



Principal's Message

Dear Ockley Green Families and Community,

I want to thank all of the family members who attended the PTA meeting on Thursday night. It is a dynamic group, intent on continuing to support our students, staff and larger OG community via their fundraising efforts and contributions to events such as Teacher Appreciation Week. We could not be the school we are without them.

Did you know the PTA raised enough money to give every teacher a \$125 mini-grant this year? They also provided our librarian with enough funds to purchase sets of books that our students would not have been able to have without the PTA funds. Our PTA supports field trips, school dances and funds the entire 8th grade graduation. As you can see, our PTA is an amazing team of hard-working parents. Please contact Doris Tamoro, our PTA President, to find out more about the PTA. We would like to grow the membership with the talents of other OG families. Doris' email is: dtamoro@gmail.com Thank you to Doris and the OG PTA.

With the start of second semester underway the calendar fills up fast. Please keep an eye out for emails, newsletters and other updates and be sure to call the OG office or email teachers when you have questions about upcoming events.

Have a wonderful week,

Paula

Calendar

This Week's Schedule

Monday~ B ~ Regular Schedule
Tuesday~ A ~ Regular Schedule
Wednesday~ B ~ Regular Schedule
Thursday~ A ~ Regular Schedule
Friday~ B ~ Assembly Schedule

February is Black History Month. For events, visit [First Annual Black History Festival NW.](#)

Feb 12 - Monday

Future Rider Athletes Night
@Roosevelt HS
6pm – 7:30pm / FREE Dinner!
FREE T-Shirt to the first 200 8th Graders! (See below for more details)

Feb 12 - Monday

Volunteer Meeting
1:30 pm Meet in OG Office

Feb 13 - Tuesday

Family Night Basketball
Game @ Roosevelt HS

Feb 15 - Thursday

Volunteer Meeting
6:00 pm OG Library

Feb 16 - Friday

School Dance

Feb 19 - Monday

President's Day NO
SCHOOL

Feb 21 - Wednesday

Late Opening

Feb 21 - Wednesday

Site Council Meeting

OG on Instagram

Did you know about these three ways to stay up to date with OGMS?



[Follow Ockley Green Pride](#)

[Follow Ockley Green Reads](#)

[Follow Ockley Green Middle School](#)

Congratulations Dragons!

Mr. Matsen's Ockley Green Chess Team earned 2nd Place last week at the [Chess for Success](#) regional tournament!



Congratulations!! Rhys Greensted, Anderson Donley, Josiah Liebert, Margaret Swanson, Kai Greensted, Kaitlin McDaid, and Riley Kim - we're proud of you!

6-7:30 pm OG Library

March 15 - Thursday
Parent & Family Night
6:00 - 7:30 OG Auditorium

Need to plan ahead?

[Check out the OGMS Student & Family Handbook & Calendar](#)



Ockley Green is always looking for volunteers. Can you help? Here are some current ways to volunteer or contribute:

Saturday School Volunteers

We are always in need of volunteers at Saturday School to help support our 8th grade students as they complete work or practice on skills that will help prepare them for high school. If you are interested, please email Terri Sing, our Instructional Support Principal at tsing@pps.net. She will let you know the days and times that Saturday School will take place and how you can support.

Parent & Family Night

Please join us for Family Night at Ockley Green on Thursday, March 15th from 6:00 - 7:30. Topics will include raising a teen in the 21st century, how to address cyberbullying and presentations from ACT (Adolescents and Communities Together) and PPS's counseling department. More information in next week's newsletter.

Ways to Support Ockley Green

Volunteer!

Thank-you to those who responded to the call for volunteers! We are holding two meetings to organize our efforts on Monday, Feb 12th at 1:30 in the OG office and Thursday, Feb 15th at 6:00 pm in the OG library.

Support the Music Program!

Mr. Littlelyke is organizing a Parent Booster Group for the music program at Ockley Green. The group met for the first time last week and came up with many ways to support and advocate for continuing and improving the program. If you are interested in learning how you can support the program, please attend the next meeting on Tuesday, March 6 at 6:30 pm in the Music Room.

Other Upcoming Events

School Dance

Friday, February 16th -

The theme? Stylish Black Out. What that means is todress all black and make your outfit formal but casual. One example of that would be if you wore a tie with a normal tee-shirt. The student government decided that this was a reasonable theme so be creative with your outfit choice!

And remember to have fun at the dance and to stay fresh! -

Sonia Nah, 8th Grade Public Relations Officer

Snack Program

Several parents have offered to bring in snacks to OG to help support students during the day who need a snack break. If you would like to support our Snack Program, please bring a gift card to Cash & Carry or Fred Meyer. Principal McCullough will go to the stores and purchase the snacks for students.

Fred Meyer Rewards

Did you know that Fred Meyer will donate a percentage of your purchase to Ockley Green Middle School? If you have a Fred Meyer Rewards Card, you can designate OG as the school of your choice via the Fred Meyer website. It's easy! Visit the [Fred Meyer Community Rewards registration page.](#) Ockley Green's account number is 88181. Our PTA will use these funds as a source to help pay for field trips, buses, 8th grade graduation, school dances, teacher mini-grants and supplies, the school garden and more!

Monthly Awards Assembly

Friday, February 23rd - Please join us for our Monthly Awards Assembly honoring our students and lead by our OG Student Government. Assembly times: 8th grade 2:00-2:30, 7th grade 2:35-3:05, 6th grade 3:10-3:40.

Fifth Graders Visit OG

Friday, March 9th - 10:00-12:00 - OG feeder school students will visit OG with their teachers and school counselors. They will visit 6th grade classrooms, elective classrooms and get a tour of the building with the 8th Grade Dragon Leaders, our peer mentor team. Students will also watch a performance of the band and dance groups in the auditorium. They will finish their day by having lunch in the cafeteria.

Upcoming Music Performances (Volunteers Needed)

PPS Middle School Band Festival/Field Trip to Wilson High School

Thursday, March 8th from 9:30am to 3:00pm

St. John's Parade (meet at Roosevelt High School field)

Saturday, May 12th starting at about 9-10am

Spring Music Concert at Ockley Green Auditorium

Thursday, May 31st at 6:00pm

Oaks Park Performance (tentative):

Saturday in late May or early June

Jr. Rose Parade (tentative):

Wednesday, June 6th during school day

Vaccination Requirements

Vaccination Exclusion Day is February 21, 2018. By this date, your student must have complete vaccinations on record here at school, or you must complete the vaccination exemption requirements. **Students without current immunization records will be excluded from school beginning 2/21/18.**

SUN Community at Ockley Green

SUN Community Schools offer opportunities that support healthy child and youth development and family stability. Here are some of the SUN community events at Ockley Green. Please contact Joyce Olivo for more information at joyceo@selfenhancement.org

SUN School Showcase

Wednesday, March 7, 2017

OG Auditorium

Adult Hip Hop Class

Tuesday 6 pm -7 pm

Dance Studio

Adult Yoga Class

Wednesday 6 pm -7 pm

Dance Studio

Tutoring/Homework Help

Tues & Thurs Noon - 1 pm SUN Room 152 (Portables)

Mon-Thurs 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm Cafeteria

8th Grade Athletes - RHS

8th Graders Going to Roosevelt Next Year Interested in Athletics. Meet RHS coaches and learn about the school's athletics programs! Free Dinner & T-shirt

- Where: Roosevelt HS 6941 N. Central St.
- When: Monday 2/12/18 6:00 - 7:30 pm