#### TO THE PARENTS, GUARDIANS, STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

## Oakridge Middle School

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## A Message From the Principal

August 2019

Dear Oakridge Middle School Families,

On behalf of myself and the OMS staff, we welcome everyone to the 2019-2020 school year. We have been working hard and diligently to get ready for the opening of school, on August 13.

All students should be on campus by 9:00a.m. The gates to the school will be opened at 8:30a.m.

#### Students will report to the following areas (daily):

6th: Cafeteria 7th: Gym 8th: Courtyard

When students arrive to their holding area, lists will be provided for students to find their first period teacher. Students will then sit at the table or area designated for that teacher. When the late bell rings, the teachers will arrive and pick up their first period students and take them to class to begin the day. When the 9:05 late bell rings for 8th graders they will report to their first period class. Once students are in their classrooms, teachers will distribute schedules and make sure that everyone understands how to read their schedules.

Lockers will be assigned and rented for a \$3.00 fee during the first week of school. It is an expectation that all students have an individual locker, as sharing lockers is not allowed due to the size of the lockers.

This year the rotating of class periods daily will be replaced with rotating the class periods weekly. The first week of school will be 1-2-3-4-5-6-7 followed by the second week of school being 2-3-4-5-6-7-1. The schedule will rotate through 7 weeks and then begin again with 1-2-3-4-5-6-7. Parents will receive a "What's Happening" email on Friday afternoons to inform you of events for the next week including the weekly schedule.

Once again OMS has been awarded the letter grade of an A. It is my hope that we continue the hard work that students, teachers, and parents put in on an everyday basis to ensure that academic success and achievement is a top priority.

Our faculty and staff remain committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for all students. In order to meet this goal, we will be reviewing with our students the school wide policies, procedures, and expectations, so that our students demonstrate good behavior and respect for each other and their teachers daily.

Please help your child start the new year off strong by coming to

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#### Counselor's Corner

### A Message From the Principal

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school in dress code and remind them that all cell phones must be silenced and put away upon arrival to the campus.

Students will receive their planners in first period on the 13th, along with important information and papers that will need to be completed and returned to school the next day. Take the time to review all the information and respond appropriately.

Be patient during the first weeks of school, as the car line will be crowded, and bus transportation will take a little longer. After a few weeks, everyone will be acclimated to dismissal and arrival procedures!

Thank-you for your continued support of Oakridge Middle School and I believe 2019-2020 will be our best year yet!

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whether you are on

track to meet your

financial goals

#### **Go Bulldogs!**

Principal OMS

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M. Jackson



I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, my name is Andrea Kirk. I am joining the Oakridge family as a School Counselor this year. I have previously worked at Oakridge Middle School and am very excited to be returning. Janet Boe and Barbara Clark are returning as school counselors completing our counseling department.

As a School Counseling Department, our primary responsibility is to promote the academic, personal, and social development of all students. We look forward to offering support to the students, staff, families and community. We will be meeting with students individually, conducting classroom lessons, meeting with parents, collaborating with teachers and staff, and consulting with community organizations to benefit and meet the needs of students and families.

Any student can request to meet with their counselor or they can be referred by a teacher, administrator, or parent. I encourage you to reach out if you have concerns regarding your child. If you would like for one of us to meet with your child, please do not hesitate to contact us. No problem is too big or small and your school counselor is a great place to start.

We are here to help students achieve their personal/social and academic goals, as well as provide support for the parents and teachers. Wishing everyone a great start to the 2019-2020 school year!!

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#### Student Arrival and Departure

Oakridge employees are not responsible for supervising students arriving on campus more than 30 minutes before school begins or 30 minutes after the end of the school day (3:50). Students should not be on campus before 8:25 unless there is a purpose (academic, club, or athletics). Similarly, students should not be on campus after 04:15, unless participating in the After-School Enrichment Program, a sponsored club, or athletics.



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## **Student Supply Checklist**

2019-2020 School Year – All courses all the time



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6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
1 - 3"Three ring zipper binder	1 - 3"Three-ringed zippered binder	1 - 3" Three ring zipper binder
1 - Package of 7 plastic pocket	1 - Package – wide ruled notebook paper, loose (keep	1 - Pencil pouch
subject dividers	about 50 sheets in binder)	1 - Package of #2 pencils
2 - Packages of wide-ruled	1 - Pencil pouch	1 - Package of blue or black ink
notebook paper, loose (min.	1 - Pencil sharpener with cover for shavings (keep in pencil	pens
100 sheets)	pouch)	1 - Package of colored pencils
1 - Pencil pouch	1 - Package – #2 pencils (keep 5 in pencil pouch)	(set of 12)
1 - Hand held pencil sharpener	1 - Box colored pencils (set of 12)	1 - Large eraser or eraser caps
(with cover for shavings)	1 - Blue or Black pen (keep in pencil pouch)	1 - Ear buds
1 - Highlighter (keep in pencil pouch)	1 - Earbuds (keep in pencil pouch)	2 or 3 Packages of college
2 - Packages of #2 pencils (keep 5 in	<u>Math</u>	ruled notebook paper
pencil pouch)	1 - Three-prong two pocket folder	(minimum 100 sheets)
1 - Blue/black pen	1 - Spiral notebook	Math
1 - Box of colored pencils	1- Dry erase markers	1 - Package graph paper, dry erase marker
1 - Ear Buds - For computer usage	1 - Pencil eraser	Science
(keep in pencil pouch)	Civics	1 - College ruled spiral
Math	2 - 70 Page spiral notebooks	notebook (100+ page
1 - Spiral notebook	4 - Different colors of post-it-notes	count)
1 - Folder (3-prong with pockets,	Double sided tape for notebooks	History
solid color only)	Glue stick	1 - College ruled spiral
ELA	ELA	notebook (100+ page
1 – 3 Subject notebook with pocket	1-inch 3 Ring binder for ELA only (this binder stays in the	count)
dividers	ELA classroom)	<u>Spanish</u>
1 - Package of post-it notes	Dividers for binder	1 - College ruled 3 subject
1 - Package of index cards (4 by 6)	1 - Spiral notebook	spiral notebook (100+
4 - Glue sticks	Sticky Notes	page count)
<u>Science</u>	5 x 8 Index Cards	ELA
1 - Composition Notebook	Highlighters – Pink, Green	1 - 5 Subject spiral notebook
1 - Glue stick	Glue Stick or Double-sided tape	1 - Package of index cards
1 - Folder	Science	1 - Package of Post it notes
Social Studies	1 - Spiral notebook	1 - Glue stick
1 - 1 Subject spiral notebook	1 - Composition book	
	1 - 3 prong, 2 pocket folder.	

These supplies will need to be replenished and/or replace throughout the school year.





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#### Immunizations

All students entering 7th grade must have the following immunization on record with the school before classes begin on the 13th. Please contact Linda Campbell, in the office if you have any questions.

- DTaP Series (Note: If final dose was administered before 4 years of age, an additional dose is required.)
- 1 dose of Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis (T dap)
- Polio Series\*
- Hepatitis B series
- 2 doses of Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
- 2 doses of Varicella (chickenpox)

\*Note: If final dose was administered **before** 4 years of age, an additional dose is required. A 4th dose is not required if the 3rd dose is administered at 4 years of age or older. If the 4th dose was administered **prior to** the fourth birthday, a 5th dose of polio<u>is</u> required.

#### Student Clubs, After School Programs & Athletics

These are a few of the programs offered in the past:

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#### **Athletic Director:**

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#### Office of Attendance and Discipline

#### **Reminders:**

All CCPS students will be required to wear a school provided Identification Badge. This is part of the dress code and must be worn with a lanyard around the students neck during the entire school day.

Dress for success! Students need to comply with the OMS dress code policy EVERY DAY! Before you walk out the door each morning ask yourself if what you have on will be appropriate for OMS.

The CCPS Transportation Department will not allow students to ride a different bus. Make sure you plan accordingly!

Be sure to update parent information in the Parent Portal.

To report a student absence, please call 239-377-4831.

#### On time all day, every day!

Students who are tardy and/or absent from class are more likely to fall behind and have an overall lower academic performance. CCPS introduced the "On Time All Day, Every Day" campaign last year, we will be placing a greater emphasis on student attendance in an effort to reinforce the importance of a full instructional class period. Parents, if your child is absent, please call the absence line at (239) 377-4831 to validate the day missed. If your child was at a doctor/ dental/legal office, we ask that you to please have your student bring that documentation to school or have it faxed to our office at (239) 377-4801. It is important to get all absences excused as soon as possible as district policy states that excused notes should be turned in within 48 hours of the absence.

#### **Electronic Cigarettes**

A universal concern amongst teenagers nationwide has been the use of electronic cigarettes (Juuls, Vapes, Blu, etc...). Electronic cigarettes are specifically addressed in the CCPS Student Code of Conduct and may not be present or used on any school

campus during school-sponsored activities (on or off campus). This rule applies to all students including those who have reached 18 years of age. Students who are in possession of any part of an electronic cigarette while on campus will be subject to suspension, a citation from the Collier County Sheriff's Office and further consequences including a violation of the Athletic Code of Conduct (if applicable), as well as possible recommendation for alternative placement. Please be sure to speak to your child about the seriousness and the consequences of using electronic cigarettes.



#### Enhanced School Security Measures

If you wish to gain access to the school, please be informed that this is the process to enter the school building. Please note that this is a district–wide process, and this procedure will be followed at all Collier County Schools. This enhanced layer of security has been established to protect students and staff across our campuses.

#### <u>Please be informed, the following will</u> <u>be required:</u>

- Have a state issued picture ID out and ready to display.
- You will be required to display an ID in a camera that is posted to the right side of the reception door. Please note there will be a sign at the school entrance indicating the required document/ process for school access.
- Once you have provided your ID and have spoken to the school receptionist stating your purpose, you will be buzzed into the reception area where you will be checked in once again and provided a visitor's badge. You may then enter the school and proceed to the appropriate office.
- Please remember to check out/sign out at the reception area by returning your visitor's badge upon exiting the building. Please note: you will need to go through the first step of this process even if you are just coming to drop-off supplies for your child.



Dress Code 2019-2020

Students and parents need to be aware of the importance of good grooming and its effect upon the learning environment. Good taste is knowing where and when to wear the appropriate clothing and accessories. Since the home provides the funds, guidance, and upkeep of the student's clothing worn in school, it is the responsibility of the parent to see that grooming reflects the modesty and good taste expected in school. In addition to the OMS Dress Code, all other aspects of the CCPS Code of Conduct for dress also apply. No ripped or torn clothing is allowed to be worn. Clarification page is also on the OMS website.

#### Student ID

Student ID with grade appropriate lanyard must be worn at all times.



#### Tops

- Any solid color collared polo style shirt, long or short sleeved. Polo shirt may have a logo if smaller than 2" in size.
- Bottom of shirt 1-3" below waist.
- Any OMS shirt is acceptable on Spirit Days only.

#### Outerwear

- Solid colored outerwear only.
- Logo is acceptable if smaller than 2" in size.
- Polo shirts must be visible beneath the outerwear (collar showing). Option to wear OMS sanctioned logo.

#### **Bottoms**

- Solid color knee length shorts, skorts, skirts, or polo style dresses. Solid color pants or jeans (NO jeggings, yoga pants).
- No athletic shorts, sweat pants, or stretchy (lycra) material. All bottoms must sit at waist.

#### Footwear

Closed toed and closed heel shoes only. No heels, wheels or rollers.







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#### Dress Code Clarifications

Students and parents need to be aware of the importance of good grooming and its effect upon the learning environment. Good taste is knowing where and when to wear the appropriate clothing and accessories. Since the home provides the funds, guidance, and upkeep of the student's clothing worn in school, it is the responsibility of the parent to see that grooming reflects the modesty and good taste expected in school. The following dress and grooming requirements are to be followed by all students as may be reasonably determined by the Principal. Other requirements may be made to avoid disruption of the educational process. When a question arises on a clarification, Administration will refer to Rule #11, "Dress and Grooming Code" in the Collier County Code of Student Conduct.

#### Tops

- Any solid color collared polo style shirt, long or short sleeved. Logo acceptable if smaller than 2" in size or without logo is fine as well. Bottom of shirt 1-3" below waist.
- Any OMS shirt is acceptable on Spirit Days only.
- Shirts meant to be worn as a stand alone shirt MAY NOT be worn over the polo style shirt. Example: T-shirts (short & long sleeve) over the polo shirt.

#### Bottoms/Dresses

- Solid color knee length <u>dresses</u>, shorts, skorts or skirts. (refer to rule 11, #10 concerning length)
- Solid color pants or jeans (no jeggings, yoga pants, or other "stretch" materials, or sophies). All bottoms must sit at waist.



• No athletic shorts, sweat pants, or stretchy (lycra or lycra-like) material.



#### Footwear

- <u>Closed toe AND heel shoes only. No clogs or croc-style shoes</u>
- No heels, wheels, or rollers.

#### Outerwear

- Hooded sweatshirts are permitted as long as polo collar showing and no logo greater then 2 inches is visible. Button down sweater with polo collar showing are also permitted as outerwear.
- Outerwear is defined as a sweatshirt, sweater, or jacket. (the material is of a heavier quality material thicker than the average long & short sleeve t-shirt)
- Shirts intended/meant, by the manufacturer to be worn as shirts cannot substitute as a jacket/outerwear. Example: Long sleeve flannel-style shirts worn over a polo is not permitted; **a button down dress shirt is not permitted over a polo shirt.**



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#### **ID Badges**

- Students are issued an ID badge and a lanyard at no cost at the start of the new school year. Students must wear and properly display their badge by wearing it around their neck with the school issued lanyard Students must not alter their badge in any way.
- Failure to wear the badge, or display it properly will/can result in disciplinary actions in accordance with a dress code violation.
- If a student loses his/her badge a replacement badge can be purchased







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