

Osseo Orioles

Flier



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BACK TO SCHOOL 2011

A MESSAGE FROM DR. PERDAEMS

A warm welcome to all of our students and their families for school year 2011/2012! We again have several new faces joining our teaching staff. Amber Eichten will be taking the place of Jim Schultz who will begin enjoying his retirement in early September. Marcy Nelson is new to our Math team and the district. Tia Christlieb is new to our ELL program, coming to us from North View Junior High. Jodi Johnson and John Rieser are new to our Special Education department but not the district. Jodi comes to us from Park Center and John is moving over from Osseo Junior High. He will be familiar to many at OSH as he has been a coach with our Girls' Basketball program for several years. John Licciardi is new to our Tech. Ed. Department, he comes to us from Bloomington and has also joined our Football coaching staff. Craig Oliver began a well deserved retirement after the school year ended in June. Britta Svihel is our new Student Assistance Counselor, she will be splitting her time between OSH and the OALC.

This edition of the *Flier* is packed with information to help you have a successful start to the new school year; this includes what is planned for orientation, pictures/yearbook information, locker selection/assignment, schedule distribution, parking, etc. Complete handbook information is printed in the Student Planner/Handbook that is distributed to all students the first week of school during Advisory. The second and third pages of the Flier include important calendar dates for the upcoming year - every activity and event we have scheduled to date is listed. Please take a moment to note days off and special activities on your personal calendar. There are also pages with information especially for seniors and additional information for our juniors and incoming sophomores.

The orientations are listed below, students must attend on the date scheduled for their grade level or attend the make-up session. Orientation begins in the auditorium **promptly at 8:00 AM** with a welcome by some of the administration. Students will not be admitted if they arrive late, so please make sure they are on time. After the greeting, they will be divided into four smaller groups to meet with the Activities Director, Administrative Assistants and Counselors for important information about high school and ways to make it a great year. Pictures will be taken during one of the rotations and students will also receive their **tentative** first trimester schedules. As always, parents/guardians are welcome to attend with their student.

Important information about student schedules: many of our classes are very full and there is little flexibility to make changes. Schedule changes will be made based on specific guidelines on a very limited basis. Students need to be prepared to follow their schedules based on the classes they chose last year.

Orientation Schedule for August
Thursday, August 18 – Senior Orientation – 8:00 AM
(Senior Informal Picture at 7:45 AM)
Tuesday, August 23 – Junior Orientation – 8:00 AM
Thursday, August 25 – Sophomore Orientation – 8:00 AM
Monday, August 29 – Make Up Orientation – 6:00 PM
There will be a Strive Information Meeting for eligible seniors
immediately following orientation on 8/18 & 8/29

Classes begin on Tuesday, September 6. We are looking forward to greeting 1500+ students this fall, which includes 450+ incoming sophomores. All students will pick up their **final** schedule Tuesday morning before school starts. Schedules will be distributed from 7:10 to 7:30 AM. **Faculty will be at tables with schedules (divided by alphabet): seniors in the Cafeteria, juniors in the East Gym and sophomores in the Main Gym.** At 7:30, students will go to Advisory, Advisory will be followed by a special Pepfest to kick off the new year with our terrific Osseo spirit!

OSH 2011/2012 PLANNING CALENDAR

August 2	Activity Office Opens/Registration begins for Fall sports
August 9	Student Leadership Meeting, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM/Cafeteria
August 10	NWSC Student Leadership Meeting, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM in Elk River
August 15	Fall Sports Begin
August 18	Senior Informal Picture – 7:45 AM
August 18	Orientation/Seniors – 8:00 AM
August 18	STRIVE Information Meeting – Immediately following orientation
August 23	Orientation/Juniors – 8:00 AM
August 25	Orientation/Sophomores – 8:00 AM
August 29	Make Up Orientation/All Grades – 6:00 PM in the Forum
August 29	STRIVE Information Meeting – Immediately following make up orientation
September 5	LABOR DAY/NO SCHOOL
September 6	First Day of School, start time 7:30, Advisory followed by Pepfest
September 9	Senior Portrait Make Up (during all lunches)
September 12	New Schedule Begins/Picture & Orientation Make Up
September 14	Assembly Schedule Advisory
September 14	All Night Party Kick Off Meeting – 7:00 PM/Forum
September 15	Academic Planning Conferences, 5:00 – 8:00 PM
September 16	Sophomore Retreat
September 19 - 30	PSAT Registrations Accepted
September 23	Assembly Schedule for Homecoming Coronation & Pepfest
September 23	Tailgating before the football game
September 24	Homecoming Dance, 8 - 11 PM/Cafeteria
October 3	PLAN (10)/ASVAB (11)/Senior Experience (12) Per. 1 – 4
October 10	Picture Retake Day
October 12	PSAT Test – 7:30 to 10:30 AM
October 12	Midtris Handed out in Advisory
October 13 & 17	Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 – 8:00 PM, Arena Style
October 14	Workshop Day/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
October 18	Band /Orchestra Preview Concert – 7:00 PM
October 20 & 21	Teachers' Professional Meetings/NO SCHOOL
October 28	Student Senate Blood Drive
November 2	GRAD Writing Retest
November 4, 5, 10, 11, 12	Fall Musical, <i>Hello, Dolly!</i> – 7:30 PM
November 6	Fall Musical Matinee, <i>Hello, Dolly!</i> – 2:30 PM
November 8	GRAD Writing Retest Make Up
November 9	Band Veterans' Day Program
November 14	Choir Concert – 7:30 PM/Auditorium
November 24 & 25	Thanksgiving Holiday/NO SCHOOL
November 30	Jazz & Percussion Ensemble Concert – 7:00 PM/Auditorium
December 2	Mark Reporting Day/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
December 5	Begin Trimester 2
December 8	Orchestra Concert – 7:30 PM/Auditorium
December 12	Band Holiday Concert – 7:30 PM/Auditorium
December 19	Choir Holiday Sing-a-long – 7:30 PM/Auditorium
December 22	Last Day Before Winter Break
December 23 – January 2	Winter Break – NO SCHOOL
January 3	School Resumes
January 11	Assembly Schedule Advisory for PLAN/ASVAB Interpretation
January 16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day/NO SCHOOL
January 24	Midtri Reports Handed Out in 1st period class
January 24	NWSC One Act Play Festival hosted by OSH/Auditorium
January 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30 to 8:00 PM (one night only)
January 27	Workshop Day/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
January 30	NWSC Preview Concert – 7:00 PM/Auditorium
February 6	NWSC Music Festival at Anoka Senior High/Grand Finale Concert - 7:30 PM
February 10	Assembly Schedule for Sno Daze Coronation & Pepfest
February 11	Sno Daze Dance 8 - 11 PM/Cafeteria

OSH 2011/2012 PLANNING CALENDAR cont.

February 13	Registration Conferences/5:00 to 8:00 PM
February 15	Symphonic Band & Percussion Concert - 7:00 PM/Auditorium
February 17	Conference Release Day/NO SCHOOL
February 20	Presidents' Day/NO SCHOOL
February 23	Region 5AA Band Large Group Contest at Anoka
March 5	Choir Concert - 7:30 PM/Auditorium
March 7	Jazz & Percussion Ensembles Concert - 7:00 PM/Auditorium
March 9	Mark Reporting Day/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
March 12	Begin 3 rd Trimester
March 12 - 21	AP Test Registration
March 16	Student Senate Blood Drive
March 19	College Fair in the East Gym
March 26 - 30	Spring Break – NO SCHOOL
April 2	School Resumes
April 3	BST Reading/Math Retests
April 6	Conference Release Day/NO SCHOOL
April 17	Region 5AA Band Solo & Ensemble Contest @ Totino Grace
April 17 & 18	MCA Reading (10)/MCA Math (11)/Late Start (12)
April 18	Band Solo & Ensemble - 2:00 to 8:00 PM
April 24	GRAD Writing (12)
April 25	Midtri Reports Handed Out in Advisory
April 25	Star Student Awards Luncheon
April 26	P/T Conferences/3:30 – 8:00 PM
April 27	Teacher Workshop Day/NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
May 7 - 11	MCA Science Testing
May 7 - 18	AP Testing
May 18	Spring Carnival/Fun Day
May 19	Prom/7:00 – 11:00 PM at Earle Brown Heritage Center in Brooklyn Center
May 21	Orchestra Concert - 7:30 PM/Auditorium
May 23	Graduation Speech & Song Auditions – 2:15 PM/Choir Room
May 23	Band Concert - 7:30 PM/Auditorium
May 24	Awards Night – OSH Cafeteria
May 28	Memorial Day/NO SCHOOL
May 30	2nd Annual Scholarship Recognition during Advisory
May 31	Choir Concert - 7:30 PM/Auditorium
June 1	Assembly Schedule Advisory for Mandatory Senior Graduation Assembly
June 5 (TUESDAY)	Last Day for Seniors/Cap & Gown Distribution (end of day)
June 7 (THURSDAY)	Last Day for Students (full day)
June 8	Last Day for Teachers/Mark Reporting Day/ Advisory Make Up Opportunity
June 10	Graduation – 11:00 AM at Target Center
June 10	Senior All Night Party - 9:00 PM to 5:00 AM

Hello, Dolly!

Auditions for this year's musical, *Hello, Dolly!* will be the first week of school. You can get audition information from the announcements, the Student Bulletin, the OSH Drama website, or on informational posters around the school in the fall. Auditions are open to all students. No experience is needed, just a desire to get involved and to have fun. Most rehearsals will be in the evening so if you are in other after-school activities but have thought about getting involved in theatre, this is your chance!
We look forward to seeing you at auditions!

IF YOUR STUDENT IS CURRENTLY ENROLLED AT OSH AND WILL NOT BE RETURNING THIS FALL, PLEASE CALL PENNY LANDRY IN THE MAIN OFFICE (763 391-8500) AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THEY CAN BE WITHDRAWN.

SCHOOL PICTURES/STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Lifetouch photographers will be taking school pictures during all orientation sessions in August. During one of the orientation rotations, students will go to the lobby of the Main Gym to have their picture taken. Because these photos will be used for the student ID cards, students may not wear sunglasses or any type of head covering (bandanas, scarves, hats, etc.) for their picture. These pictures will also be used for the Osseo yearbook (sophomores and juniors). Students have a variety of packages to choose from if they would like to purchase pictures.

There is a special insert stapled in to this Flier, **all students who wish to purchase pictures MUST have this order form with them when they get their picture taken.** Pictures may be ordered by any interested student. *Please be sure to include a check or cash (exact amount ONLY, the photographers do not have change) with your order - payment must be included with the order form.* A separate check is required with each order form. If you need additional forms they will be available in the Main Office by August 4 or at the photo area on the orientation days.

Picture make up day is scheduled for Monday, September 12, with retakes on Monday, October 10. Since all students are required to have a **current** school ID (including seniors), there is no charge for the first ID card, provided students have their picture taken by Lifetouch during orientation or on the make up or retake day. **ALL students are required to have a school issued ID card** – they will need it many times throughout the year to check out library materials, enter school functions, clear absences, etc. Replacement IDs must be requested through the Media Center staff - the cost for each replacement is \$5.00. School policy requires that students show their ID when asked by any staff member.

LOCKER ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2011/2012

As safety issues continue to be of utmost concern, OSH has determined that knowing which student is using which locker is a priority. For school year 2011/2012 lockers will be assigned as follows:

SENIORS: Only seniors are eligible to select their own lockers. However, seniors may only choose a locker in the front hall (Senior Hall) or the back hall (Business Ed. hall). Seniors will be allowed to select their lockers **AT 7:30 AM on Thursday, August 18** (Senior Orientation day) and must bring a lock to secure their choice. Seniors will register their locker in Advisory the first week of school. No more than two (2) seniors may register for any one locker.

JUNIORS AND SOPHOMORES: Lockers will be assigned based on the students' Advisory teacher. Sophomores and juniors may be registered for only one locker.

All sophomores and juniors need to bring a lock with them the first day of school. We suggest that students consider a key lock rather than a combination lock because it is much more secure and less likely to be vandalized.

CLASS SCHEDULES

The schedules that students receive at orientation are tentative. Tentative schedules are handed out at orientation so that students have the opportunity to confirm that they have been placed in the correct classes. Students should carefully check their tentative schedule to make sure they have been placed in six classes and that the classes are the correct level (grade level English, correct level of foreign language, etc.). **Final schedules will be distributed the first day of school – ALL students must pick up a FINAL schedule.**

LUNCH PRICES FOR 2011/2012

Secondary breakfast 'paid'	\$1.30	'Reduced' lunch	\$.40
'Reduced' breakfast	\$0.00	Students second lunch	\$2.60
Senior high lunch 'paid'	\$2.25	Milk choices	\$.50

NHS INFORMATION

Attention all juniors - if your current weighted GPA is 3.7 or above, you are eligible to apply for National Honor Society.

Attention all seniors - if you fit into one of the following categories you are also eligible to apply for NHS for the 2011/2012 school year:

- You applied last year, did not get in, but have corrected any problems or deficiencies in your application. Please note: you DO NOT need to completely redo your application; however, you need to show that your application is now complete in the areas noted in your denial letter.
- You did not apply last year because at the time you did not meet the GPA requirement; however, by the end of the school year you were at or above the 3.7 requirement. Because you did not officially apply last year, you will need to fill out the full application (available on the NHS website).

The application deadline is Friday, September 9 for all applicants. Application information is available on the Osseo National Honor Society website at <https://sites.google.com/a/apps.district279.org/boulkas/home/nhs> or go to the OSH home page under Activities and click on National Honor Society. The website has information and all of the forms you need to complete for application.

Please contact Steve Boulka at boulkas@district279.org if you have any questions concerning your eligibility.



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Osseo High School **2011 – 2012 Oriole Yearbook**

Osseo High School is participating in the Smart Pay sales management program offered through Balfour for our yearbook. Smart Pay handles the order taking and processing so the adviser and staff can spend time producing their best ever yearbook.

- An order offer letter will be mailed to homes this fall. Please be looking for it. **If you prefer, in July you may go to www.smart-pay.com and place your order without waiting to receive the order letter. Order early to receive the discounted price of \$68.00 as the price will increase to \$75.00 September 6th.**
- Payment may be made by check, money order or credit card.
- Payment may be made through the internet at www.smart-pay.com, mailed in using the form at the bottom of the letter you will receive, or phoned in to the Smart Pay ordering line. (All ordering information will be provided in your offer letter.)
- Payments may be tracked and receipts are available for check or money order. Web orders (payments through the web site) will automatically receive a confirmation e-mail.
- Each student is assigned a customer number in the offer letter. This number is important when tracking your order. Please keep it for later reference.

ORIENTATION SPECIAL!!!

Buy your book at your class' summer orientation and receive a special, **one-day-only sale price of \$60.00, CASH ONLY!** This is 20% off the regular price, and it's **only available at your orientation!**

Once again the *Osseo High School* yearbook staff is dedicated to producing a fabulous yearbook that preserves the memories of this school year. We thank you for your support.

ESPECIALLY FOR SENIORS

SENIOR INFORMAL PORTRAIT

The informal portrait of the Class of 2012 will be taken on
THURSDAY, AUGUST 18 at 7:45 AM
(right before Senior Orientation)

Don't be left out – be on the bleachers in the main gym by 7:45 AM

(Remember – the photo will appear in the yearbook
only if it is one that the OSH community can be proud of)

HEY SENIORS! Don't miss out on having a copy of the Senior Informal - bring this order form and your payment to the Senior Informal Picture when it is taken on Thursday, August 18 at 7:45 AM to order your copy of this awesome picture!

Package Options	Quantity	Total
A 1 5 x 7 \$10.00		
B 1 8 x10 \$13.00		
C 1 12 x18 \$21.00		
Total		

Name: _____

For delivery purposes, please list your Advisory teacher: _____

Please make checks payable to OSH Yearbook.

Note from your class advisors!

It's your turn - you get to decide which of your classmates will represent your class as Homecoming Royalty. So don't miss orientation on August 18. In addition to the Senior Informal picture, there is another special activity planned just for you! During one of the rotations you will be meeting with your class advisors to begin planning Homecoming activities and nominate your Homecoming royalty! Homecoming is September 19 - 24. Start thinking now about how to make this the best Homecoming ever!

Also just for seniors - did you miss out on ordering your Men In Black/Orange Women t-shirt? If you did, you have one more chance to place an order!

Order forms will be available at Senior Orientation. You must bring your payment (\$15) and complete the order AT ORIENTATION on August 18. Don't miss out on being part of this great Osseo tradition!

MORE FOR SENIORS (AND THEIR PARENTS!)

ALL NIGHT PARTY KICK OFF MEETING SET LET'S GET YOUR PARTY STARTED!

The Senior All Night Party committee starts planning right at the beginning of the school year so parents have plenty of time to make this the best party their seniors will ever attend! The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 14, at 7:00 PM in the Forum. If you have a senior, please make attending this meeting a priority – mark your calendar NOW. EVERY parent/guardian's help is needed to make this party a success. The first meeting is a 'handing off' from last year's committee to this year's group. During the meeting you will sign up for the committee you want to work on, decide on chair people, ask questions of those who have already done a party and begin planning!

ATTENTION PARENTS OF JUNIORS – YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO ATTEND THIS PLANNING MEETING FOR THE ALL NIGHT PARTY. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP OUT IT WILL BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. IT WILL ALSO HELP YOU GET READY FOR NEXT YEAR WHEN YOU ARE THE PLANNERS BY GIVING YOU A BETTER IDEA OF WHAT IS INVOLVED!

STRIVE: AN EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIP

OSH, in partnership with the Maple Grove Rotary and North Hennepin Community College, is proud to announce that STRIVE will again be available for eligible seniors who want to improve their present grades. The STRIVE program has a proven track record of helping senior students, the school and the community. STRIVE is a scholarship program which recognizes and rewards students from the lower one-third of the senior class who show the most improvement in their class standing/grade point average during their senior year. All students who show improvement in their GPA are recognized with certificates and letters of recognition. Scholarships will be awarded as follows:

- \$2000 scholarship to NHCC or HTC for most improved GPA
- \$1000 scholarship to NHCC or HTC for 2nd most improved GPA
- \$600 scholarship to NHCC or HTC for 3rd most improved GPA
- \$400 scholarship to NHCC or HTC for best attendance during Senior year

To be a part of STRIVE, eligible seniors need to attend an information meeting following orientation on August 18 or the make up orientation on August 29. Listen for an announcement about the location of the meeting. Parents are also invited to attend. Through the mentorship of the Maple Grove Rotarians, OSH seniors are given an unequalled opportunity in developing post high school career plans. We hope that all of our eligible seniors will take advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

A NOTE ABOUT THE OCTOBER GRADUATION ASSEMBLY AND ORDERING ANNOUNCEMENTS, DIPLOMAS AND CAP & GOWN

On October 3, seniors will be attending a Graduation/Announcement assembly in the auditorium as part of the Senior Experience on the All School Advisory Day. It is very important that ALL seniors make this assembly a priority as they will receive information from Jostens on ordering graduation announcements and accessories at a group rate.

During an Advisory in the spring, all seniors will be given a form to fill out indicating how they want their name to be printed on their diploma (middle initial, full name, etc.). It is critical that this information is printed clearly and accurately - **once the diploma is ordered, no changes will be made.** The form also includes a place for the students to indicate their height and weight for their graduation gown. The form will be turned in to their Advisor at the end of the period. **It is imperative that seniors take the time to complete this form.**

Dear Senior Parents and Guardians:

Graduation seems months away, but as parents and guardians, you may be trying to think of a special way to honor your graduating senior. The yearbook staff has two suggestions:

BABY AD: Buy a block of space in a special section of the printed 2012 *Oriole* yearbook. **Each ad will include a baby or childhood photo of your graduating senior and a personal message of 20 words or less.** See the sample ad below.

BABY ADS ARE \$70 AND MUST BE **POSTMARKED** BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
TO BE GUARANTEED A PLACE IN THE YEARBOOK.

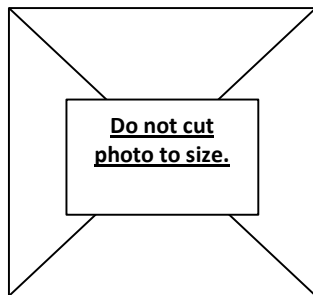
EARLY MAIL-IN SPECIAL... Send your ad in by *SEPTEMBER 6, 2011,*
and receive a ***DISCOUNTED RATE of \$50.00!!!***

If you are interested in this opportunity, please find a photo of your soon-to-be graduate or have a copy made.

- Photos will **NOT** be returned, so make sure this photo is not your **ONLY** one.
- If your photo is not an original, please copy picture onto PHOTO quality paper ONLY. Photo developers such as Walmart, Target, or ProEx have photo copy machines that create copies as good as the originals.
- **DO NOT PRINT PHOTOS ON REGULAR PAPER. THE PHOTO QUALITY WILL BE POOR ONCE PRINTED IN THE BOOK.**
- *Also, please do not cut or alter the photograph in any way. We will crop the photo to the correct size.*

Please include all three items: the photo, the order form, and a check payable to Osseo Senior High yearbook. **Parent ad orders must be POSTMARKED no later than Friday, December 9, 2011 to guarantee getting into the 2012 yearbook.**

Sample A



Anna Oriole

We are so proud of you.
Go for all your dreams.
Congratulations, Anna!

Love, Mom, Dad, Kara and Grandma

VIDEO AD: After purchasing a printed baby ad in the book, you also may purchase a **QR (Quick Response) Code** for your ad. QR Codes are unique, scalable bar codes which link to a secure website. Once you email us your content, we will upload the video or slide show (up to 1GB or about two minutes of video), and Balfour Publishing will maintain the video for the next 30 years. It's a wonderful way to show your love and pride for your child!

If you are interested in this opportunity,

- Content is **created by you and does not have to be complete at time of purchase.** You submit it to us by Tuesday, May 22, 2012, and we will link it to a specific QR Code.
- Each code is **unique to your child**, and the ad is safe and backed up for 30 years!
- **Each QR code is \$150.00** – a portion of the cost covers the maintenance and technology updates to the website.
- **You must buy a print Baby Ad.**

See an example! Either scan the QR Code on the right with your smart phone or type in the unique URL address beneath the code.



bal4.tv/sth6jbg8



bal4.tv/stqaoz90

BABY AD ORDER FORM

Yearbook Staff Use Only		
Picture	Y	N
Payment	Y	N
Video Order	Y	N
Comments:	_____	

Send this half in with your picture and payment.

Senior's Name: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Parents' Contact (phone or email): _____

Message: **(Any message longer than 20 words WILL BE EDITED to the right number! Please honor the word count!)**

I would like to add an order a video QR Code (circle): **YES** **NO**

Include the **additional fee** with your print baby ad fee (pay by check, money order, or cash).

Make checks payable to **Osseo Senior High School Yearbook**. Mail check, photo, and order form to:

Osseo Senior High Yearbook
Attn: Benjamin Rösch
Osseo Senior High
317 Second Ave. NW
Osseo, MN 55369

VIDEO QR CODE GUIDELINES

Retain this portion of the form for your reference should you decide to purchase a QR Code for your child.

- All videos **will be reviewed** to ensure content is appropriate (no sexually inappropriate pictures or videos, no drugs/alcohol/tobacco, no inappropriate language, no illegal activities) before we upload it to the Balfour TV site. While you are responsible for the production and content of the video, we cannot post videos that violate local and school board policies.
- **Suggested Size:** 20 MB (about two minutes)
- **File format** (the following formats are supported by Balfour TV's database):
 - **Video Files:** .avi, .dv, .mov, .qt, .mpeg, .mpg, .mp4, .m4v, .3gp, .asf, .wmv, .3g2
 - **Audio Files:** .mp3, .m4a, .wav, .wma, QCELP, AMR-NB, mod
- **Submission methods:** flash drive or web-based (email – no more than 20 MB or it will crash my email: roschbenjamin@district279.org).
- **Questions:** contact me by phone (763.391.8500) or by email (preferable and quickest means to contact me).

FROM COUNSELING & THE CAREER RESOURCE CENTER

COUNSELING OFFICE AND CAREER RESOURCE CENTER SUMMER HOURS 2011

Michelle Schlorf

August 1, 2, 3, 4, 18, 22, 23 & 25

Anne Price, Sarah Seldon & Jackie Trzynka

August 17, 18, 22, 23, 24, 25 & 26

Michelle Mazanec – Career Development Specialist

August 12, 18, 19, 24, 25 & 26

Judy McGarry – Career Resource Center Tech. Tutor

August 24 & 29

DID YOU KNOW THAT OSH OFFERS...

Each year, the Counseling Office and CRC personnel survey staff and students to determine specific student programming needs for the school year. Students are identified for these programs based on their responses to the needs assessment survey given in Advisory. Programming available may include:

- Mission: Admission (a support program for first-generation college students)
- Academic success skills groups
- ACT preparation program for juniors

If your student would like to participate in one of the programs listed above, please encourage him/her to complete the needs assessment survey in Advisory this fall.

CRC BULLETIN

Ever wonder where you can find information on what's going on in the Career Resource Center? You can check online at <http://www.district279.org/sec/osh/CRC/index.html>. Click on the link to the CRC located at the bottom of the page and then click on OSH Career Resource Bulletin. The Bulletin lists CRC hours, financial aid information, visiting college representatives, visiting career speakers, scholarship information and links to other important information and is updated weekly.

COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES/CAREER SPEAKERS

Every year, many college representatives and career speakers visit the Career Resource Center. If you are interested in attending a specific college or have an interest in pursuing a particular career, be sure to check with the CRC or check the bulletin online at <http://www.district279.org/sec/osh/CRC/index.html>.

OSSEO SENIOR HIGH'S ADVISORY PROGRAM

Advisory is a school-wide program which is required for all students at Osseo Senior High School. It focuses on helping students be successful in high school, pairing a group of students (by grade level) with one faculty advisor. The goal is an advisor/advisee relationship. Ideally, these groups will stay together for three years.

In Advisory, students will learn how to be successful students, plan their high school coursework, explore career and post-secondary education options, and have a chance to connect with one another and their faculty advisor. Administrative business and other extra-curricular group activities will take place in Advisory.

Advisory will meet every Wednesday for 25 minutes. Advisory periods may be moved, added or cancelled depending on the needs of the schedule.

Students will receive a grade of P or I in Advisory and are required to pass (P) all trimesters of Advisory in order to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students are expected to attend all Advisory periods and complete all activities by the end of each trimester. Make up activities can be accessed through the school website (<http://www.district279.org/sec/osh>).

LOOKING FOR ANSWERS ON HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE?

Attend "Planning for college? How will you be paying for it?" on our first regular night of fall conferences, Thursday, October 13, 2011 at 4:00 or 6:00 PM in the OSH CRC. This presentation is for all interested students (grades 10 - 12) and their parents/guardians.

This FREE program provides **parents and students** with a comprehensive look at all aspects of paying for college. The program will cover:

- What it costs to attend college
- How to look for scholarships
- The steps to apply for financial aid
- How to appeal for more financial aid

The program is offered to our school at no cost thanks to Chase Educational Financing.

Please contact the OSH Career Resource Center (CRC) at (763) 391-8666 or (763) 391-8668 if you have any questions. The presentation will ONLY be offered October 13, 2011, the first night of conferences in the fall.

Please note: for your planning, OSH will offer a FAFSA seminar during our Winter Parent/Teacher conferences on January 25, 2012, at 4:00 and 6:00 PM.

PLAN/ASVAB TESTS

Sophomores: The PLAN Test will be given to all sophomores on Tuesday, October 3, on a special schedule day. PLAN is an innovative 10th grade assessment tool that shares many of the features of the ACT assessment which is used for college admissions. Used together, results from the PLAN and ACT (taken as a junior or senior) form a comprehensive base of sophomore to senior guidance information. Advisory teachers, CRC (Career Resource Center) personnel and counselors can effectively use the PLAN Student Report and the ACT Assessment High School Report together to accomplish several specific goals:

- To identify careers of the student's interest.
- To evaluate the student's preparation and planning for high school and post secondary education.
- To chart patterns in academic development, interests, needs and plans.

Juniors: The ASVAB Test will be given to all juniors on Tuesday, October 3 on a special schedule day. The ASVAB results are used as a career exploration tool identifying students' abilities and interests. Advisory teachers, CRC personnel and counselors use the ASVAB to identify career and academic goals with the student.

COLLEGE FAIR

MACAC (Minnesota Association of College Admissions Counselors) is hosting a college fair at Osseo Senior High on March 19, 2012 from 9:45 to 11:15 AM. Over 100 colleges from Minnesota and surrounding states will have representatives at Osseo Senior High. Students who make informed and considered career decisions are more likely to graduate from high school and to succeed in postsecondary education. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to talk to college representatives about admission, scholarships and campus life. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Mazanec at (763) 391-8666 or mazanecm@district279.org.

COLLEGE APPLICATION DEADLINES/TRANSCRIPT REQUEST INFORMATION

The Career Resource Center at OSH is the office to visit when you have questions about applying to college. Colleges will expect complete applications from all students wishing to be considered for admission. A complete application is one that includes:

- a finished application form
- an official high school transcript (please allow at least 5 days for CRC processing)
- a non-refundable application fee (if applicable) - check or money order, no cash
- letter(s) of recommendation (if required)
- counselor form (if required)
- personal statement or essay (if required)

The CRC will only process written and signed requests for transcripts (forms can be found at <http://www.district279.org/sec/osh/CRC/Transcript%20Release%20Form%202010.pdf>). The CRC required processing time of 5 business days for all transcript requests. Please note: students receive 3 transcripts free of charge (unofficial or official). There is a \$3.00 fee (cash only) per transcript (official or unofficial) for each additional transcript requested.

The majority of colleges have application deadlines that must be met to qualify for admission. Please check with the college where you plan to apply for their application deadline. If you are applying to a college with the following deadlines, please remember to request your transcript by the following CRC deadline (to ensure postmark by the deadline):

<u>College Application Deadline</u>	<u>CRC Processing Deadline</u>
October 1, 2011	September 26, 2011
November 1, 2011	October 24, 2011
November 15, 2011	November 7, 2011
December 1, 2011	November 21, 2011
December 15, 2011	December 1, 2011
January 1, 2012	December 16, 2011

Please note - all transcript release forms must be signed by a parent/guardian. Also, **all** transcript requests for *current* students will be processed by CRC personnel only. Transcripts for current students are not available during the summer.

If you have questions about any of this procedure, please call Michelle Mazanec (763 391-8666) or Judy McGarry (763 391-8668).

REQUESTING LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Please remember that many colleges and scholarship applications require a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor or other individual. Be aware of deadlines and allow at least two (2) weeks for the recommendation to be written. Pre-recommendation and recommendation request forms are available in the CRC and/or Counseling Office.

FEE WAIVERS

Verification of eligibility for free or reduced lunch is required for students who wish to receive testing fee waivers. Waivers are available for the following exams:

- PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)
- SAT/ACT college admission exams
- AP (Advanced Placement exams)

The **only** acceptable form of verification is the *original* letter from Osseo Area Schools District Office notifying your family of its eligibility for free or reduced lunch. To obtain a fee waiver, students must bring this letter to the CRC as verification.

If you have questions or would like to request a fee waiver for any of the above listed exams, please contact Michelle Mazanec in the Career Resource Center (763) 391-8666 or mazanecm@district279.org.

SAT AND ACT TEST DATES 2011/2012

The ACT and SAT achievement tests are offered several times throughout the school year.

ALL juniors are encouraged to take the ACT test at some point during the year (most juniors take the ACT test in February, April or June). Students may take the test as many times as they'd like. If you have questions about the best time for your student to take the test, or you would like registration information, please contact the Career Resource Center at (763) 391-8666 or (763) 391-8668 when school starts in September.

Please note: ACT does offer a September test date in the State of Minnesota. Due to the summer registration deadline, students wishing to take the September ACT must register online, which requires payment with a credit card.

ACT – register online @ actstudent.org

SAT – register online @ collegeboard.com

ACT Test Dates

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Postmark Deadline</u>	<u>Late Reg. /Fee Required</u>
September 10, 2011	August 12, 2011	August 13 - 26, 2011
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011	Sept. 17 - 30, 2011
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011	November 5 - 18, 2011
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	January 14 - 20, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10 - 23, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	May 5 - 18, 2012

SAT Test Dates

<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Registration Postmark Deadline</u>	<u>Late Reg. Deadline (fee applies)</u>
October 1, 2011	September 9, 2011	September 21, 2011
November 5, 2011	October 7, 2011	October 21, 2011
December 3, 2011	November 8, 2011	November 20, 2011
January 28, 2012	December 30, 2011	January 13, 2012
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012	February 24, 2012
May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012	April 20, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012	May 22, 2012

FREE ONLINE ACT/SAT/PSAT/ASVAB PRACTICE TESTS!

Again this year, Osseo Senior High has purchased an online practice test package to help students prepare for tests. If your student is interested in this free opportunity, please have him/her visit the CRC for details.

PSAT TEST DATE AT OSH

In October, students will be given the opportunity to take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). It will be given at Osseo Senior High on Wednesday, October 12, 2011. ***Students who have demonstrated the ability to perform well on previous testing and/or previous academic achievement and are ranked in the top 20% of their junior class are encouraged to take this test.***

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit scholarship Qualifying Test is the only qualifying exam for students wishing to participate in the National Merit Scholarship competition. If your student wishes to compete for the National Merit Scholarship he/she must take the PSAT on Wednesday, October 12. In order to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship, students will have to score in the top 1% nationally on this test. Other reasons for taking the PSAT/NMSQT include using it as a 'practice' test prior to taking the ACT or SAT college entrance exams (which most colleges required for admission - the PSAT is rarely used as a college admission test); the results help students with the college selection process and a few scholarships may require PSAT scores.

Students interested in taking this test must register in the CRC. **Registration begins on Monday, September 19 and closes on Friday, September 30 at 2:30 PM.** We have the capacity to test 130 students and registration will be on a first-come, first served basis. The test will be administered at OSH on October 12, beginning at 7:30 AM SHARP! The cost of the test is \$15.00; checks only (made payable to Osseo Senior High). ***Fee waivers are available.***

If you have any questions please call the Career Resource Center at (763) 391-8666 or (763) 391-8668.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION & PARKING

Students are encouraged to utilize the bus service that is funded by the district. Buses arrive at OSH just prior to 7:20 AM and depart just after 2:05 PM. Parking off school grounds is extremely limited. Students who choose to drive may purchase a parking permit for \$45.00 per trimester. Yearly permits are sold only to **full-time** PSEO students, who may purchase a full year permit for \$45.00.

Permit registration cards are available in the main office and will also be available in the student services office starting August 9. Students must bring in the registration card (**signed by both parent and student**) and \$45.00 to purchase a permit. Any student who has an unpaid fine (of ANY kind) will not be allowed to purchase a parking permit until the fees/fines are paid/cleared.

Permits are being sold by grade/class, so seniors will be able to purchase a permit following orientation on August 18. Juniors may purchase permits beginning after their orientation on August 23. Any remaining permits will be available for purchase by sophomores following their August 25 orientation. Permit parking will be enforced beginning the first day of school, Tuesday, September 6. A parking space is not guaranteed to a student permit holder. Parking data suggests that the current permit level will not fill the lot over capacity because many of the permit holders do not drive every day. It is recommended that students work out arrangements to car pool so that we can conserve parking space. The resale of parking permits is **NOT** allowed. Forgery of a permit will result in a tow of the vehicle without notice. Any student using a lost or stolen permit will have their vehicle towed without notice. Students who have lost their permit may have a replacement issued for \$15.00.

Daily permits will also continue to be available for \$5.00 a day and may be purchased at the Information Desk in the main entrance lobby.

Staff and visitor spaces/areas are signed or numbered. Students parking in these spaces will be tagged and fined \$10.00 per violation. Our staff comes to work at different times throughout the day and need to have their space available. Maintaining a safe and secure parking area requires the cooperation of all students. We have a parking lot attendant who is responsible for enforcing the parking rules and maintaining a presence in the lots. Failure to follow the rules will result in the loss of the permit and repeat offenders will be towed. In the interest of keeping the lot secure, students may not sit in vehicles once they are parked. Each student who parks on campus is required to know and follow all rules and requirements.

Vehicles parked in the lot without a permit and vehicles in violation of the parking rules will be towed and the parking permit revoked for the remainder of the trimester. All vehicles parked in the OSH lot are subject to search at the discretion of the administration. OSH reserves the right to tow vehicles parked in the staff/visitor areas, handicapped spaces and fire lanes. If you have any questions about the parking rules, please ask an administrator for clarification.

Any student using his/her vehicle to truant a class will have their permit revoked for the remainder of that trimester. Repeated truancies may also result in the loss of parking privileges at the discretion of administration.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & OTHER VISITORS Parking & Signing In

Our staff spaces are marked and are intended for OSH staff only. The first row of spaces as you enter the lot (facing the back yards on 3rd Street) is designated for visitors and substitute teachers. There are also several visitor spaces at the beginning of each row, which are marked with 'Visitor' signs.

FOR SAFETY AND BUILDING SECURITY, ALL VISITORS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN IN AT THE INFORMATION DESK LOCATED IN THE MAIN ENTRANCE LOBBY, REGISTER THEIR VEHICLE AND GET A VISITOR BADGE. THE BADGE MUST BE WORN THE ENTIRE TIME THE VISITOR IS IN THE BUILDING.

From the Volunteer Coordinator's Office

STUDENTS - YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

For all returning students - if you have strength in a subject (or subjects), please fill out a Peer Tutoring form when school starts in the fall. As always, we have a great need to replace the tutors we lost to graduation. If you would like to be a tutor or sign up to have a tutor, pick up a form (the same form is used for both) in Counseling, the Main Office, Attendance or the Volunteer Office (Room 103). If you are requesting a tutor, make sure you complete the days/times you are available and your phone number so a tutor can reach you. Completed forms can be returned to any of the offices listed above. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Newcomb at (763) 391-8542, leave a note for her in one of the offices or email her at necombm@district279.org.

Youth Service Transcript Recognition - Transcript recognition is available to students who volunteer during the school year. Volunteer Service is one of the areas many admission offices and employers look at when considering an applicant. Many things qualify for this recognition - scouting, religious, elementary or junior high volunteering, peer tutoring and office/teacher aide hours (eligible as long as it is not for credit). Outside of school volunteering also counts and Ms. Newcomb has a list of volunteer sites for students interested in finding opportunities outside of OSH. You may also find your own volunteer site. When a student volunteers during a trimester, they can get a designation on their transcript that indicates their volunteer service by completing the Volunteer Service Form. Youth Service forms are available in the offices listed above for Peer Tutoring forms. Return the signed, completed forms to the Volunteer Office or the Main Office by the last week of the trimester.

ADULT VOLUNTEER INTEREST FORM

As we begin a new year at Osseo Senior High, we are again requesting your time and talents to help build a strong link between home and school. If you have a few hours to spare, day or evening, OSH needs you! We need parental assistance to help make our youth's education a special time for them. Show your kids your school spirit by volunteering, fill out the form below and send it to school with your student.

Filling out the form is not a commitment on your part. From the interests you express, we will make our calling lists. This information gives us a starting place in our efforts. Thank you.

- Orientation in August
- Help Lifetouch photographers on picture days
- Check lunch numbers for students in September
- Music Department assistance
- Media Center Assistance
- College Fair
- Guest Speaker
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Registration Conferences
- Special Projects – Short term notice
- Student Senate Blood Drives
- Cake Cutting - Awards Night

Name _____ Phone # _____



Marsha Newcomb, Volunteer Coordinator
Osseo Senior High
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Adult Volunteer Application Scheduling Sheet



OSSEO SENIOR HIGH

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Please provide the following information to assist us in scheduling your volunteer time. Your contact information will allow us to place you in volunteer position(s) and to notify you if anything changes with your assignment. Providing your contact information is optional, but if you do not provide it, you will not be able to volunteer. We may share your contact information with school district employees who need the information in order to do their jobs, appropriate people in an emergency, and/or parent group (PTO/PTA/Advisory Committee) representatives as needed by event coordinators. We will also release your information if a court orders its release, or if you authorize the release of information to other agencies.

Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____

Address _____ City/Zip _____

Email address _____

Contact me at (_____) home work cell Secondary Number:(_____) home work cell

Medical emergency contact _____
(Name) (Phone Number) (Relationship)

Please check one:

- I am the parent/guardian of current ISD 279 student(s).
- I am NOT the parent/guardian of current ISD 279 student(s). NOTE: We will need to make a copy of your Photo ID for our records.

SCHEDULING INFORMATION Please list school-aged children in this school:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Indicate your availability	Day(s)	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	<input type="checkbox"/> At Home Projects
	Time(s) a.m./p.m.						

- I agree:
- that any photos taken while participating in an ISD 279 Osseo Area Schools activity may be used in District informational or promotional materials
 - to review and support school board policy 924 - Volunteers in Schools and volunteer guidelines (www.district279.org/general/DistrictVolunteers)
 - to hold harmless the ISD 279 Osseo Area Schools for any actions taken by me
 - that if I have misrepresented information provided on this application and/or fail to adhere to program guidelines, my application approval may be withdrawn.

Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: The BACKGROUND DISCLOSURE portion of the volunteer application (next page) MUST be returned to school for your volunteer application to be complete.

Adult Volunteer Application Background Disclosure



OSSEO SENIOR HIGH
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Volunteer Name (please print):

Last Name _____ First _____ MI _____

This Background Disclosure page of the Adult Volunteer Application is a screening document. It will be reviewed by the volunteer coordinator to determine whether or not a criminal history background check is needed. If a criminal history background check is needed, you will receive a Background Authorization Investigation Form from your volunteer coordinator. Submission of the Background Authorization Investigation Form is required before a criminal history background check can be run.

This Background Disclosure page, which includes private data, will be stored separate from the Scheduling Sheet (page 1 of the Adult Volunteer Application) in a secured location as designated by the principal or site leader.

This Background Disclosure portion of the Adult Volunteer Application **MUST** be returned to school for your volunteer application to be complete.

Are you a current ISD 279 employee? NO YES

If 'yes':

Employee ID Number: _____

(Sign and return this form with the scheduling sheet of the volunteer application. Do not complete the Consent and Acknowledgement section.)

CONSENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

If you are not a current ISD 279 employee, you must answer each of the following questions. Refusal to answer these questions will result in denial of approval for you to volunteer at school. Based on responses to these questions and/or the volunteer assignment for which you are considered, District 279 reserves the right to request a criminal history background check (you will be notified if this is the case). The background disclosure section of the adult volunteer application and information contained in it is PRIVATE and will only be shared with the volunteer coordinator, principal, site leader, Human Resources, and/or people authorized by law to have access as needed.

Have you ever been arrested, charged or convicted of a criminal offense other than a minor traffic violation? NO YES

Have you ever had any indicated finding of child abuse filed in your name? NO YES

Does your name appear on any Sex Offender Database in any state or country? NO YES

If your response to any of these three questions is 'yes', please answer the following questions:

Has ISD 279 run a criminal history background check on you in your capacity as a volunteer in the past? NO YES

If 'YES', please provide approximate date: _____, and has anything changed in your background since the previously run criminal history background check? NO YES

Signature

Date



OSH ATHLETES

Plan Ahead For



Fall 2011 Sports

August 2: Sign up begins for fall sports. Sign ups will continue through the week. Registration takes place at the Athletic Office at OSH. Registration hours are Monday through Friday from 7:15 to noon and 1:00 to 3:00 PM. Registrations will ONLY be accepted in the Activities Office and must be done in person (not by mail). You may register for the following sports: Boys/Girls Cross Country, Football, Girls' Swimming/Diving, Boys' Soccer, Girls' Soccer, Girls' Tennis, Girls' Volleyball, Adapted Soccer (sign up at Park Center).

August 15: All Fall Sports Begin

Come Prepared:

You must have an athletic packet completely filled out to sign up for a sport. The student ID number is required on the form; this number is assigned to the student when they enroll in the district and does not change. Students should memorize this number. If you don't know what the ID number is, you can find it on the student's report card. The packets are available in the Main Office all summer and our Activities Office after August 9. The forms are also available on the OSH website with the exception of the emergency card. You must have a sports qualifying physical that was done within the last three years. All fines from previous years for lost or missing equipment, parking fines, books fines, or any other fines must be cleared before registration is accepted for the new year. The athletic fee for each sport is \$180.00.

Physicals should be completed before August 2, 2011. This will allow enough time to sign-up before the above "official start date" so you can participate in your sport. Physicals are valid for three years once they are on file in the athletic office. **The 'history' column of the physical must be filled out each year and signed by parent/guardian and student.**

7th, 8th & 9th grade students *must live in the OSH attendance boundaries* in order to participate in the Osseo Senior High athletic program.

Activity Office Opens August 2
Registrations accepted daily from
7:15 AM to 3:00 PM
(Office closed between 12:10 and 1:00 PM for lunch)
Call 391-8600 after August 2 with any questions.
ALL registrations must be done in person in the
Activities Office for students to
receive clearance to participate.

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Independent School District 279 does not discriminate on the basis of disability. If you require auxiliary aids or services in order to participate in or attend a district activity, please call us at 391-8500 or TDD (612) 391-7250 at least seventy-two (72) hours in advance (two week notice preferred).

The Osseo Flier is mailed several times a year to parents of Osseo Senior High students and interested community members. We hope to keep you informed by presenting information about the instructional program, upcoming events, and matters of general interest.

Please contact the school office if you have information that you would like included in the Flier, or if you have questions or comments. Your suggestions regarding topics you would like to see included in future issues are welcome and your continued support and interest are much appreciated.

Summer Building Hours
Daily 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM
(The office may be closed for an hour for lunch
some time between 11:00 and 1:00)
Please call 391-8500 with any questions or if you are coming
during the lunch period to make sure someone is here.

Additional information is available on the district website under Parent Resources. This includes a newly formatted one-page calendar for the year, lunch menus for all grade levels and the district emergency policies for all students. All of this information is available to print out for your use at home.