

Olathe West Families-

Happy Friday everybody! We had a nice week at OW. Soccer picked up big wins vs ONW and SMS. The football team is now 2-0 heading into tonight's matchup with SMNW. Volleyball defeated OE this week, with tennis, golf, and XC all having strong starts to their seasons! On Wednesday, I spent time in Topeka at KSHSAA. I am really excited about the positive direction our activities association is going. There is a lot of growth and improvement happening which will only benefit our kids here at West. And lastly, we hosted the OT vs MT volleyball showdown in our gyms last night. It was a lot of fun and I really enjoy seeing our future Owls competing on their home floor! Thanks to everyone who came out!

**Things you need to know this week:**

**1. Parent help for Homecoming dance** - OW StuCo would love your help for this year's homecoming dance! Homecoming Week runs from Monday, September 29 – Saturday, October 4.

**Here's how you can help:** We need people to help run the coat & shoe check booth, hand out snacks, and provide water cups and individually packaged snacks for this year's Homecoming Dance on Saturday, October 4. **Please click the following link to volunteer and/or to donate snacks: HOMECOMING 2025 Parent Help for Dance & Snacks.** Please also reach out to StuCo Sponsors Tracy Russman ([tarussman@olatheschools.org](mailto:tarussman@olatheschools.org)) and Noah Falcon ([nofalcon@olatheschools.org](mailto:nofalcon@olatheschools.org)) for more information.

**2. Homecoming Tickets for the Dance are on sale Now** - You can purchase them online here: [OW Homecoming Tickets](#) Cash sales will be during lunch Sept. 29-October 2.

**3. Homecoming Carnival and Bonfire** - See attached flyer for all the details!

**4. Yearbooks Now on Sale** - Purchase your 2025-26 yearbooks on touchbase TODAY! Prices will increase on October 1st!

**5. Noah's Bandage Project** - NHS is supporting **Noah's Bandage Project** next week! Drop off unopened boxes of bandages across from 3520 any time between Monday, Sept. 15 and Friday, Sept. 22. You can also donate money using the QR code on the attached flyer.

**6. Johnson County Youth Court** will host an all-day training at OW on Monday, Sept. 22. Students can volunteer to be a juror, bailiff, attorney, or judge for actual legal proceedings after completing the training. We hear all cases at school during seminar on Thursdays. Pick up a handout and permission form across from 3520 to attend.

**7. School Pictures are Ready!** – Any 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade student who took their school portrait during our recent picture days may view and order at <https://shop.iostenspix.com/login> using the following information:

OLATHE WEST HIGH SCHOOL: Event Code: FE272625. Also Needed: Synergy Student ID#

**8. Senior Yearbook Tributes are on Sale!** Celebrate your graduating senior with a personalized ad in this year's yearbook. See the attached flyer for details on pricing, deadlines, and how to submit your ad! You can also reach out to our yearbook adviser Kori Hopson by emailing her at [knhopson@olatheschools.org](mailto:knhopson@olatheschools.org).

**9. ASVAB Military Testing** - **ASVAB Testing for Olathe Juniors and Seniors** - If you are a junior or senior who is interested in the military, you should consider taking the [Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test](#). The ASVAB test will be administered by the military on Testing Day on Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at Olathe North High School. There is no cost, and there is no obligation to join the military. Registration closes on 9/26, so sign up [here](#) today

**10. Postsecondary Planning Events** - See attached flyer for upcoming events throughout the district. Contact your student's counselor with any questions.

**11. College Credit in High School** - If your student is enrolled in AP or College Now courses, please review the attached handouts for important information about earning college credit. You can also view the [college credit presentation](#) for an overview of the programs. Questions about these programs can be directed to your student's [counselor](#). **College Now Deadline - September 22. AP Deadline - November 7.**

**12. Homework Help Center** - The National Honor Society Homework Center is open for business! Students of all grades may visit and collaborate with classmates or get help from a peer tutor any time there is movement during seminar. We have a new location this year, room 3509, and a new paper pass system. Passes are available outside 3509.

**13. Athletic and Activity Calendar** - Olathe West will have a new athletic and activities webpage which will include our school calendar: <https://gobound.com/ks/schools/olathewesths>. The calendar will also be embedded within the main Olathe West webpage. Search the Apple or Android app store for "Bound Sports" to add the app to your phone for quick and easy access to our school calendar, to purchase tickets to athletic events, and to access information regarding athletics and activities.

**14. Athletic Passes** - Athletic Passes for the 2025-26 athletic season are now available on our new athletic website: <https://www.gobound.com/ks/schools/olathewesths/tickets>. Athletic Passes are available for both adults and students. Passes allow entry into all REGULAR SEASON athletic events in the Olathe School District.

**15. Yard Signs** - Yes - you can order them! See attachment for directions!

**16. Owen Sculpture Bricks** - I have had several people ask how they can purchase a brick around the owl sculpture on the north side of the building. I have attached the flyer! It's never too early to order - I believe we have Class of 2032 brick already in place! Flyer is attached!










**Dad Joke of the Week:** I was wondering why the frisbee kept getting bigger and bigger, and then it hit me.

Have a good weekend! Go Owls and Go Chiefs (please)!

Holler if you need me.

Jay Novacek  
Principal

**Attachments:**

-  [Carnival %26 Bonfire.png](#) (912.2 KB)
-  [NBP Olathe Schools Flyer 2025.pdf](#) (237.5 KB)
-  [Senior Ad Flyer %282026%29.pdf](#) (736.0 KB)
-  [Postsecondary Planning Events.pdf](#) (150.0 KB)
-  [25-26 AP Testing Info.docx](#) (144.0 KB)
-  [2025-2026 College Now Enrollment Guided Notes.pdf](#) (266.0 KB)
-  [Youth Court Training Flyer - FA25.pdf](#) (8.7 MB)
-  [Yard Sign.docx](#) (405.4 KB)
-  [Brick Flyer 25-26.pdf](#)