

Good Afternoon Ockley Green Families,

Thank you so much for your support! We are off to an AMAZING start of the school year with a strong focus on building our academic culture at Ockley Green. We have also been celebrating retaining almost 90% of our whole staff from last year to this year. For the first time in Ockley's Middle School transition history, we have a full Admin team reporting for a second year. This is a HUGE celebration and really a game changer in what we are doing. In addition to focusing on academics, we have spent a lot of time beautifying our school. With the help of Recology and the district, there have been several new upgrades (see pictures below):

- New gym floor
- Remodeled garden outside
- New soccer goals outside
- Fresh paint on the outside doors
- New landscaping in the front and back of the building
- Freshly painted 4 square court, basketball court, and track
- New staff lounge furniture
- New staff workroom location
- Amazing hallway displays

I apologize for not sending out family communication sooner this year, things have been pretty hectic since I came back from maternity leave. We will be doing the Ockley Newsletter a little different for this school year. Kate Licitra, one of Ockley's fabulous ELA teachers, is also teaching a Newspaper class. Her class will be responsible for the distribution of the school newspaper starting September 23. The newspaper will be distributed twice a month and will be distributed to students, families, posted on our website, posted on Facebook, and posted on Twitter. If you have any information for the school newspaper, you can email Ms. Kate at <u>klicitra@pps.net</u>.

Our theme this year is to "Pump It Up" and we are embracing our theme in everything that we do. We are analyzing every facet of the school and determining how we can "Pump It Up" and make things better. We were able to create a solid foundation last year and this year we are taking things to the next level. Our school priorities this year are pasted below.

Thank you for your ongoing support and belief in our school our students. I look forward to seeing you all at Back To School Night. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Kristina Howard



Ockley 19-20 School Priorities:

Ockley Green Headline 1 and 2:

Vision:

Ockley Green will create a strong academic culture where classroom instruction is aligned to college and career ready standards and differentiated by student to encourage learning.

Overall Goal: By the end of the school year, 60% or more of students will meet or exceed their individual growth goal in MAP Math and Reading.

By the end of September 2019	By the end of January 2020	By the end of May 2020
September 2019 - baseline MAP test given	test given, results should show on track to 60% of students will meet or exceed their individual	May 2020 - end of year MAP test given, results should show on track to 60% of students will meet or exceed their individual growth goal

Ockley Green Headline 3:

Vision: All students and staff will use tiers of support to ensure student success both inside and outside of the classroom.

Overall Goal: By the end of the year, 80% of Tier 2 and Tier 3 behavior and academic interventions are implemented with fidelity for students receiving SIT monitoring.

By the end of September 2019	By the end of January 2020	By the end of May 2020
September 2019 - student intervention baseline data collected	academic interventions are implemented with fidelity for	May 2020 - 80% of Tier 2 and Tier 3 behavior and academic interventions are implemented with fidelity for students receiving SIT monitoring





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MAP Testing

As you can see from our priorities and school metrics, MAP testing is essential to what we are doing this year. We also have an ambitious growth goal for the school of 60% for both Math and Reading. Students will be taking their first round of MAP testing in their ELA classes next week on 9/9 and 9/10 and in Math classes the week of 9/16. Students may not opt out of this assessment and teachers will be using data to make instructional decisions. I will be presenting more about MAP during the first Coffee with the Principal on 9/27 at 9:30 AM.

Kickboard and Recommitment

We will starting Kickboard and Recommitment on Monday, September 16, 2019. I will be sending more information next week about the changes that we have made this year. We will be sending home parent login information the week of September 16.

Electronic Device Policy

As I am sure you are aware, we have changed our electronic device (phones, headphones, personal computers, gaming devices, speakers, etc.) policy this year. The policy is that students may not use their devices during the school day except for during lunch and recess time. If a student is using their device when they should not be, staff members will take their device and it will remain locked in the main office until the end of the school day. Students can pick up their device after school from the front office.

Registration Packets

Registration Packets were sent home on Friday August 30th. Please ask your student if they have received their registration pack. If your student has not received or have misplaced their packet please stop by the main office to get a new one. Completed forms need to be turned into the front office ASAP.

Facebook and Twitter

Ockley Green is now on Facebook and Twitter. Find us on Facebook by sear Ockley Green Middle School in the search box. To get notifications on facebook make sure to like our page. Follow us on Twitter @OckleyGreen, make sure to hit the follow button so that our tweets show up on your timeline.

Dragon Mart

Dragon Mart is now open!

If you are a family in need, you're welcome to visit the Dragon Mart Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. The Dragon Mart is located at Ockley Green in the SUN school portable #153.





School Pictures

Picture day is Wednesday, September 18th. Please make sure they your student stop by the main office to get an order form.

Back To School Night and Title 1 Meeting

We have two events taking place on Wednesday, September 11, 2019. The Family and Student Title 1 Information Meeting will be from 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM and Back To School Night will be from 5:30 PM - 7 PM. The more detailed schedule with descriptions of each event is pasted below. Here is the agenda below:

Time	Activity	Activity Description	Location	Facilitator
4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	Title 1 Family Information Meeting	Families can learn about the school's Title 1 program and how it impacts Ockley Green students.	Library	Kristina Howard, Principal
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Pizza Dinner	This is an opportunity for families to meet staff, other families and students, and share a meal with each other.	Cafeteria	Staff and Families
5:30 PM - 7:00 PM	Back To School Night	Families and students will rotate through student's individual schedules and spend 7 minutes in each class. Families and students will have a chance to meet teachers	Various	All Staff



in each class and ask any questions. Back To School Night will allow families a chance to understand what their student's daily life is at Ockley Green Middle School. Admin, SUN support, SEI, PTA, AVID information, Counselor Support, SPED Support, and other staff will be in the main hallway to provide	
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The rotation schedule is stated below.	

Back To School Night Rotation Schedule:

Time	Activity
5:30 PM - 5:40 PM	Families enter and head to 1st Period
5:40 PM - 5:47 PM	Advisory/1st Period
5:47 PM - 5:51 PM	Passing Period
5:51 PM - 5:58 PM	2nd Period
5:58 PM - 6:02 PM	Passing Period
6:02 PM - 6:09 PM	3rd Period
6:09 PM - 6:13 PM	Passing Period
6:13 PM - 6:20 PM	4th Period
6:20 PM - 6:24 PM	Passing Period
6:24 PM - 6:31 PM	5th Period
6:31 PM - 6:35 PM	Passing Period
6:35 PM - 6:42 PM	6th Period
6:42 PM - 6:46 PM	Passing Period



6:46 PM - 7:53 PM	7th Daviad
0.40 PM - 7.53 PM	7th Period

Upcoming Events

- Sept 9-13 Suicide Prevention Week
- Sept 11 Back to School Night/ Title 1 Parent Meeting, 4:30 PM 7:00 PM
- Sept 12 PTA Meeting, 7 PM 8 PM
- Sept 18 -Picture Day
- Sept 18 Site Council Meeting from 5 PM 6 PM
- Sept 27 Coffee with the Principal 9:30 AM 10:30 AM
- Sept 30- Oct 4 Mental Health Awareness Week
- Oct 7 SUN School Starts
- Oct 10 PTA Meeting, 7 PM 8 PM
- Oct 11 NO School
- Oct 16 Site Council Meeting from 5 PM 6 PM
- Oct 17 Culture Committee from 4 PM 5 PM
- Oct 24 International Potluck from 6 PM 7 PM
- Oct 31 SEI Harvest (No SUN school)