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Welcome to Ocoee High School!

Knight Fever 2023

August 8, 2023

Welcome Back Knights!

Dr. Lisa Karcinski

Proud Principal of Ocoee High School



Welcome to Knight NAtion

- Academic and Behavioral expectations are high at Ocoee High School
 - This past year we recorded the highest outcomes in High School History
- PLEASE monitor your students social media activity. Do you know what they are posting/sending?
- Students Get involved
 - We have so many clubs/sports/extracurriculars There is something for everyone
- Be kind
 - Education starts at home Please talk to your children about your expectations
- Parents Get involved
 - PTSA and SAC meetings are the first Tuesday of every month. This is the best way to find out what's happening at the school. There is a PTSA booth so please stop by.
- Communication We have four primary modes of communication

Communication



Sign up to receive our Community Brief, The Knight News!

https://tinyurl.com/theknightnews



Assistant Principals









English Language Arts, Student Services, SAFE, Credit Recovery

Thomas O'Brien

AICE/3DE, Arts, CTE, Digital, Facilities, SGA, World Languages, JROTC

Erin Verhelst-Wagner

ELL, Math, Testing, Senior Math and Reading

Renee Green

Science, ESE, Athletics, Clinic, SAC, Tutoring

Deans

Willie Anderson Columbia Dean

Pernell Croskey Harvard Dean AICE A-Ra; Che-G Room 402



Carl Holden Yale Dean AICE Re-Z; A-Cha; H-Mc Room 620

Me-Z

Room 552



Monique Morris Attendance Dean Room 519



2023-2024 Bell Schedule

Period	M, T, Th, F	Wednesday	Period
1	7:20 - 8:14	7:20 - 8:04	1
2	8:20 - 9:10	8:10 - 8:50	2
3	9 <mark>:16 - 1</mark> 0:06	8:56 - 9:36	3
4	10:12 - 11:02	9:42 - 10:22	4
5 A Lunch	11:02 - 11:32	10:22 - 10:52	5 A Lunch
5 A Class	11:38 - 12:28	10:58 - 11:38	5 A Class
5 B Class	11:08 - 11:58	10:28 - 11:0 <mark>8</mark>	5 B Class
5 B Lunch	11:58 - 12:28	11:08 - 11:38	5 B Lunch
6	12:34 - 1:24	11:44 - 12:24	6
7	1:30 - 2:20	12:30 - 1:10	7

A Lunch: Upstairs 400 500 600

B Lunch: Downstairs 400 500 600 800 Media & Gym

Policies

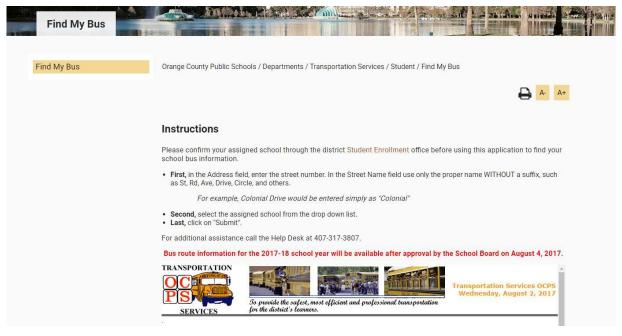
Attendance

- Excused absence forms should be submitted within 48 hours of any absence to Ms. Bruton
- If your child is coming late to school. Please park in a visitor spot and walk them into the front office to sign in. Students cannot sign themselves in.
- You can monitor your child's attendance on Skyward (full day and by period)
- Failure to attend school can lead to truancy court and revocation of license
- Attendance is tied to various privileges (Parking, Dances, going to practice, playing in athletic contests, etc.)
- The State of Florida considers a child with more than 14 unexcused absences to be habitually truant. You will start to receive letters home once your child has 5 unexcused absences.

Transportation

Bus information is available at OCPS.net on the homepage under Newcomers - Find My Bus. Simply insert the street number and street

name only, then select *Ocoee High.*



Transportation

Bus information is also available on the OCPS mobile app in the Play Store or iTunes.

Simply install the app, choose transportation and then "Find a bus."



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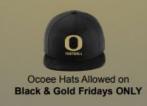
- Cell Phones/Headphones/Smart Watches
 - There are no cell phones, earbuds or smartwatches allowed from the 1st bell to the last bell. (No passing period/No Lunch)
 - 7:20-2:20 Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri and 7:20-1:10 on Wednesday
 - Must be silenced and concealed in backpack or purse all day
- There will be reminders the first two days of school
- If student is using a cell phone is will be confiscated and locked up.
 - Changes: Students can pick up their phones now at the end of the day or in the morning. (They cannot do it during instructional time though. *That is important if your child rides a bus.)
 - Cell Phone violations now lead to discipline referrals
 - This is now a State and District policy.

Policies

Dress Code

 Aligns with the OCPS Code of Student Conduct. All students enrolled in an OCPS school must read and acknowledge the COSC. We will review this with students the first week of school.

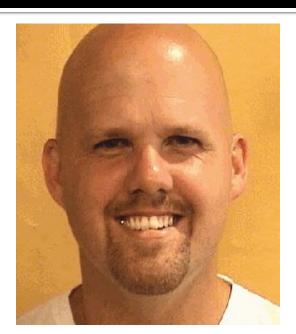
Pants Ripped Cover Head Crop Tops Above Mid-Thigh See Through Leggings Above Mid-Thigh



Bandannas

Athletics

Billy Alderman Athletic Director Room 638C



www.ocoeeathletics.com

OHS Athletics

<u>Fall</u>

Football
Girls Volleyball
Bowling
Swimming & Diving
Golf
Cross Country
Spirit Cheerleading

Winter

Basketball
Soccer
Wrestling
Girls Weightlifting
Competitive Cheerleading

<u>Spring</u>

Baseball Softball

Tennis

Water Polo

Track & Field

Boys/Beach Volleyball Boys Weightlifting

Lacrosse

Girls Flag Football

OHS Athletics

Eligibility Requirements for Incoming Freshmen

1. Must have an accurate account set up on

www.athleticclearance.com

- 2. Must maintain a minimum 2.0 unweighted GPA
- 3. Have an understanding that you are a STUDENT-Athlete!

Counselors

Room 814

Ms. Julie Stallings Ms. Caitlin Diaz Ms. Nadia Morel Counselor AICE A-Ra Counselor AICE Re-Z; A-Cha Counselor Che-G **Room 810** Room 807 **Room 808**





Room 802



Ms. Nikea Coffee Counselor Me- Rom Room 813

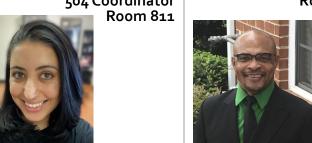






Student Services Support Team

Mr. Lloyd Ryan Behavior Specialist Ms. Rima Rabieh Ms. Karen Moore Ms. Donisha Dancy Ms. Tanuja PauPaw Staffing Specialist Academic Dean **Career Specialist** ECS (ESOL Support) Room 116 504 Coordinator Room 117 Room 638A Room 563 Room 811

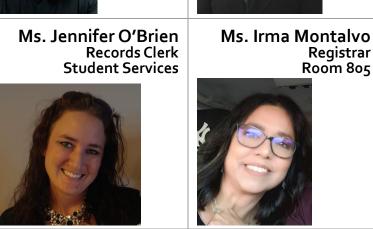


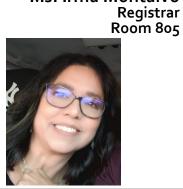












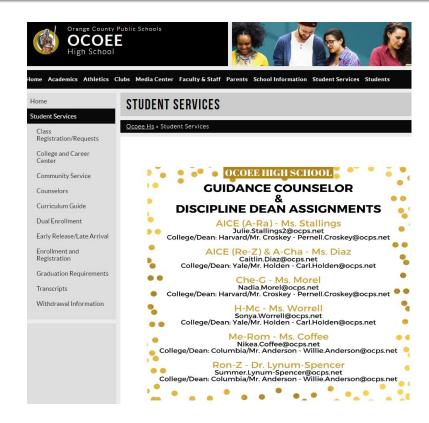




Mental Health Services Room 211 Room 806

Need to See Your Counselor?

- Students are encouraged to come in during their lunch to meet with their counselor without an appointment.
- Students/Parents can make an appointment to see their counselor by emailing them.
 Emails can be found on the school website.



Skyward Family Access



- Access Skyward through LaunchPad
- Register for LaunchPad (launch.ocps.net) using your mobile phone number or email address on file with the school (launch.ocps.net)
- Ocoee High School (or OCPS) website for directions and information on Skyward
- Additional assistance is being provided in the Media Center

Digital Platforms

Grades www.skyward.ocps.net

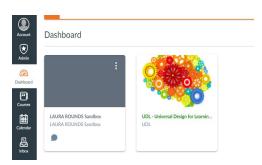


Orange County Public Schools
Orange County Public Schools - Next Year Scheduling
Database

Launchpad.ocps.net



Canvas



Graduation Requirements

- Credits
- GPA
- Required Tests



Credit Requirements

- 4 English
- 4 Math
 - Algebra 1 (1 credit)
 - Geometry (1 credit)
- 3 Science
 - Biology (1 credit)

- 3 Social Studies
 - World History (1 credit)
 - US History (1 credit)
 - American Gov/Economics (0.5 credits/ 0.5 credits)
- 1 Fine Art/Performing Art
- 1 HOPE
- 8 Electives
- 1 high school online course



Foreign Language is not required for graduation, but it is required for the Bright Futures Scholarship & admission into 4 year colleges / universities!

Grade Point Average (GPA)

- Students must have a cumulative unweighted
 GPA of 2.0 or higher in order to graduate.
- What is Weighted vs. Unweighted?

Grade	Regular	Honors	AICE, AP, DE
A	4	5	6
В	3	4	5
C	2	3	4
D	1	1	1
F	0	0	0

Required Tests for Graduation

- Reading FSA/FAST
 - Score a level 3 or higher as a Sophomore
 - Can earn concordant score after 10th grade year
- End of Course Exams

Algebra 1

 Pass with a score level of 3 or higher and counts as 30% of final grade

Biology

Counts as 30% of final grade

Geometry

Counts as 30% of final grade

US History

Counts as 30% of final grade

Testing Questions?

Email/Contact

Jennifer.Grow@ocps.net

OHS Testing Coordinator

Accelerated Classes, Senior Privileges, and On Campus/Off Campus courses

- The State of Florida expects all high school students to graduate with *at least* one accelerated opportunity.
 - We provide one opportunity *per year* for *every* student in grades 9-12.
- What does Accelerated Opportunity mean?
 - Advanced Placement (AP) class (must pass the AP exam in order for the state to recognize as accelerated)
 - AICE class (must pass the AICE exam in order for the state to recognize as accelerated)
 - Dual Enrollment (DE) class (passed)
 - Successfully earned an Industry Certification (IC)

Senior Privileges, and On Campus/Off Campus Courses

Senior Privileges

- Some seniors request to have 1 or 2 periods off campus in their senior year. Students
 are only permitted off-campus periods if they have met ALL graduation requirements
 including having passed the FSA, Alg EOC, 18 or more credits earned, and have a 2.5
 unweighted GPA.
- Additionally, in order to earn an off campus period, seniors must have already successfully completed an accelerated course by the end of their junior year.
- HOWEVER The Ocoee guidance department formally and emphatically discourages ALL Seniors from taking any off campus periods as colleges/universities expect to see students challenging themselves through the senior year, and the final transcript must show a sustained level of rigor and quality.
- Seniors must have an unweighted 2.0 GPA, a minimum of 17 of the 24 required credits, and a passing score on both assessments in order to participate in Senior Activities.

Best Practices for Success

What do I do when my child is struggling in a class?

- First- your student should communicate directly with their teacher.
- 2. Second, parent would contact teacher directly. Teachers' email addresses are their firstname.lastname@ocps.net
- 3. Third, if possible, student should attend a tutoring session in that subject area.
 - a. Tutoring is offered Tuesday and Thursday in the Media Center at 2:45PM
- 4. Schedule a parent/teacher conference
- 5. Lastly, if you need further assistance, contact your student's school counselor.

Community Service Plans





Home Academics Athletics Clubs Digital & Media Faculty & Staff Guidance Parents School Information Students

Home

Community Service

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Ocoee Hs » Guidance » Community Service

In order for students to satisfy the community service requirement for Bright Futures eligibility, they must:

- Develop a written community service plan which addresses a social problem or concern and his or her personal involvement in addressing the issue.
- · Submit community service documentation to a school counselor upon completion of the approved activity, which includes an essay or other presentation in which the student evaluates and reflects upon his or her experience.

Community service projects will not be accepted if they were completed:

- · For a family member
- . Prior to the summer before entering Grade 9

Beginning with the 2017-2018 school-year, all high schools will use the Community Service Form and Community Service Log & Reflection to document community service for OCPS students. Make sure to review the Community Service Plan Guide before filling out your plan.

School counselors must:

- Approve student plans prior to implementation.
- Review documentation upon completion.
- . Check for signatures from the student, parent/guardian, and a representative of the organization for which the student performed the volunteer service work.

Volunteer Search Websites:

Volunteer Match

Hands on Orlando

VolunteerSpot

OC	Orange Cour
PS	Public Schoo
PS	Public School

Community Service Plan

Please complete the following prior to beginning community service hours:

STUDENT NAME:	STUDENT NUMBER:	GRADE LEVEL & DATE:

Community Service Site Information

Name of Organization:		
Address:		
City/Zip Code:		
Site Supervisor Name:		
Site Supervisor Email:	Phone:	
Student Start Date:	Student End Date:	
Site Supervisor Signature:		
Decent/Consider Cinneture		

Please return a one page, typed community service plan attached to this form and have it approved by your counselor before you begin community service. In this plan you must explain the following

- . Describe the specific activity for which you will participate in to provide services
- Explain how it will address a social problem, issue, or concern in your community.

Counselor Pre-approval Signature:

Information requested below required after completion of Community Service Hours. Number of hours completed Site Supervisor Signature:

Student Signature

Required documents to be submitted upon completion of community service hours (No credit will be rewarded without the following submitted paperwork)

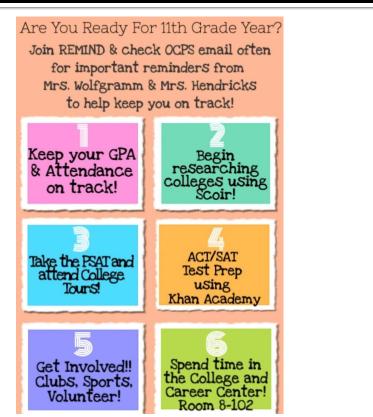
- 1 Fully completed community service form with signatures
- Completed community service log with signatures.
- 3. A typed, one page essay describing the following:
 - . How your services were beneficial for the community.
 - . How you have experienced personal growth as a result of completing community service.

A Quick Word from our CCS'...



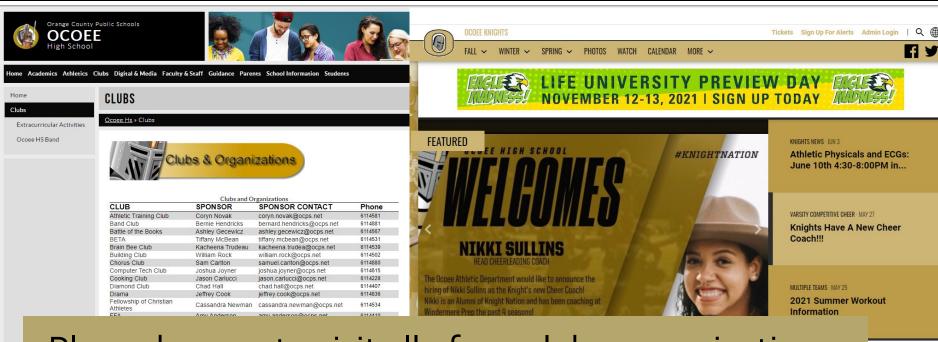


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Are You Ready For Senior Year? Join REMIND & check OCPS email often for important reminders from Mrs. Wolfgramm & Mrs. Hendricks to help keep you on track! Choose your Start your Common Top 5 or Valencia Colleges Application Beg**in** your College Register for the ACT/SAT Keep your GPA and attendance Complete your & Florida on track! Financial Aid App!

Clubs and Extracurriculars



Please be sure to visit all of our clubs, organizations, and sports under the awnings throughout the school!

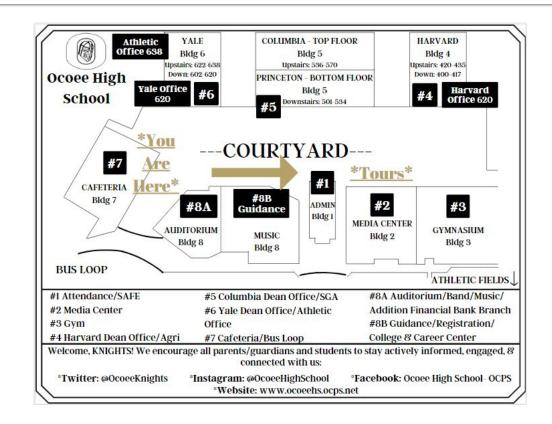
Student Schedules

Schedule Changes:

- Students will have the opportunity to potentially change their elective classes Monday and Tuesday of the **second week** of School. **An electronic form** will be available to submit their changes on both the Ocoee Home Page and the Student Services Page. **If** there is availability for that course, then the change can be made. (*This does not apply to Intensive Reading*)
- We do not change classes for lunch, specific periods, or specific teachers, and will not remove Reading or Applied Communications!
- All Students will be scheduled into an Accelerated Course: Advanced Placement, AICE, Dual Enrollment (VC, UF, UCF), or a course that has an Industry Certification Exam.

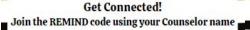
Guided Tours

- School Tours with our Principal's Committee and Student Gov't Association
- Meet a student in front of the Media Center
- Last tour is at 6:30PM



Remind Codes

REMIND Class of 2024



Ms. Stallings: AICE (A-Ra) text @ohsstall24 to 81010

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REMIND Class of 2027

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