ON-LINE REGISTRATION/DATA CONFIRMATION

If you are a parent of a student already enrolled with Oroville High, (including 9th graders coming from our local feeder schools), and you need help with the annual data confirmation please give us a call at 530/538-2320, ext. 3309.

Attendance

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Attendance Matters

Good attendance benefits your child's education. Please call our attendance staff at extension 3310 or 3311 whenever your child is absent. Please provide the following information:

- Child's Name
- Date of the Absence and the Reason
- You can also email us at mdelatorre@ouhsd.net or smedina@ouhsd.net

- Only persons listed in Aeries can excuse an absence.

[Attendance Policy](#)

Students not feeling well while at school are to let the teacher know so they can be sent to the attendance office where the nurse can check them or the we will contact the parent/guardian to come pick them up. To avoid texting in class, we will not send passes for sick students.

Attendance Matters - Every day in class is a step toward success!

Did you know that consistent attendance is one of the biggest predictors of student success?

We know life gets busy—that's why the school calendar already includes **weekends, holidays, and plenty of breaks** to rest, recharge, and spend time away from school. From long weekends to extended breaks throughout the year, there are lots of opportunities to relax and reset.

That means when school *is* in session, it's the perfect time to show up, stay focused, and keep building toward your goals.

|  Vacation Planner Student Breaks & Holidays 2025 - 2026 | | |
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| No School 4* Days <small>*Includes weekends</small> | October Break Friday 10/17 - Monday 10/20 | 3 Day Weekends Labor Day Monday 9/1 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Monday 1/19 Memorial Day Monday 5/25 |
| No School 9* Days <small>*Includes weekends</small> | Thanksgiving Break Monday 11/24 - Friday 11/28 | Mid-Week Holiday Veterans Day Tuesday 11/11 |
| No School 17* Days <small>*Includes weekends</small> | Winter Break Friday 12/19 - Friday 1/2 | Minimum Days Monday 8/11 Tuesday 8/12 Dismissal Time- 12:39pm |
| No School 10* Days <small>*Includes weekends</small> | February Break Friday 2/13 - Monday 2/20 | Finals Schedule Mid-term Finals Dismissal 2:45pm Wednesday 12/17 Thursday 12/18 End of Year Finals Dismissal 12:45pm Tuesday 6/2 Wednesday 6/3 Thursday 6/4 |
| No School 10* Days <small>*Includes weekends</small> | Spring Break Friday 4/3 - Friday 4/10 | |



Perfect Attendance Certificates

We are excited to launch our Perfect Attendance Recognition Program this month! Each student who has perfect attendance in September will receive a certificate, a lunch line pass, and will be invited to take part in a special group photo for our school newsletter and social media. Let's cheer on our students as they work toward this milestone – we can't wait to celebrate their dedication!

This month, our 5th period classes are competing in the Attendance Challenge! Classes with the best attendance and the most improvement will



Tardy Policy Reminder

We want to thank our families for supporting strong attendance habits. One of the most important ways students set themselves up for success is by arriving to class on time. Being on time not only maximizes learning but also helps limit disruptions for the entire class. Please remind your student about the importance of punctuality and encourage them to plan ahead so they can be in their seats and ready to learn when the bell rings. Students who receive 6 tardies will be assigned a lunch intervention, which must be served to remain eligible for Homecoming, field trips, and



Cell Phone Policy Reminder

To help students stay focused and engaged during class, Oroville High School has clear expectations around cell phone use. Phones should be turned off and put away during instructional time unless a teacher has given permission for academic purposes. When phones stay out of sight, students are better able to concentrate, participate, and learn without distractions. We appreciate your partnership in reminding your student to follow this policy so classrooms remain productive learning environments for everyone.

earn prizes. Every day and every student counts – let's work together to build great habits and celebrate success!

home athletic event attendance. Students who do not receive a single tardy all quarter will earn an invitation to our new No Tardy Party! Please encourage your students' punctuality. Together, we can build consistent routines that help every student thrive.

College and Career

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- **OHS is thrilled to welcome our new College and Career Advisor, Mandy Delatorre!**

We're excited to have her serve in this new role—be on the lookout for engaging updates, valuable resources, and new opportunities once she gets settled into her role.



College Connections

Applications for the **College Connection** class of 2026-27 are due Jan 9, 2026 by 5pm. See the link below for all the information.

[Application Information](#)

FAFSA Workshop

January 9, 2026

Open to all Seniors. This workshop will occur during periods 2,4,5 and 6 in all Govt/Econ classes in Room M-4. Seniors will be given class time to open their chrome books and complete their FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid.) Staff members will be present to help answer questions as they arise.

Bring your FSA ID, cell phone #, Personal Email Address, Social Security Number and chromebook!

Independent Study Seniors: Choose a class period to join and then sign up by emailing your choice to me at pbauer@ouhsd.net

Social Emotional



SEL Wednesdays

This year we will have Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Days every Wednesday during Advisory, between 1st and 2nd period. You can find that schedule and lessons on the links below.

[SEL Lessons and Schedule](#)

Username: orvillehs

password: character2022

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Daybreak

OHS is proud of our continued partnership with Daybreak Health. Daybreak provided FREE counseling services to our students through Zoom. Use the QR code below to self refer or reach out to Lena Correa at lc Correa@ouhsd.net for more information.



We are excited that the [direct referral form](#) is ready for use! This form allows students and parents to submit a referral to Daybreak directly. This can be an especially helpful access point for students that feel more comfortable raising their hand for support in this way, as well as for parents who are seeing needs from their child at home that aren't necessarily showing at school.

[Direct Referral Form](#)
[Teletherapy](#)

School News

WINTER FORMAL 2026

Winter Formal will be on February 28th. Watch out for more details coming soon.

Student Store

The Student Store is coming back strong after winter break!

We're excited to bring new gear, plus brand-new embroidered items dropping in early January. Keep an eye out for fresh hats, sweatshirts, and polos—perfect for kicking off the new year with style and school spirit.

Don't forget: the Student Store is also where you can purchase **Winter Formal tickets**, so be sure to watch for more information!

[Online Webstore Link](#)

OHS Breakfast and Lunch Menu

Here is the **Nutrition Services menu for Oroville High School!** This is just the beginning of our district-wide commitment to providing a fresh, high-quality dining experience for all our students.

Want to see what's cooking? Check out the current menu:

[OUHSD Daily Menu](#)



Athletics

Visit our website where you can see all of the schedules and keep up to date with what's going on.

[Athletic Website](#)

Don't want the hassle of making sure you have cash or spend your time standing in line? You can purchase your tickets online before you get to the game. [Tickets](#)

Can't make it to the game? We have you covered. Check out the live stream... all from our website.

Check it out and cheer on the Tigers. [Broadcasts](#)

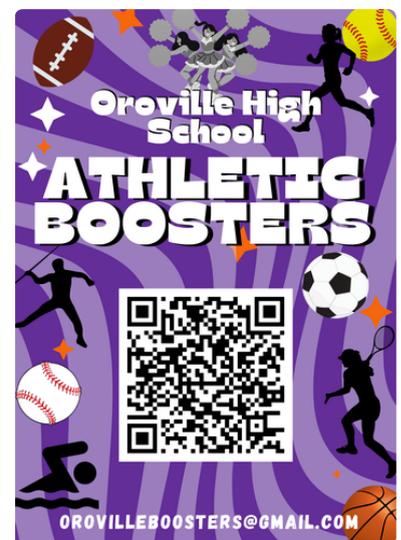
[#TIGERPRIDE](#)

Student attendance, including tardies and cuts, is preventing some from attending games after school. Please reach out to your student to clear these issues.

Athletic Boosters

Attention OHS parents & guardians.

Will your child be playing a sport this school year? Are you looking for a way to get involved? The OHS Athletic Boosters is a non-profit organization here to help support our students' sports with fundraising opportunities. If you have any questions or would like to join us, please come to an Athletic Boosters meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 in the OHS library.



PTSA

Tutoring

Important Dates

- 1.5 Students Return from Break
- 1.9 College Connections Applications Due
- 1.20 MLK Jr Birthday- No School
- 2.13 Lincolns Birthday- No School
- 2.16 Presidents Day- No School
- 2. 13 - 20 February Break



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