

# OSCEOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Chiefs Weekly Updates Week of December 10, 2018

### Upcoming Spirit Days:

Please support the school by attending our Spirit Day events. Some events are for students and some are for the entire family! Your support helps the school to be able to enhance our current programs or to add new ones.

12/14 – Movie & Open Gym @ OMS

**Students who are involved in credit recovery can now attend any credit recovery session to work on any subject area. Please utilize the days and times listed below for credit recovery. Thank you!**

- Monday – 8:00-8:45 – Ms. Moore G-106
  - Monday – 4:15-5:00 – Mrs. Juergens F-204
  - Tuesday – 8:00-8:45 – Mrs. Blanco F-205
  - Wednesday – 8:00-8:45 – Mr. Tierney – Media Center
  - Wednesday – 8:00-8:45 – Ms. Moore – G-106
- Parents please go to our survey link to provide feedback on our school at <https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/82716/36800>.
- The student survey link is <https://eprovesurveys.advanced.org/surveys/#/action/83154/36800>
- Chief Change Store – Positive Based Incentives – Sold \$663 in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade lunch, \$570 in 7<sup>th</sup> Grade lunch, \$253 in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade lunch for a total of \$1386!!
- **Non-Perishable Food Items Still Needed!!** OMS runs a Food Pantry for our families in need. We ask students to bring in non-perishable food items throughout the year. Over the past few years we have helped 28 families for Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks with a complete meal for the family and additional meals for the week. Please send in any items to the front office. There is a large box by the water fountain that they can be placed.
- If you know if a family in need please contact Ms. Shepard at [shepardm@pcsb.org](mailto:shepardm@pcsb.org) with the Student Name and Grade, and the number of family members so we make sure we have enough food.

- If you would like to help create the food boxes to distribute please contact Ms. Shepard to schedule days and times.
- If you would like to donate a turkey or money towards the purchase of a turkey please contact Ms. Shepard.
- The food pantry is available **ALL YEAR** if a family should need it.
- **Students bringing in food items will have each item counted for the next Spirit Assembly! Drop off the items in the grade level offices or in the cafeteria in the grade level boxes!!**

➤ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents: High School Choice Information was sent home with students. If you would like to apply for a magnet or fundamental high school program you will need a Parent Portal Username and Password to apply. Please come to the school with a Photo ID to obtain this information. More information about the Application Period, Acceptance Period and Programs available are on our school's website. [www.pcsb.org/choice](http://www.pcsb.org/choice)

➤ **PTSA:** Membership forms are now available! Please Join PTSA for only \$8!!

- Please send in your Box Tops 4 Education, Sunny D and Tyson labels to the front office.
- PTSA fundraiser items will be delivered to the school on **Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**. Any student with large orders, parents are to come after 3:30pm and before 4:30pm to pick up the items.

○ **SPIRIT WEAR IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE!**

### General Announcements:

- When needing to pick your child up from school early for an appointment please call ahead to the grade level offices to let the clerk know when you will be at school. This will speed up the process especially if your child is on the PE field and needs to come in to change clothes before leaving or during lunches.
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade office extension 2129
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade office extension 2133
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade office extension 2126
  - Make sure to bring in a Photo ID to check out your child.
  - **NO PERMITS TO LEAVE WILL BE GIVEN AFTER 3:45PM EACH DAY.**
  - **ALL PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES ARE HELD ON TUESDAY MORNINGS @ 8:50am.**
- From the Nurse: Please make sure your child is knows the importance of drinking plenty of water. Flu season is here! Please make sure your child is fever free for 24 hours before sending them back to school.

- From the Cafeteria: Please go to [www.myschoolapps.com](http://www.myschoolapps.com) to apply online for Free and Reduced Lunches. It does take a few days for final approval. If you received the letter from Pinellas County Schools that you do not need to go online this is still true. This applies to all other families. **Letters are being sent home for students owing money via your student or mail.**
- There are **still seats available** in our YMCA program. If you are interested in this program for your child please go to [www.ymcasuncoast.org](http://www.ymcasuncoast.org) to register.

- Buy your **OSCEOLA MIDDLE** yearbook for only \$35.00!  
**Online/Phone Orders:** September 1 - December 17

### **School Orders: December 10 - December 14**

Checks should be made payable to OSCEOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL, and the student's name and home phone number should be in the bottom left corner.

To use a credit card to order your yearbook call 1.866.287.3096 or go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com) and use order number 0355.

- **Extended Learning Opportunities:** ELP offers credit recovery, course tutoring, assessment preparation, and remediation for participating students. Students will be able to sign up during lunches. For the schedule please click on the link provided. <https://www.pcsb.org/cms/lib/FL01903687/Centricity/Domain/6390/ELP%20Schedule%20OMS%202018-19.pdf>
  - Morning ELP – Ensure your student is at the car circle gate at 8AM. Teachers will not wait for students that are late as they must start their tutoring session.
  - After School ELP – Promptly pick-up your student at 5PM (5:10PM for STEM) in the car circle. It is essential that students be picked up on time in order to ensure students will be permitted to continue future ELP sessions.
  - Students not passing a class will receive a letter to sign up for Credit Recovery, please send these letters back in so we can get the student signed up and start Credit Recovery.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!** We need volunteers for the front office and testing proctors. Please contact Ms. Mizia at [miziaa@pcsb.org](mailto:miziaa@pcsb.org) to schedule time to help out.

**Additional Important Dates: YEARBOOK SALES IN CAFÉ \$35 LAST CHANCE**

- **Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**
  - Girls Basketball Away @ Pinellas Park MS
  - Strings & Guitar Concert Winter Concert 7pm in the Gym
  
- **Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**
  - CSI Club
  - Boys Basketball HOME vs. Pinellas Park MS
  
- **Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**
  - Gaming Club
  - PMAC Meeting
  - Girls Basketball Away @ Seminole MS
  
- **Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**
  - STEM Club
  - Boys Basketball HOME vs. Seminole MS
  
- **Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**
  - Unclub - Meet at the Gate by the front office at 8:30am - G202
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Period Mid Term Exam**
  - MOVIE IN THE COURTYARD & OPEN GYM NIGHT 5:30-9pm
    - \$5.00 + Canned Food Item for PTSA Members
    - \$10 + Canned Food Item for Non PTSA Members
    - Admission INCLUDES Slice of Pizza & Drink
    - Other items for sale: hot chocolate, cookies, popcorn
    - Parents NOT STAYING MUST sign their child in.

**Next Week**

**Mid Term Exams**

**12/17- 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Periods**

**12/18 - 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Periods**

**12/19 - 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Periods**

Thank you, Mrs. Cochran and OMS Choral program and Musical Theater for a job well done with your holiday performance!





Thank you, Mr. Ellis and OMS Bands for a great winter concert!



Take Stock In Children Scholarship recipients listened to Mr. Mendenez talk about higher education and figuring out early what they want to do study.



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SUPPORT EMPLOYEE AND TEACHERS OF THE YEAR!

**Craig Sidorowicz – Civics Teacher**  
**Patrick Kelly – Vocational Teacher**  
**Claudia Levecque – Data Management Teachnician**

