



OHSFC PARENT NEWSLETTER

Week of: 08/27/2023

If I could give parents one bit of advice as they enter the tween and teen years, it would be that they don't need to react to every unpleasant behavior.

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Deadlines & Due Dates

- Labor Day Holiday – Sept 4th No School
- Progress Reports go home Wed Sept 13th
- Early Release Day Sept. 15th

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And just like that we are two weeks through the first quarter of school year 2023 – 2024. The past 2 weeks have flown by as students have learned not only academics but some key elements of The Brahman Way. Lessons will continue over the next few weeks and faculty reward students with Brahman Bucks when they display PRIDE on campus. Our first lunchtime PBIS event to redeem those Brahman Bucks in September. Check out our [PBIS Rewards Program](#) for some BB purchases students can make in addition to our mid quarter and end of quarter events. Many of our teachers also allow students to redeem Brahman Bucks for food and other rewards in their classrooms.

Safety is the most important responsibility we have to our students and staff. This year, we have made some changes to our Common Language for Safety in an effort to make it easier to understand how we respond to emergency situations. Within our school setting, we practice drills with students and staff for each response, sometimes using a scenario that might occur on a campus. Our **Shelter in Place** response is used for situations where student movement needs to be limited so as to allow administrators and law enforcement to investigate a situation. Class activities continue as usual, with all doors and windows locked and limited visual access to rooms. Staff are reminded to stay alert in this situation and await further instructions. Parents are notified via Facebook post once the situation is resolved. In a **Lockdown** situation, there is an imminent threat on campus. All doors are locked and class lights are off with no outside visual access. Students are trained for this situation using Alert Training. Here is the [link for the ALERT training](#) if you would like to view it. No movement of students without administrative or law enforcement direction is allowed during this situation.. An **Evacuation** response would be needed when it would be unsafe to be in the building. Students would be given directions to evacuate to a pre-designated assembly area with designated team members from our faculty that would be assigned communication, evacuation, and reunification roles during the event. Please talk with your student about the need to take our drills for each situation seriously so that they would be prepared if a real situation were to occur.

Please see this [Right to Know Letter](#) in regards to requesting information about the qualifications of your child's teachers and paraprofessionals. This letter was also sent home with students the first week of school. If you still have any of the forms sent home on Monday, August 14th, please return them. Especially important is the form to update student information. We need the most current addresses, phone numbers, and emails in Skyward so we can communicate effectively with parents and guardians. The Over the Counter drug form must be signed and on file for our clinic aide to be able to administer over the counter drugs we keep on hand for headaches, upset stomach, etc.

As we purchase books to add our library, we would like your input before those books go on the shelves. If you would like to see what books are being added, go to the [Okeechobee High School Freshman Campus website](#) and look for the "Review Books Being Considered for Purchase" section. When you click on the link in that section, it will take you to a list of the books being considered as well as a form to fill out if you object to any of the books.

Wednesday, Sept 13th students will bring home progress reports for the first 9 weeks. Please review and sign and return if requested by the teacher. The time for students to start building their high school GPA is right now – discuss grades and how to maintain or improve between now and the end of the quarter. Accepting no zeros is the first step in helping students move forward!

Friday, September 15th is an Early Release Day. Our school day for these days at OHSFC ends at 10:25. If you are picking your student up they will be in the bus circle after buses clear at 10:30. Walkers will also release from the bus circle after buses clear.



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This Week at a Glance

Date	@ School	Home or On Campus	Away
Monday 8/28			Cross Country @ Lake Placid 5:15 pm
Tuesday 8/29	Sunshine Action Team Meeting 2:00 pm in 205	Volleyball v Moore Haven 5:00 pm	
Wednesday 8/30	PRIDE Time – Wellness Wednesday Video		Cross Country @ Wayne Cross 5:30 pm
Thursday 8/31	FAST ELA Test Administration Training		Volleyball @ Sebring 5:00 pm Girls Golf @ Sebastian 3:30 pm Varsity Football @ St. Edwards 7:15 pm
Friday 9/1	Gifted meets with Mrs. Aaron		
Saturday 9/2		Volleyball Tournament 9 am	

Next Week at a Glance

Date	@ School	Home or On Campus	Away
Monday 9/4	Labor Day – No School		Boy's Golf @ Clewiston 2:00 pm
Tuesday 9/5			Volleyball @ Vero Beach 4:30 pm
Wednesday 9/6	FAST ELA PM 1 Testing Safety Team Meeting 2:00 pm		
Thursday 9/7		JV Football v/s PSL Central 6:00 pm	Boys Golf @ South Fork 3:00 pm Volleyball @ St. Edwards 6:00 pm
Friday 9/8		V Football v/s Ambassador Academy 6:00 pm *Veteran's Night	
Saturday 9/9			