



“Notes from the Nest” is a weekly, informational email highlighting upcoming events. It is sent out on Fridays.

August 5, 2022

Some corrections from July 15 are highlighted below in **yellow**.

Free/Reduced Lunch application

Olathe Public Schools families,

We wanted to remind you that the federal funding support that has provided school breakfasts and lunches free to students for the past two years is coming to an end. With this in mind, please be advised of the following items.

- For the 2022-23 school year, families once again will pay full price for student breakfasts and lunches unless they apply and qualify for free-and-reduced meals through the district’s application process.
- The new free and reduced application for 2022-23 is available at <https://frapps.horizonsolana.com/OLAS01>. Families must apply each year for free or reduced food service and student registration fees.
- Filling out the federal free and reduced application will be necessary before students will be able to qualify for and access free or reduced breakfast and lunches during the 2022-23 school year.

ONW Laptop Deployment (new students to building)

All new students to Olathe schools and incoming freshmen will be issued a dell laptop. Freshmen are receiving a slightly different device than our upperclassmen. As a result, we have distinguished the times that our freshmen may pick up their device from the times we have available for upperclassmen.

Freshmen Only Deployment Times:

- Friday, August 12th – With Modern World History class
- Monday, August 15th – As needed

Upperclassmen Only Deployment Times:

- Thursday, August 11th – 10:30am – In Room 2307
- Friday, August 12th – 2nd Hour
- Monday, August 15th – As needed

Upperclassman returning to Olathe Schools will continue to be able to use their device from last year.

Student Parking Passes

Parking passes must be purchased new each school year. If you have purchased a parking pass in Touchbase, you can come into the office and pick it up in Student Services from **8:00AM – 3:00 PM**. *Students* must sign a parking contract in exchange for a parking pass and show their valid Driver's License at pick up. For more information you can visit <https://www.olatheschools.org/Page/9566>.



<https://usd233.hometownticketing.com/embed/all?depts=2>

Back to School Night

On Thursday, August 11, we will host our Back to School Night/Open House for parents to learn what their student's experience will look like this year and meet teachers. We will start at 6:45pm with 1st hour and work through the traditional school day; we will be finished at 8:40pm. The academies traditionally meet with freshmen and new parents at 6pm that evening.

Senior breakfast on 8/12/22

On the first day of school, Friday, August 12 from 7:15-7:50am, RPO is hosting a First Day of School Breakfast for SENIORS to celebrate their last first day as an ONW Raven. We are in need of parent donations for food, drinks, tableware, and gift cards for a raffle for the seniors. All donations

need to be delivered by 3:00pm on August 11th, unless they are fresh, hot cooked items like Casey's Pizza, then they need to be delivered at 7:00am on Friday, August 12th. See the link below to donate. Thank you for helping make our seniors last first day a memorable one!

[ONW Seniors: ONW Senior Back to School Breakfast \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

Raven Parent Organization – RPO

ONW Parents,

The Raven Parent Organization (RPO) is ONW's version of a PTA, supporting a number of activities and initiatives. One of the events that has historically been very impactful on our students is the Bill Cordes-School Unity Project, which has been scheduled for August 24th. After that we'll be diving right into Homecoming and all the other school activities that RPO helps support. In order to do this, we need your help! There is a suggested donation of **\$50 per family** to the Raven Parent Organization to ensure that we are able to continue supporting these events and so many others that directly benefit all of our students. Any donation amount is truly appreciated!

For more information about RPO or to make a donation, please visit <https://www.olatheschools.org/Page/7708>.

The following are contact points for our Raven Parent Organization.

Facebook: Raven Parent Organization

Twitter: @ONWRavens_RPO

Instagram: @onwravensrpo

Email: ravenparentorg3@gmail.com

Olathe Northwest 2022-23 Student Schedules and Building Open

Olathe Northwest student schedules will be available on Friday, July 29, 2022 by:

- Accessing Student Vue or Parent Vue
- Coming to ONW's front office and requesting a printed copy (on or after Monday, August 1)

Students may only pick up their own schedules; we cannot give schedules to students for their friends or siblings.

ONW students, particularly those who are new to the building, are welcome to walk their schedule/the building on Monday, August 1, from 12pm to 4pm or Thursday, August 4, from 8am to 4pm.

2022-23 School pictures

9th-12th grade students will have their school pictures for IDs, parent purchase, and yearbook taken on Wednesday, August 17 or Thursday, August 18. Once a schedule has been developed for which classes will have pictures on which day, we will share that.

Lockers

Hall lockers will be available for students to request this school year. Students received an email with the link to request a locker in mid-July (Monday, July 18). Students requesting a locker will keep that locker for the duration of their time at ONW. Lockers should be requested prior to July 28, though there will be another window of opportunity after school starts in August.

We do allow students to carry totes or backpacks during the school day in the high schools in Olathe.

Once lockers have been assigned, the locker number and combination will be viewable by students when logging into StudentVue.

Homecoming dates

HC week – October 3-8

Wednesday, October 5 – Powderpuff game and Bonfire

Thursday, October 6 – Parade and assembly

Thursday, October 6 – Football game against Shawnee Mission East at 7pm at CBAC

Friday, October 7 – no school

Saturday, October 8 – Homecoming Dance from 8pm to 11pm at ONW

Fall Sports

Please note that the fall sports season starts on Monday, August 15, after classes begin. A current physical form (completed after May 1, 2022) must be turned in prior to participating. Physical forms are available in the office or at <https://www.olatheschools.org/Page/9564>.

As we transition into the 2022/2023 school year of Athletics and Activities, the district will be to moving to an online format to submit **Pre-Participation Physical, Concussion, Substance Abuse, and Transportation forms**. Please follow the steps listed below to help you complete this process.

- 1) Each student/family will need to log into their Touchbase account: <https://ks-olathe.intouchrecepting.com/> (this is the same account you login into to register for summer weights, or pay fees for the upcoming school year).
- 2) Once logged in select the 'Registrations' tab. This will give you the choice to choose a sport/activity that you would like to try out, play or participate in next year.
- 3) Next, you will see steps to access all the forms that need to be submitted for participation. **The Pre-Participation Physical packet will need to be printed and brought to your doctor appointment.**

- 4) After completing the physical packet and all pages needing signatures are signed, you can now scan and upload **(5 total pages)** to Intouch registrations. Please make sure all 5 pages are scanned before you upload. The concussion form, substance abuse, and transportation forms are to be signed electronically. No need to print these forms to submit.
- 5) Last step is to submit forms for approval. Once approved you will receive an confirmation email letting you know that your forms were submitted successfully.
- 6) If you will be participating in multiple sports or participating in a club or committee, you will need to go back to the registration page again and choose another sport or activity to register.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Sheets in the Athletics at kcsheets@olatheschools.org

Football Head Coach – Lorne Clark (lclarkonw@olatheschools.org)
 Soccer Head Coach – Chris Graham (cgrahamonw@olatheschools.org)
 Cross Country Head Coach– Chris Sales (christinesonw@olatheschools.org)
 Girls Golf Head Coach – Michael Grove (mgroveonw@olatheschools.org)
 Girls Tennis Head Coach – Drew Smith (dasmith@olatheschools.org)
 Volleyball Head Coach – Barry Lenth (brlenth@olatheschools.org)

Upcoming dates

August 9 Freshman Parent Orientation **6pm** (ONW auditorium)
 August 11 Only Freshmen attend (dismissal at 12:15pm) – busses run at normal time in the morning and at 12:15pm
 August 11 ONW Open House/Back to School Night, 6:45pm
 August 12 First full day of school (grades 9-12)
 August 15 Fall Sports practice begins
 August 17 School pictures for grades 9-11, seniors will take an ID only picture
 August 18 School pictures for grades 9-11, seniors will take an ID only picture
 August 26 Back to school mixer (9pm-11pm, after soccer game vs OE at CBAC)
 September 2 Student early release (11:15am)
 September 5 No school – Labor Day
 September 6 No school – Professional development day
 September 13 **Class of 2025** Awards Breakfast – invitations to honorees will be sent in August
 September 14 **Class of 2024** Awards Breakfast – invitations to honorees will be sent in August
 September 16 **Class of 2023** Awards Breakfast – invitations to honorees will be sent in August
 October 3-8 Homecoming Week
 October 5 Powder Puff/Bonfire
 October 6 Homecoming Parade
October 6 Last day of 1st quarter
October 7 No school – professional development
October 8 Homecoming Dance from 8pm-11pm at ONW