Olathe West Families-

Thanks for another great week! As a reminder, we will not have school on Monday, September 6th, due to Labor Day. I hope you are able to enjoy a great three day weekend!

Our volleyball team won the Hays tournament this week. Girls cross country won the huge Greg Wilson Classic meet last night - a great start for the defending state champs. Soccer played an epic game versus BVSW ending in a 2OT tie. Football kicks off tonight versus ONW and soccer will also be in action - both games at CBAC! Come on and cheer for the Owls! We will be in the visiting stands for football at CBAC (non press box side) against ONW. Hope to see you there!

I am rebooting my Principal's Advisory team which was lost during covid. This is for any student who would like to meet with me to assist in the vision and direction of West - from a student perspective. I will try to take students with a variety of perspectives and different grade levels so straight A's are not always necessary. Applications will be in the front office and can be picked up from Mary Meade. Applications are due September 15th and are open to all students.

Lastly - the doctors office across the street from us on Santa Fe has reached out that students and parents are parking in their lot. Students all day and parents at pick up time. Please do not pick up or allow your student to park there. They will begin to ticket and tow so just a heads up! There are plenty of spots on our campus Thanks.

Here is what you need to know this week:

1. **KC Metro College Fair** - We are hosting the KC Metro College Fair on Monday, September 13th from 6-8 in the gym. Come meet college reps to plan for your post-secondary education!

2. **District College Events** - See attachment for upcoming events throughout the district. Contact your student’s counselor with any questions!

3. **Homecoming Week 2021** - September 27 - October 2!

   This year's Homecoming theme is: A Night in the Big City, and it will not disappoint!

   Here are a few of the events for the week:

   **Tuesday, September 28** - Buff Puff Volleyball - Soccer Game

   **Wednesday, September 29** - Powder Puff Football, Bonfire and Community Carnival – Open to ALL AGES! Be sure to bring the family out for all the fun!!

   **Thursday, September 30** - Homecoming Football Game / Coronation

   **Saturday, October 2** - Homecoming Dance: A Night in the Big City at OW

4. **Varsity Regular Season Athletic Tickets** - Tickets for HOME VARSITY REGULAR SEASON games are available electronically and can be purchased in advance. Please see the attached instructions for
downloading the Hometown Fan App for quick and easy ticket purchases. Ticket purchases are also available at www.owowsathletics.com. Email Athletic Director Pat Butler with questions (prbutler@olatheschools.org).

5. **PSAT** - Your student will have the opportunity to take the PSAT on testing day, Oct. 13. Registration deadline to ensure that your student has a test is Wednesday, September 15.

   1. The PSAT will be held during the school day on **October 13, 2021**.
   2. We have 100 exams, and a waiting list will be started, if needed.
   3. The PSAT costs $20. Register online using InTouch.
   4. Questions should be directed to Robin Dietz, at rrdietz@olatheschools.org.

For more information on the PSAT test go to [https://www.olatheschools.org/Page/10734](https://www.olatheschools.org/Page/10734).

6. **Attendance Reminder** - Please allow a 30-minute notice in order to call your student out of class. Students are not allowed to leave campus without a parent calling into the attendance office. Students will be sent a blue permit to leave pass and will be allowed to leave at the time stated. When a student returns to campus they must check-in at the attendance window. Thank you!

7. **JCCC College Now** - Information is posted on the OW website under COUNSELING/SERVICES tab. Our building contact is senior counselor, Natalie Schmidt-Konkel and deadline to enroll is SEPT 17. Students in College Now-eligible classes have been invited to get enrollment help during AI time on Tuesday, September 7th or Tuesday, September 14th. They can pick up an AI pass from the senior office.

8. **Senior Formal Portrait Dates**: September 24 & October 22. If you are a senior, this is a requirement. If you have already gotten your photo taken with Strawbridge on July 29 or August 5, you are taken care of. If not, please click on the Sign Up Genius link for more information and to select a time slot on one of those dates. [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B48A9AB2FA7F85-senior](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080B48A9AB2FA7F85-senior)

I think that is it for this week! I hope you get some time to relax and enjoy family.

Holler if you need me!

Thanks

Jay Novacek

Principal

**Attachments:**
- [messages/attachments/bd4674cf28ce2eee052e2f5e62fb3039/KC_METRO_EXPO_FAIR.pdf](https://www.olatheschools.org) (181.7 KB)
- [messages/attachments/ddc071e7fc7be218dc7385928f187baf/District_College_Events.pdf](https://www.olatheschools.org) (75.0 KB)
- [messages/attachments/a552e054bf405dafa3114012f47354da/HomeTown_Fan_App_Instructions.jpg](https://www.olatheschools.org)