



OG Newsletter

- Ockley Green Middle school -

September 15, 2020

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Administrator Message

Good Afternoon Ockley Families, Students, and Community:

Happy Tuesday! We hope you are taking care of each other and staying safe. We will continue daily updates with screenshots of the next day's schedule all week so you can plan accordingly. Please reach out if you have any questions. Just a reminder, Ockley Green does not have anyone in the office at this time. You can still leave a voicemail for the office staff if you need to reach them and they will return your phone call. The quickest way to reach the office staff is to email them at Shakyla Mosley (Principal's Secretary, smosley@pps.net) and Mykayla Allen (School Secretary, mallen2@pps.net). We also wanted to let you know that Ockley will not be a Nutrition site tomorrow and we will keep you posted as to when our school will be. The construction continues to delay this from happening.

Today was the second day on the new [Comprehensive Distance Learning Schedule](#). Students met LIVE with periods 4, 5, 6, 7, and Advisory. Starting tomorrow, individual teachers will be scheduling Small Group Instruction (SGI), Office Hours (OH), or Asynchronous Learning (AL). This is a teacher driven schedule and individual teachers are required to communicate with students and families about the schedule for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday each week. Because this is new for all of us and all middle schools are using the same schedule, we ask for flexibility and grace. If you have feedback about the Asynchronous learning days (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday) feel free to email us. We will read your feedback and adjust accordingly.

The OG Helpline operates daily from 9:15 AM to 2:15 PM. The OG Helpline will be staffed with at least two staff members at all times consisting of counselors, student support staff, and secretaries. If students or families need support getting to classes, troubleshooting technology issues, working out their emotional stress, doing classwork, navigating conflict at school or home, and any other issues that may arise, they can go to g.co/meet/OGHelpLine.

The schedule for Wednesday (9/16/20) is pasted below. The schedule for the week is located [HERE](#) with the Google Meet codes and Advisory Small Group (Lunch Club) information. We will continue to send out daily newsletters until the end of next week. We are working on creating a centralized and user friendly website for all OG information and hope it will be up and running by 9/21/20. We will keep you posted.

Thank you and please reach out if you have any questions!

Kristina, Regina, and Aaron
Ockley Green Admin Team



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Wellness Wednesday	
8:30 - 9:30 AM	Breakfast Wellness Activity
9:30 - 10:15 AM	Period 1 (SGI, OH, AL)
10:30 - 11:15 AM	Period 2 (SGI, OH, AL)
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Period 3 (SGI, OH, AL)
Lunch 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch Wellness Activity
1:00 PM - 1:45 PM	Period 1 Advisory Small Group
1:45 PM - 2:30 PM	Applied Learning (student work time)
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	Applied Learning (student work time)
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	Applied Learning (student work time)

Additional information from last week's newsletter:

As many of you know, PPS was scheduled to offer BLM Lessons during the Soft Start Week days, but they were suspended. The lessons were created at the district level by a team of educators from different middle schools including Ockley Green. We have yet to hear when these lessons will take place and therefore, Ockley has created and will be infusing BLM lessons into our mandatory advisory periods. It's a nonnegotiable for us. We must address race/identity, racial equity, white supremacy, and current movements/protests. Please reach out to Principal Howard at khoward3@pps.net if you have any questions.

OG building construction is delayed and the [OG nutrition site will not start until Wednesday, September 16.](#) Please continue to use other district sites until September 16.

And we have some exciting news. Chris Riser has set up an Ockley Green PTA Bottle Drop account. You can use the link [HERE](#) to donate directly from your own bottle drop account to Ockley Green's account. We will be using the money donated to help with teacher grants, events, and many other things.

YouTube Videos:



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[Google Meet How To](#) - This video will help you log into a Google Meet.

[Parent/Student Vue and Soft Start Schedule](#) - This video will help you determine your student's schedule in Parent or Student Vue and how to utilize the Soft Start Schedule

Additional Helpful Links:

[Ockley Green Comprehensive Distance Learning Schedule Starting 9/14/20](#)

[Getting Started with ParentVue and StudentVue](#)

[Comprehensive Distance Learning Platform & Tools](#)

[OG Sample Virtual Planner for Students \(to be taught on Wednesday and Thursday\)](#)

[PPS Fall 2020 Information](#)

[District Soft Start Information](#)

Family and Student Resource - "How to Prepare for Online School"

Ockley's amazing Student Engagement Coach, Alisha Kelley, has put together the PowerPoint resource titled "How to Prepare for Online School". You can find the PowerPoint [HERE](#). Please reach out to her at akelley@pps.net if you have any questions or need support.

Recursos para la familia y el estudiante - "Cómo prepararse para la escuela en línea"

La increíble entrenadora de compromiso estudiantil de Ockley, Alisha Kelley, ha reunido el recurso de PowerPoint titulado "Cómo prepararse para la escuela en línea". Puede encontrar el PowerPoint [AQUÍ](#). Por favor, comuníquese con ella en akelley@pps.net si tiene alguna pregunta o necesita ayuda.

A message from our amazing counseling team: (We shared this earlier this week, and wanted to share again)

Dear Ockley Families:

Our school counselors would love to invite you to join our Ockley Green Counselor Connections. The communication will happen through the Remind app. You do not need to have the app to join the group for updates from your student's school counselor. This is a way for us to connect directly with families.

6th grade remind for family connection <https://www.remind.com/join/fhagg2b>

7th grade remind for family connection <https://www.remind.com/join/2c3dfc3>

8th grade remind for family connection <https://www.remind.com/join/fadh47>

If your student has the last name A-K then Mrs. Stone is their school counselor
If your student has the last name L- Z then Ms. Galen is their school counselor



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Estimadas familias de Ockley:

A nuestros consejeros escolares les encantaría invitarlos a unirse a nuestras Conexiones de Consejeros de Ockley Green. La comunicación ocurrirá a través de la aplicación Remind. No necesita tener la aplicación para unirse al grupo para obtener actualizaciones del consejero escolar de su hijo. Esta es una forma de conectarnos directamente con las familias.

Recordatorio de 6to grado para la conexión familiar <https://www.remind.com/join/fhagg2b>

7° grado recordar para la conexión familiar <https://www.remind.com/join/2c3dfc3>

Recordatorio de octavo grado para la conexión familiar <https://www.remind.com/join/fadh47>

Si su estudiante tiene el apellido A-K, entonces la señora Stone es su consejera escolar

Si su estudiante tiene el apellido L-Z, entonces la señora Galen es su consejera escolar

El horario para mañana (9/10/20) se pega a continuación y continuaré enviando boletines diarios hasta mediados de la próxima semana. ¡Gracias y por favor comuníquese si tiene alguna pregunta!

A message from our (bi-lingual) community agent, Sandra Luna

Hi there OG family! My name is Sandra Luna and I am the OG community agent. I'm here to assist families in need of support. You can also reach out to me if you're in need of a device/WiFi or needing classroom codes for online learning.

My email is svillaluna@pps.net

Phone # (503) 897-0662

I am available at OCKLEY Monday-Friday from 12:30-4:00pm

Hola familias de la escuela OG, mi nombre es Sandra Luna. Soy agente comunidad de OG. Hablo español. Estoy aquí para ayudar a las familias que necesitan apoyo. También puede comunicarse conmigo si necesita una computadora y WiFi, también si necesita los códigos para asistir a las clases virtuales en línea.

Mi correo electrónico es svillaluna@pps.net

Teléfono # (503) 897-0662

Estoy disponible en OCKLEY de lunes a viernes de 12:30-4:00pm

Horario de inicio suave de Ockley Green y códigos de Google Meet para 9/2 - 9/11:

- Este documento es el mismo que el documento del distrito ubicado debajo y enviado anteriormente, excepto con más información específica de Ockley Green. Hay códigos de Google Meet para todos los profesores al final del documento. **Asegúrese de consultar este documento diariamente durante las próximas dos semanas.**



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Ockley Green Programa integral de aprendizaje a distancia que comienza el 14/9/20:

- Comenzaremos el programa de Aprendizaje a Distancia Integral de OG el lunes 14 de septiembre. Durante la segunda semana de Soft Start (9/8 - 9/11), los maestros ayudarán a los estudiantes a comprender el horario de Aprendizaje Integral a Distancia. A partir del 14 de septiembre, es importante consultar este documento diariamente.

Videos de YouTube:

[Google Meet How To](#) - Este video le ayudará a iniciar sesión en un Google Meet.

[Vue de padres/estudiantes y programa Soft Start](#) - Este video le ayudará a determinar el horario de su estudiante en Vue de padres o estudiantes y cómo utilizar el programa Soft Start

Enlaces útiles adicionales:

[Comenzando con ParentVue y StudentVue](#)

[Plataforma y herramientas integrales de aprendizaje a distancia](#)

[Planificador virtual de muestra OG para estudiantes \(que se impartirá el miércoles y el jueves\)](#)

[Información de Otoño 2020 de PPS](#)

[Información de inicio suave del distrito](#)

Devices and Hotspots

Do you need a device or hotspot?

For successful distance learning, we know Chromebooks and hotspots are a must. Please take our survey and let us know if you're in need. Our team will be working on making sure these devices are delivered to families. If you need multiple devices, please make sure that you fill out one survey per student as soon as possible.

Para el éxito de la educación a distancia, sabemos Chromebooks y puntos de acceso son una necesidad. Por favor, tome nuestra encuesta y háganos saber si usted está en necesidad. Nuestro equipo trabajará para asegurarse de que estos dispositivos se entreguen a las familias. Si necesita varios dispositivos, asegúrese de completar una encuesta por estudiante.

Please complete - [OG Technology Google Form](#)

Schedule Change Requests and Counselor Caseloads

- For 6th, 7th and 8th-grade students who forecasted for electives in the spring, their requests were entered into our Synergy system and processed along with all other students' requests.



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- **If your student did not forecast** for electives before the summer, you will need to reach out to their school counselor with your student's elective request. Before you email your counselor, have your student complete the appropriate forecasting form. The forms are only accessible when students are logged into their district provided Gmail accounts.

[6th Grade Course Request](#)

[7th Grade Course Request](#)

[8th Grade Course Request](#)

- Counselors can work within existing class schedules to try to make adjustments, if possible, given class sizes/course loads; however, they are not able to restructure core classes at this time.
- Students are not guaranteed elective selections. Elective forecasting is a tool for students to express preferences, which we will do our best to incorporate into student schedules via the Synergy scheduling system.
- All schedule change requests need to be done before Friday, September 25th. Students will need to go through the [Class Change Process](#) after September 25.

PPS Help Desk for Families

The start of the school year can be a bit overwhelming in normal circumstances, and we know that the pandemic means a number of additional variables to navigate this year, including technology.

We invite all families to visit pps.net/fall2020 to access a full set of orientation videos and other resources, translated into our district-supported languages, to help you better understand the learning platforms students and teachers will use this fall. You will also find information on how to log on to the platforms, how to connect to the internet, and other helpful tips.

If you or your student is still struggling with any of the aspects of learning technology, we hope you will call the PPS Technology Help Desk, which is open from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on school days. We will answer your questions and share information and helpful tips about anything related to distance learning technology. The Technology Help Desk is available in all PPS-supported languages. Email support@pps.net or call us:

- English: 503-916-3375
- Español: 503-916-3582
- 中文 : 503-916-3585
- Tiếng Việt: 503-916-3584
- Soomaali: 503-916-3586
- Русский: 503-916-3583

Remind, Google Classroom, Synergy, etc. data sync



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Many students and families have been waiting for the various tools available including Remind, Google Classroom, Canvas, and Synergy to show the same data regarding student schedules. We believe at this time the information in Synergy (accessible via the ParentVue and StudentVue systems) should be updated and showing accurate information. We believe the other systems should begin reflecting that information if they don't already do so now.

Parent Facing Page on Atlas

Families can now view the PPS curriculum in Atlas by visiting <https://pps-public.rubiconatlas.org/Atlas/Public/View/Default>

SUN School

Hello, My name is Mr. Lawson and I'm the new SUN School Director at Ockley Green. The SUN School program's mission is to provide access to educational support, enrichment and recreational activities, skill development, and community involvement programs. I would like to know what kind of support I can give to our community at this time, whether its energy assistance, rent assistance, or any other type of support. Please feel free to send me an email.

jamarri@selfenhancement.org

