



OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

ALC Closed
April 2

**WorkKeys, PSAT 9/10 &
Senior Field Trip**
April 11

SAT (Juniors Only)
April 15

MSTEP (Juniors Only)
April 17

NO SCHOOL
April 29

IMPORTANT LINKS

click these:

[DISTRICT CALENDAR](#)

[BOND UPDATES](#)

[PARENT GROUP NEWSLETTER](#)

[PARENT GROUP MEETING](#)

[MINUTES](#)

NEXT MEETING:

APRIL 19, 2024

OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

I hope you are all doing well. Below, I am providing you with several links of important information, specifically about course TEST OUT registration and STATE TESTING. Please ensure that your students bring their school devices TOMORROW, fully charged. We are not testing, but need to run some diagnostics to get ready for the process as it is not all online. Thank you!

[Test Out Registration Link](#) Registration deadline is MAY 1st.

[Test Out Policy](#)

I sent this out in a separate email today, but wanted to include this information regarding STATE TESTING here as well:

[9th Grade letter](#)

[10 Grade letter](#)

[11th Grade letter](#)

[OHS State Testing Schedule 2024](#)

Also, so you can start planning ahead for next school year, please see our Kick Start and Open House information on the last page.

I hope that you and your family had a restful break. These last few months will be fast and furious, but we'll make it!

Please reach out if you need anything! Take care,

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COUNSELING INFORMATION

Monthly Counselor Newsletter

Please access the [April Counseling Newsletter](#) here.

Cap & Gown Donation

Counselors are accepting cap & gown donations from the Class of 2021 to 2023 to be used by economically disadvantaged students. Please drop them off in the main office if you would like to donate them.

7th Grade Camp Counselors

Pick up your envelopes in the Counseling Office!!!

Senior Decision Form

Seniors-do you want to share your post-high school plans? Would you like those plans featured on the Class of 2024 Decisions Instagram page? Then fill out [this form](#) to be featured!

Senior Yard Sign Info

Please complete an order form and submit payment by Friday, March 15th if you are interested in purchasing a Class of 2024 Yard Sign personalized with your senior's first name and yearbook photo. The order form has all the details and samples of what your yard sign will look like. Signs are \$15 each (we have already sold the minimum # of signs needed for this bulk order discount price!). You will be able to pick up your signs at OHS by mid-April. If you have any questions, please contact the parent volunteer coordinating the sale, Valerie Long, at valong11@gmail.com. ORDER here: <https://forms.gle/1uu1EpKXSotZRRZ77>

Science Research Symposium

Presented by Science Research Seminar

APRIL 6TH, 2024

Okemos High School Kiva

10 am - 12 pm



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- Junior and Sophomore poster presentations
- Senior Presentations
- Refreshments

IMPORTANT Senior Information

- April 12, Friday: Last day to personalize a yearbook - Order [HERE](#)
- April 19, Friday: Senior Tribute ads due. Please visit <https://yearbookokemos.weebly.com/> for information on how to order. Everything must be designed, personalized, and completed by the 19th . Direct Link: <https://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/students-and-parents/yearbook-ads>
- April 19, Friday: Senior Video Submissions due to [SENIOR VIDEO SUBMISSIONS](#) (parents and students can submit photos to be in the senior video)
- The parent chaperone Google form will be sent to senior parents next week; please keep your eye out for that if you are interested.

Important NHS Dates

April 15: Applicants will be notified of acceptance or rejection

May 8: NHS Induction Ceremony, 6:30 pm in OHS Auditorium

May 29: Mandatory Chapter Meeting, 7:15 am in OHS Auditorium

**Junior and Senior
Great Gatsby
2024 Prom**

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024
8-11 pm, You must enter before 9pm, no re-entry

EAGLE EYE GOLF CLUB
15500 Chandler Rd, Bath, MI 48808

APPETIZERS/DESSERTS ONLY
No dinner provided

NO BAGS | NO SOPHOMORE/FRESHMAN |
JUNIOR/SENIOR GUESTS ALLOWED
Guest forms due May 6th, School ID to enter

Post Prom

- 11pm - 2am
- Tickets \$25
- Enter by 12am
- Casual
- Games, food, inflatables, and more
- Prom attendance NOT required for Post Prom

TICKETS \$45
SOLD APRIL 26 -
MAY 10TH
ONLINE ONLY
NO REFUNDS

OHS Parent Group 04.01.24 Newsletter Updates:

- The next OHS Parent Group meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 19, 2024 at 9 am in the Counseling office classroom, located on the 2nd floor at OHS. Please sign in at the main office before joining us.
- At the April 19th meeting, we will take nominations for the 2024-2025 Board members. If you are interested in being on the Board and would like more information, please email us at ohsparentgroupinfo@gmail.com.
- The Post Prom Planning Committee plans and organizes the Post Prom event, Parent Group's biggest event of the year. **We need a couple more parents/guardians** to join our meetings to help assemble tickets and other supplies for the event. Our meetings take place in the events room at CADL-Okemos library from 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm on the following Mondays: 3/18, 4/15, and 5/6. Hope to see you there!
- **Post Prom General Information:**
 - Post Prom takes place at Okemos High School immediately following Prom on Sat., May 18th, 11pm-2am.
 - Tickets will be available for purchase April 26 – May 10, **online pre-sale only**. All sales are final – no refunds. The link to our online store will be available in the next newsletter. (Same for Prom)
 - Post Prom tickets cost \$25/person.
 - Must check in at the Student Lot entryway by 12 pm with school ID/pictured ID. No re-entry.
 - Only 11th and 12th graders are allowed to attend, same for guests. (Same for Prom)
 - 11th and 12th grade non-OHS guests are required to submit a Guest Form (available in the Main Office) no later than May 6th. (Same for Prom/only one Guest Form needed for both events) Please note: A non-OHS guest is required to take the Guest Form to their school for verification by their school's administrator. This takes time so plan accordingly. Do not purchase a guest ticket until the completed form has been submitted to the OHS Main office since **there are no refunds.**
 - Prom attendance is not required to attend Post Prom.
 - No bags allowed. (Same for Prom)
 - This is a casual event. Attire is casual and comfortable. There will be games, inflatables, food, giveaways, and more!
- **CALLING ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS!** Please check out our 2 signups for the Post Prom event:
 - To donate prizes for the Giveaway:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949A8AC22A6FDC25-48832850-post>
 - To volunteer to work at Post Prom and/or donate food:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0949A8AC22A6FDC25-48832861-post>

These are the ways in which you can contribute to Parent Group events and activities:

- Volunteer to staff an event and/or donate supplies as needed throughout the year.
- Donate directly to OHS Parent Group. Checks payable to OHS Parent Group can be dropped off at the school’s main office. Please label the envelope “Parent Group”.
- Kroger Community Rewards: Our charity name is Okemos H.S. Parent Group (EH042). Parent Group earns at no added cost to you, but you must link us to your card first, online or in person at Kroger.
- RevTrak: [HS Parent Group | Okemos Public Schools \(revtrak.net\)](https://revtrak.net). Use this link and donate through the school’s online payment processing system.

You can email us at OHSParentGroupInfo@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook “[Okemos High School Parent Group.](#)”

Meetings take place at 9am in the Counseling classroom at OHS on the following Fridays:

April 19, 2024

(Nominations for 2024-2025 Board positions)

May 24, 2024

(Vote for new 2024-2025 Board positions)

Thank you for your support!



Welcome Week 2024-2025

<p><u>Bennett Woods Elementary Open House</u> August 14, 2024 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm</p>	<p><u>Cornell Elementary Open House</u> August 14, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm</p>	<p><u>Hiawatha Elementary Open House</u> August 15, 2024 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm</p>	<p><u>Okemos Public Montessori Open House</u> August 15, 2024 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm</p>
<p><u>Kinawa 5-6 School Kick Start</u> August 15, 2024 10:00 am - 3:00 pm</p>		<p><u>Chippewa Middle School Kick Start</u> August 15, 2024 9:00 am - 2:00 pm</p>	
<p><u>Okemos High School</u></p> <p>Kick Start August 14, 2024 9:00 am - 2:00 pm</p> <p>Open House August 22, 2024 Parent Meeting: 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Open House: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm</p>		<p>The following OPS resources will be on-site to answer any questions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Health Team- all buildings • Food Service- all buildings • Transportation- K-6 buildings (not OPM) 	