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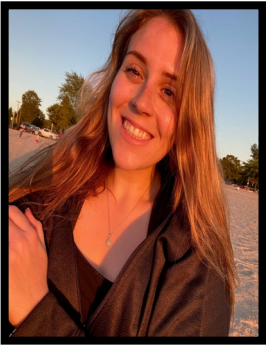
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## Oscoda Area Schools Welcomes our New Teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year



Ms. Chelsi Hillard joins the OHS staff where she will teach PE and Health. Ms. Hillard graduated from Central Michigan University in 2020 with a major in Health Education and a Minor in Physical Education. She is thrilled to be a part of the team and become a member of our community.



Mr. Ryan Stegbauer joins the OHS staff to teach Mathematics. He graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 2016 with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Social Studies. After teaching in Phoenix, Arizona for 5 years Mr. Stegbauer is excited to return to Michigan and join the OHS team and the Oscoda community.

Mrs. Marry Morris returns to OAS for the 2021-2022 school year as an Elementary Special Education Teacher. She says that education is her passion and she is excited to share this passion in Oscoda. Mrs. Morris completed her Bachelor's Degree, two Master's Degrees, and an Education Specialist Degree with Saginaw Valley State University and is currently enrolled as a doctoral student at Central Michigan University with a focus on Educational Leadership.



Mrs. Angela Flack recently relocated to Oscoda from Midland. A 2021 graduate of Central Michigan University, Mrs. Flack obtained her Bachelors of Science in Education, Integrated Science. Angela joins the 8<sup>th</sup> grade team for her first year in teaching and is very excited to join the Owl Community.



Mrs. Montana Guffey joins the OAS team from Cadillac where she taught Resource Room English to junior high and high school students. She obtained her Bachelor's Degree from Central Michigan University, her teaching degree from Davenport University, and is finishing her Master's Degree at Ferris State University. She is very excited to be joining the team at RES for the 2021-2022 school year.



Mr. Benjamin Guffey graduated from Ferris State University with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education Social Studies with a minor in English. Mr. Guffey will also be joining the athletics team as the JV Football Coach for the 2021-2022 school year. He is incredibly excited to join the team at OHS and looks forward to teaching our 7<sup>th</sup> grade students this year.



Ms. Mikayla Erickson joins the RES Team for the 2021-2022 School Year. Ms. Erickson graduated from Northern Michigan University with a BA in Elementary Education. As a Native Owl and 2012 graduate of Oscoda High School, Mikayla is excited to be home and giving back to the community she grew up in.



Mr. Brendan Flack will be joining the team as a middle school ELA teacher. Originally from Manistee, Michigan; he graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Geography and teaching endorsements in Social Studies and English. His last position was at Traverse Bay Area ISD. He is very excited to begin his time as an owl!

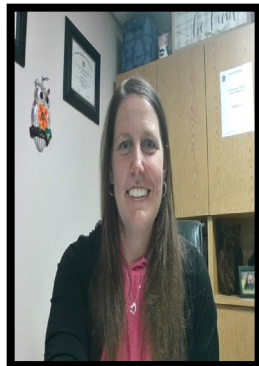


Mrs. Stacey Schuknecht is excited to be joining the Special Education team for the 2021-2022 school year. After graduating from Central Michigan University with a BS in Education with a Cognitive Impairment endorsement, Stacey taught K-3 students in Arizona for 6 years. Following this experience, Mrs. Schuknecht came back to Michigan where she earned her Master's Degree from SVSU and taught at Hemlock Schools for 19 years.

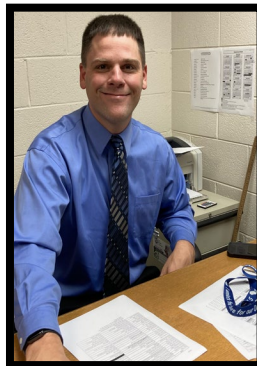
# Ready for Another Fantastic Year!



# New Faces and New Places, Oscoda Area Schools Welcomes Our Newly Placed Administrators



Rebecca Brooks joins the OHS Administrative Team as the new High School Principal after serving as Richardson Elementary School's Assistant Principal for 3 years. As a 2007 graduate from Saginaw Valley State University, Mrs. Brooks received her teaching certificate with endorsements in Elementary Education, 6-8 ELA, 6-8 Mathematics, and 6-8 Social Studies. More recently Mrs. Brooks completed her Education Specialist Degree with a focus in Central Office Administration. This year marks Mrs. Brooks' 14<sup>th</sup> year as an educator. Mrs. Brooks is excited to become a part of the high school staff. She looks forward to working with staff, families, the community, and most importantly, helping students as they work towards their high school graduation.



Mr. Seth Alda joins the high school administrative team as the Dean of Students for the 2021-2022 school year. Following his 2003 graduation for Oscoda Area Schools Mr. Alda attended Saginaw Valley State University where he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education with an emphasis in History, Political Science, Social Studies, and Physical Education. Mr. Alda was fortunate to return to Oscoda following the completion of his degree where he has taught a variety of subjects in grades 7-12 and served as the Head Coach of the Varsity Basketball Team. Mr. Alda shares that he and his wife, Amy (also a 2003 graduate of OHS) feel blessed to raise their two sons in such a great district and community. He is excited to take on this new role and is looking forward to a great school year.



Mrs. Ann Sheffer joins the team at Richardson Elementary School as the new Assistant Principal. Mrs. Sheffer received her undergraduate degree from Saginaw Valley State University and her Education Specialist degree from Oakland University. She is originally from Midland where she taught at the elementary level and served as the District Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) Coordinator. She is very excited to join the Owl Family to work with the students, parents, and staff at RES.



Ms. Cheri Meier will join the OAS staff as Athletic Director for the 2021-2022 school year. Ms. Meier is a retired educator with 30 years of experience as a teacher, coach, and administrator. Cheri obtained her bachelor's degree from Michigan Tech University and her Master's from Michigan State University. Cheri is also a 1986 Oscoda graduate and is looking forward to returning to OAS to work with students, staff, and families.



GO OWLS!



Mr. Dean Caldwell will begin the school year as the Assistant Athletic Director and is heading into his 7<sup>th</sup> year teaching English and coaching JV Girls Basketball at OHS. In addition, Mr. Caldwell has coached JV Football for 3 seasons and is heading into his 4<sup>th</sup> year coaching varsity football as an Assistant Coach. Dean is looking forward to serving in his new role as Assistant Athletic Director and growing and continuing the successes of the Owl Athletic Programs.

# District Notes

## From the Superintendent



Welcome back to school! We are very excited to have our students back on campus! We are eager to begin the school year in the safest and most secure manner possible. We are dedicated to remaining flexible as we strive to empower our students and families to have choice in their educational experiences and environments! We will encounter challenges that we have never experienced before. Working together we will be successful. We look forward to partnering with our families and the community as we approach these challenges with care and compassion. Your support of our students and staff is critical to our efforts. It is an exciting time to be an Owl! We are confident that we are in a strong position to offer a wide range of educational options for our families. We have been blessed in recent years with our achievements in learning and extra-curricular ventures. These successes could not have been achieved without so many contributions from our wonderful community. We need your support now more than ever in providing positive encouragement to our students and staff.

The students that we serve face more uncertainties and have greater expectations and requirements imposed on them than ever before to keep pace with our rapidly changing society. As such, we feel that it is essential to stay grounded in the pillars that shore up our character. It is our objective to instill upon our students:

- the value of being a positive and productive member of our community
- A work ethic strengthened in determination
  - Skills to the best of our ability
  - Resiliency in the face of adversity
- Compassion through our acts of kindness and grace

We are taking some of the positive components learned during the pandemic and blending them to a return to a more traditional approach to school.

The students of the 21<sup>st</sup> century have more opportunities relative to education and they are also charged with digesting more information than at any time in history. Oscoda Area Schools is committed to providing the best education possible for our children. We strive to offer the kids in our community as many quality opportunities as possible. The enhancement of our programs continue to resonate with our community as we strive to put "**Students First.**" We invite you to partner with us to deliver the finest education possible. Without the support of the community we will not be poised to accomplish this most integral endeavor.

It is our desire that our institution continues to serve as a beacon of hope where we can generate enthusiasm in our students and for everyone in our area. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of service. OAS is optimistic at the prospect of outperforming what has been previously achieved in the spirit of improvement and the advancement of our Owls! We will work to enhance our programs on a daily basis for the betterment of our students! Thank you and Go Owls!

--Scott Moore, Superintendent

## New Student Registration

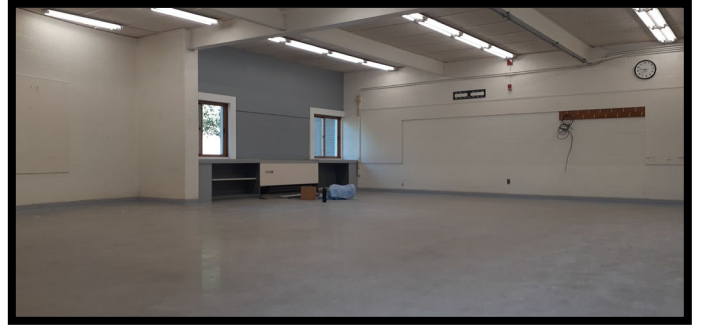
Students new to the Oscoda Area Schools are asked to register in the Central Registry Office located at Richardson Elementary School. Students must be 4 years old on or before September 1<sup>st</sup> to attend kindergarten. The following paperwork is **REQUIRED** for enrollment into Oscoda Area Schools:



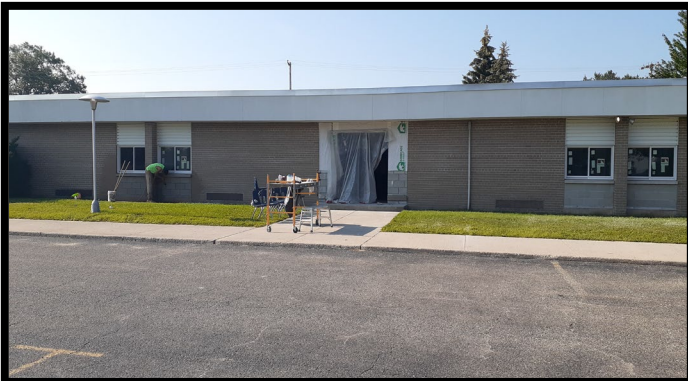
- Certified Copy of Birth Certificate
  - Shot Record
  - Proof of Residency
  - Custody/guardianship papers, divorce papers (if applicable)
  - Most current IEPC (if applicable)
- For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call Mrs. Vito at (989) 739-6704.



# 2021-2022 Summer Projects



This summer the first phase of our Sinking Fund Project got underway at Richardson Elementary School (RES). The majority of the work took place at the portion of the building closest to River Road as well as the east wing of RES. The bulk of this work involved abating the floors in these areas of the building and grinding and polishing the floors to ensure a clean and beautiful finish. In addition to work on the floors, Oscoda Area Schools was able to replace many of the exterior doors and windows in these areas to improve energy efficiency, functionality, and aesthetics. Phase two of the project is slated for the summer of 2022 with the remainder of Richardson Elementary School undergoing similar abatement and replacements. We would like to thank our community once again for their support in passing this millage; this work wouldn't be possible without your assistance!



## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In order for the district to benefit from various State and Federal grants and supplemental funding, it is **IMPERATIVE** that every household fill out, sign, and return a Household Reporting Form before October 1<sup>st</sup>. This form is used for administrative purposes only and the information is kept confidential. You will find the Household Reporting Form included in this document. We appreciate our cooperation!

# HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION REPORT SY 2021 - 2022

District: \_\_\_\_Oscoda Area Schools\_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_Richardson Elementary and Oscoda High School

To determine eligibility for various additional state and federal program benefits that your school may qualify for, please complete, sign and return this report to *Oscoda Area Schools*.

**These sections must be completed by the head of household or designee.**

## **PART A: STUDENT INFORMATION** – Complete for each student Pre-K through 12th Grade

Student's Last Name	Student's First Name	Grade Level	School	Identify H if Homeless M if Migrant R if Runaway F if Foster

**If you need additional lines, attach a second sheet to this report or attach a copy of this report clearly marked as a Page 2.**

**PART B: BENEFITS RECEIVED** - If any member of your household receives Food Assistance Program (FAP), Family Independence Program (FIP), or FDPIR, provide the name and case number for the person who receives benefits. Bridge Card Numbers and Medicaid Numbers are NOT ACCEPTABLE case numbers.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Case Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C: SIZE OF FAMILY** - Enter the total number of individuals living in your household, including all adults and children → \_\_\_\_\_

**PART D: TOTAL MONTHLY HOUSEHOLD INCOME** – Report income for all members of household excluding Foster Children. If you have reported a case number above, you do not need to fill in this section. Simply sign and date form.

Type of Income	Income	Circle if None
1. Gross Monthly Earnings: Wages, Salary, Commissions	\$	None
2. Monthly Welfare Payments, Child Support, Alimony	\$	None
3. Monthly Payments from Pensions, Retirement, Social Security	\$	None
4. Monthly Dividends or Interest on Savings	\$	None
5. Monthly Worker's Compensation, Unemployment, Strike Benefits	\$	None
6. Other Monthly Income (SSI, VA, Disability, Farm, other)	\$	None
<b>Total Monthly Household Income</b> (Add lines 1-6)	\$	

**PART E: SIGNATURE** - I certify (promise) that all information on this report is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the school will get federal/state funds based on the information I give. I understand that school officials may verify (check) the information.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Printed Name) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address) (City) (Zip)

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(Home Phone) (Work Phone) (Email Address)

**Do NOT fill out this section. This is for school use only.**

Status: F \_\_\_\_\_ R \_\_\_\_\_ N \_\_\_\_\_ Determining Official's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2021-2022 School Calendar

## August

- 20 New Teacher Professional Development
- 23 Teacher Professional Development  
Elementary Meet the Teacher Meetings (by appointment only)
- 24 Teacher Professional Development  
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- 25 Teacher Professional Development  
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OHS Open House and Laptop Distribution (7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Freshmen Meeting - 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade - 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Senior Meeting - 7:15 pm - 8:00 pm
- 26 Teacher Professional Development  
Elementary Meet the Teacher Meetings (by appointment only)
- 27 Laptop Distribution - RES - All Students  
Grades K-6 - 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
- 30 First Day of School Grades 1-12

## September

- 1 First Day of School for Kindergarten Students
- 3 **NO SCHOOL** - Labor Day Weekend
- 6 **NO SCHOOL** - Labor Day
- 13 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 14 OHS School Picture Day
- 17 Homecoming Football Game

## October

- 6 Count Day
- 11 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 12 **Early Release** - 12:30 pm - Teacher Professional Development
- 27 RES School Picture Day

## November

- 1 **NO SCHOOL** - Teacher Professional Development
- 5 End of 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period
- 8 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 9 Chester's (Therapy Dog) 3<sup>rd</sup> Birthday
- 10 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 12 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Parent Teacher Conferences

- 15 **NO SCHOOL** - Hunters Safety Day
- 24 **NO SCHOOL** - Thanksgiving Holiday
- 25 **NO SCHOOL** - Thanksgiving Day
- 26 **NO SCHOOL** - Thanksgiving Holiday

## December

- 13 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 23 - January 3 **NO SCHOOL** - Winter Break

## January

- 4 School Resumes
- 11 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm - Organizational Mtg.
- 19 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Exams
- 20 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Exams
- 21 Early Release - 12:30 pm - End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester

## February

- 7 **NO SCHOOL** - Mid-Winter Break
- 14 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 15 Early Release - 12:30 pm - Teacher Professional Development

## March

- 14 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 21- 25 **NO SCHOOL** - Spring Break
- 28 School Resumes

## April

- 1 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period
- 11 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 15 **NO SCHOOL** - Good Friday
- 18 **NO SCHOOL** - Easter Monday

## May

- 9 Board of Education Meeting, 7 pm
- 18 Last Day of School for Seniors
- 22 Graduation Ceremony
- 24 **Early Release** - 12:30pm - Teacher Professional Development
- 30 **NO SCHOOL** - Memorial Day

## June

- 7 Early Release - 12:30 p.m. - Exams
- 8 Early Release - 12:30 p.m. - Exams
- 9 Early Release - 12:30 p.m. - Last Day for Students
- 13 Board of Education Meeting - 7 p.m.

**Please note - the school calendar is subject to change**





# **2021-2022 RES Afternoon Pick-Up**



Please read the following information carefully. Our goal is student safety. In consultation with our local health and police departments, the following afternoon parent pick-up routine will be implemented.

- Teachers will walk all students to the buses and to pick-up areas
- Parents who pick-up their children must have a picture I.D. with them.
- Social distancing protocols should be followed
- Pick-up areas will be close to the parking lot. We will have signs marking the areas. This area will be barricaded from traffic. Please see the picture below.



- **No vehicles will be allowed to enter the RES circle during pick-up time.** Any vehicle parked in the RES circle should plan to exit the area prior to 2:30 p.m. Barricades will be set up at 2:30 p.m. and will not be removed until buses have left the parking lot.



## **Classroom Dismissal Routine:**

- Dismissal will be staggered (2:50 - 3:05) throughout the building.
- Teachers will have the student/parent pick-up information on their clipboard. The person picking up the child must match the clipboard information that was supplied by the office. I.D. will be required, if needed, to verify identity. If clarification is needed, the office will be notified and concerns will be sorted out.
- Students being picked up will be released to verified family members who are waiting in the assigned pickup location for that grade.
- Pick-up locations will be identified with signage.
- Students will not be released without the teacher acknowledging that the student is safely in the care of the parent/guardian.
- All students will remain with their teachers until released to parents or to their bus. The teacher will walk students to their assigned buses. Students identified as "pick-up" whose parents are not located, will return to the school office with the teacher.

# 2021-2022 RES Morning Drop-Off



Please read the following information carefully. Our goal is to make our campus very safe. In consultation with our local health and police departments, the following morning drop-off routine will be implemented.

- Student morning drop-off is between 7:40 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- We have designated drop-off locations in the front circle at RES for students based on grade level.
- We ask all families to be patient and very careful when driving near the school.
- Parents dropping off 5<sup>th</sup> grade, Young Owls Preschool, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and/or 4<sup>th</sup> graders should stay to the right and go behind the greenhouse to the designated drop-off location.
- Parents dropping off Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, and/or 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will go straight to their designated location (main entrance or just to the east of the main entrance) to drop off their children.
- We are asking that parents stay in their vehicles when dropping off children.
- **ALL children should exit the vehicle from the RIGHT side only (passenger side).**
- Parents should pull up in front of the designated RES grade level entrance. The child safely exits the vehicle on the right and the parent pulls away when it is safe to do so.
- Please do not drop students off prior to 7:40 a.m. as doors will be locked. At 7:40 a.m. a RES staff member will open the door and supervise the drop-off location until 8:00 a.m.
- Breakfast stations will be located throughout the building.
- Social distancing protocols will be in place.
- For late drop-off, after 8:00 a.m., parents will enter at the main entrance and sign students in at the RES office.

## Drop-Off Route and Locations

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and Young Owls Preschool

Students will enter at the rounded section of the School to the north of the greenhouse



### 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Students will enter the school at the north Library door.

**WELCOME BACK  
TO SCHOOL**



# 2020-2021 RES Morning Drop-Off

## 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Students will enter at the main RES Entrance



## Kindergarten

Kindergarten will enter at the first entrance to the east of the main entrance. This entrance is very near the Kindergarten and 6<sup>th</sup> grade hallways.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will start their day at the high school building for their Enrichment Class. Please drop 6<sup>th</sup> graders off at the main entrance of the high school. Sixth graders return to RES at 9:00 a.m. for the remainder of their day.

Please Note: For the health and safety of our young children, we are limiting the number of visitors in our building at the current time. We are requesting that parents only enter the building when absolutely necessary. We appreciate our families for doing their part to keep our students and staff as safe as possible.



**THANK YOU**

## Your cooperation is appreciated!

## ***Important Technology News***

Our students will be issued a laptop for the 2021-2022 school year. Below you will find the dates and times for laptop distribution. It is important that you make it to the scheduled times. If you cannot make this time please reach out to us by either calling 989-739-6500 or contacting us via email at [helpdesk@oscodaschools.org](mailto:helpdesk@oscodaschools.org). The beginning of the school year is a busy time for all and we look forward to seeing everyone back!

### **Key Points Regarding Laptop Distribution**

- **Guardians need to be present to sign for laptop.**
- Laptops will not be issued to the student until the parent has signed the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).
- A laptop will not be issued to your student if they did not return the laptop last year.

<b>Laptop Distribution Schedule</b>			
<b>Grade Levels</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Grades 7 thru 8	August 25, 2021	4 pm to 6 pm	OHS Commons
Grades 9 thru 12	August 25, 2021	6 pm to 8 pm	OHS Commons
Grades K thru 6	August 27, 2021	2 pm to 6 pm	RES Main Entry

Insurance is being offered through the school this year. You may pay the district directly at the time of laptop pick up. ***The insurance is a flat fee of \$25 per device.*** The table below shows the cost for items to be replaced if you do not have insurance.

<b>Device</b>	<b>Laptop Cost</b>	<b>Keyboard Cost</b>	<b>Screen Cost</b>	<b>Motherboard Cost</b>	<b>Charger Cost</b>
Dell 3190-1	\$ 320.00	\$ 19.89	\$ 119.39	\$ 298.00	\$ 27.65
Dell 3190-0	\$ 285.00	\$ 19.89	\$ 119.39	\$ 298.00	\$ 27.65
HP Probook x360 G5	\$ 336.92	\$ 60.00	\$ 317.00	\$ 318.60	\$ 24.43
HP Probook x360 G1	\$ 310.41	\$ 97.20	\$ 114.84	\$ 215.00	\$ 24.43
Dell 3300	\$ 471.00	\$ 24.87	\$ 129.34	\$ 626.84	\$ 22.22
Dell Latitude 3450	\$ 469.68	\$ 9.94	\$ 159.19	\$ 820.87	\$ 22.22
Lenovo 11E	\$ 335.00	\$ 33.95	\$ 109.99	\$ 308.95	\$ 13.43

It is imperative that your student's device is cared for. Replacement parts have been on order for many devices, but most items are on back order with no current estimated time of arrival.

Online registration for returning students is live. When logging to Skyward Family Access on Wednesday August 18th, you will be asked to update your information. Once completed, you will be able to see student schedules and more. If you do not have a Skyward Family Access login, please fill out the Request Form on our school website at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTITb6ugUNnM\\_NrT-WT15K-Ou7ULPMSw682GUITj9sRkywWg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScTITb6ugUNnM_NrT-WT15K-Ou7ULPMSw682GUITj9sRkywWg/viewform).

# **Technology Device Frequently Asked Questions**

- **Who does the Laptop belong to?**

Even though each student is responsible for his/her laptop that is assigned to him/her, it is still the property of OAS. It is comparable to a textbook. Since the students do not own the Laptops, there is an Acceptable Use Agreement that they must sign and follow.

- **When will students receive their Laptop? If a student has his/her own device, is he/she able to use that and opt out?**

Students, both current and new, will receive their Laptop during laptop distribution times assigned. These devices are valuable instructional tools and will be used daily. Every student is required to use the school issued Laptop. OAS wants students to take advantage of this valuable resource.

- **Since the Laptops look the same, how will students tell them apart?**

Each Laptop has a bar code label on the bottom of it. This label shows the model and serial number. Laptops will be issued name tag labels for younger grade levels going forward. Students are not to remove the labels off or add any stickers of their own.

- **Will students be able to take them home every night, on vacations, or during breaks?** Students will be able to take the devices home every night to complete class assignments. They will also be allowed to take them on vacations, during winter break and spring break. However, at the end of the year, the Laptops will be collected for the summer and then handed back out at the beginning of the next year. Each student will receive the same Laptop that he/she had the previous school year.

- **What happens if a student does not have internet at home?**

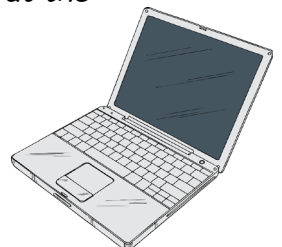
Students may do school work with Google docs at home without the internet. Many assignments and handouts can be downloaded while at school. However, the Laptop is able to connect to wireless internet in any location. A limited number of district provided hot spots are available to students with NO internet.

- **What happens if a student leaves OAS?**

If a student leaves the district, it is his/her responsibility to return the device. If it is not returned, the student will be charged the full cost of the device.

- **When a student graduates, can he/she keep the Laptop?**

No. The Laptop belongs to OAS; the students will not get to keep them when they graduate. Laptops will be returned in a similar fashion that textbooks have been collected for years. The only occasion that this may happen is if the laptop is at the end of the replacement cycle. Seniors will be notified if it is a possibility.





- **What happens if the Laptop or charger stops working/breaks?**  
If this happens, the student is to report the Laptop or charger to the Helpdesk immediately. If the problem can be solved quickly, the student will be able to continue using the device. If the problem is serious, it will be taken into service by the Technology Department and fixed in a timely manner. There are a certain number of loaner Laptops that can be given out if needed.
- **What who pays for the device if it becomes damaged?**  
Similar to textbooks, students are responsible for taking adequate care of the Laptop assigned to them. Ultimately the student is responsible for any damages to his or her device. There is a chart above of the most common repair costs if uninsured. Insurance is optional but highly recommended. Insurance costs \$25 annually. Purchasing insurance will keep you from being charged repair costs in the event the device becomes damaged.
- **What happens if the Laptop or charger is lost or stolen?**  
If a Laptop or charger is lost or stolen, students need to report it immediately to the Helpdesk.
- **What happens when a student forgets to charge his/her Laptop?**  
There are a certain number of loaner Laptops that can be given out for the day if needed. It is the responsibility of the student to bring his or her charged Laptop to class on a daily basis.
- **What log-in will the students use, and can the device be used for personal use?**  
The students will have a district login that allows them to log into their Laptop to work on assignments. However, even though they can log in outside of school, the Laptops are not intended for personal use.
- **Can other students or parents use the Laptop?**  
No. Only the student that the Laptop is issued to can use the device.

# **2020-2021 Transportation Information**

The Oscoda Area Schools Transportation Department is ready to roll into the new school year and we can't wait to see our students on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

We ask for your patience and understanding as we begin the year. We want ensure that our students are safe and healthy. Please note the following rules that must be followed by all bus riders and drivers:

1. **ALL STUDENTS AND STAFF MUST WEAR A FACEMASK** before entering the bus and throughout the entire bus ride.
2. If your student forgets their mask, or does not have one, masks will be available at the front of the bus.
3. If your student is medically unable to wear a facemask, you must provide documentation signed by your doctor to your child's school.
4. Hand sanitizer will be available on all of our school buses.
5. If you are able to drive your child to school, we encourage you to do so.
6. If your child would like to walk or ride a bike to school on the bike path, parental permission must be on file with the school office.

We would like to remind you of the following important safety tips:

- ▶ YELLOW flashing overhead lights on the school bus, you must be prepared to stop and be on the lookout for children coming from any direction as they are often unpredictable.
- ▶ RED flashing overhead lights on the school bus, you **MUST** stop. It is illegal to pass a school bus with flashing red overhead lights on no matter what direction you are going.

**BE EXTRA CAUTIOUS - BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR STUDENTS - FOLLOW THE LAW  
IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR - LETS GO OWLS!**

**BUS DRIVERS NEEDED  
JOIN OUR TEAM  
BE HOME WHEN  
YOUR KIDS ARE HOME**

**Training Provided**

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As we continually evaluate the needs of our students and community, transportation changes need to be made. Please be patient with us as additional adjustments will be necessary after school begins. The pick-up times listed on the next page are approximate, so remember to be at your stop five (5) minutes early. Our goal is to support student learning by providing safe and reliable transportation for our students.

# 2021-2022 Bus Routes

## Owl - Glennie

6:30 Bamfield Rd. Machine Shop  
6:40 S. Vaughn Lake Rd. & Webster  
6:50 M-65 & Sawmill Rd.  
6:50 Emerald Apartments  
6:52 Pine Acres Rd. & State Rd.  
7:00 Willert Rd.  
7:05 Loud Dam Rd.  
7:10 Cozy Cabins On M-65  
7:25 Foote Site  
7:30 Pinecrest Dr.  
7:35 Aldersgate Apartments

## Bear - Mikado

6:47 Coville Rd. & E. Wissmiller Rd.  
6:52 E. F-30  
6:53 Cutting Rd. & E. F-30  
6:55 F-41  
6:57 E. Lovelace Rd. & S. F-41  
6:59 Lee Lane & S. F-41  
7:04 Alvin Rd. & Kings Corner Rd.  
7:05 2320 Kings Corner Rd.  
7:09 F-41 & Jeanette Dr.  
7:10 Chippewa Rd. & Colbath Rd.  
7:11 Chippewa Rd. & Indian Trl  
7:18 Westshore Dr. & F-41  
7:18 Gull Point

## Moose - Mikado & Villages

6:40 Mikado Civic Center  
6:45 E. F-30 & S. London Rd.  
6:50 E. Andrews Rd & S. Cruzen Rd  
6:52 Vandercook & S. Cruzen Rd.  
7:09 California St.  
7:13 N. Alaska St.  
7:14 Florida St.  
7:15 S. Alaska St.  
7:16 Bissonette Rd. & N. Rose Lane  
7:17 Bissonette Rd. & Forest Dr.  
7:18 Lodge Rd.  
7:20 Cedar Lake Rd. F-41 to US-23

## Dolphin - Greenbush

6:25 Ellen Dr.  
6:37 E. F-30 & S. Poor Farm Rd.  
6:38 4275 East F-30  
6:47 E. Ridley Rd. & S. Scott Rd.  
6:49 S. Poor Farm Rd. & Sal Dr.  
6:50 S. Poor Farm Rd.  
6:54 Cedar Lake Rd. Greenbush Area  
6:57 E. Gruff St. & W. Cedar Lake Rd.  
7:03 Timberlakes  
7:04 N. US-23  
7:06 Last Resort  
7:25 W. Michigan Ave.

## Shark - Greenbush & Lakewood

6:35 E. Cedar Lake Dr. & Lake to Lake  
6:37 E. Cedar Lake Dr. & Martel  
6:41 E. Cedar Lake Dr. & Huron Cedar

6:53 W. Cedar Lake Rd.  
7:02 Cedar Lake Rd. & Kings Corner  
7:05 Crestwood/Westwood Dr.  
7:10 Woodlawn Dr.  
7:16 6000s Cedar Lake Rd.  
7:25 Huron Street  
7:30 Oscoda St.

## Wolf - Lakewood Shores

6:46 AuSable Rd. & N. US-23  
6:49 Woodlea Rd.  
6:52 Joy Dr. & Woodlea Rd.  
6:53 Celia Dr. & Woodlea Rd.  
6:57 Lakewood Dr.  
7:03 Briarwood Way  
7:06 Woodlea Road W.  
7:09 Kingswood Ln. & Lakewood Dr.  
7:11 Logan Rd.  
7:15 Logan Rd. & Ahrens  
7:15 Williams Rd.  
7:20 Gaston Way  
7:25 Tecumseh Ave.  
7:25 Jerome St.

## Fish - Bissosnette & Wilber

6:24 600 Bissonette Rd.  
6:25 Near Tr. & Nine Point Rd.  
6:25 Merton Rd.  
6:30 Alvin Rd. & Fern Rd.  
6:47 Wakefield Rd. & Wells Rd.  
6:50 Wells Rd.  
6:54 E. AuSable Rd.  
6:57 Brooks Rd. & Curtis Rd.  
7:22 Sunset St. & River St. Area  
7:25 Harmony, River Ave., Melody

## Deer - Loud Dr. & Cedar Lake

6:55 Kings Corner Rd.  
7:02 Birch Acres  
7:07 7000s Loud Drive  
7:09 Hillcrest Dr. & Loud Dr.  
7:10 Joels Trail & Loud Dr.  
7:11 Loud Dr. & Pine Ridge Trail  
7:12 Lawrence Dr. & Loud Dr.  
7:12 6900 Loud Dr.  
7:14 6700 Loud Dr.  
7:15 6500 Loud Dr.  
7:16 6300 Loud Dr.  
7:17 6100 Loud Dr.  
7:19 Cedar Lake Rd. & Oscoda St.

## Duck - US-23 S & AuSable

6:51 Mackenzie Rd. & Maple Rd.  
6:52 Mackenzie rd.  
6:54 West Side N. US-23 to Dobson  
6:55 East Side N. US-23 to Johnson  
7:12 Forest Rd.  
7:17 Harbor St.  
7:18 Pine St.  
7:19 2<sup>nd</sup> St. E.

7:21 1<sup>st</sup> St. N.

## Bunny - AuSable

7:12 6<sup>th</sup> St. N. (AuSable)  
7:13 Sycamore  
7:14 State St. SW  
7:15 3<sup>rd</sup> St. N.  
7:17 3<sup>rd</sup> St. N & Church St.  
7:17 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
7:18 N. Second St.  
7:22 Old US-23  
7:23 AuSable Rd. & DelRosa Dr.  
7:25 Grass Lake/Ralph Scott

## Butterfly - Brewster Park/

### Jordanville/Weir

7:05 Norway  
7:08 Stagecoach Trail  
7:09 Nelson Lane & Stewart Ct.  
7:11 Cherokee Ave. & Iroquois St.  
7:12 Potomac St.  
7:13 Cedar St. & Chippewa Ave.  
7:14 N. US-23 Gaston Way to Jordanville  
7:18 Hillcrest Ave. & Weir Rd.  
7:19 Weir Rd.  
7:20 Heather St.  
7:20 Cedar Lake F-41 to US-23  
7:23 Mcnichol and Cedar Lake  
7:25 Hughes  
7:28 Pine St.

## Crab - Villages of Oscoda

7:10 Pathway to Learning  
7:12 Bissonette Dr. & Maryland  
7:13 6<sup>th</sup> St. & Missouri St.  
7:15 Bissonette Dr. & Rhode Island  
7:15 Bissonette dr.  
7:16 Bissonette Dr. & Wyoming St.  
7:17 Pennsylvania Ave.  
7:20 Nebraska St.

## Eagle - Villages of Oscoda

7:05 F-41 Cedar Lake to Main Entrance of Villages  
7:15 8<sup>th</sup> St. & Mississippi St.  
7:15 8<sup>th</sup> St. & Minnesota  
7:15 Massachusetts St.  
7:18 7<sup>th</sup> St. Duplex  
7:20 7<sup>th</sup> St.  
7:15 Tennessee  
7:16 Mission Dr. & S. Carolina St.

## Turtle - Oscoda

7:15 Lake St. Oscoda  
7:17 Family Video  
7:18 Hillcrest Ave. & Weir Rd.  
7:23 Chalet Ct.  
7:25 Cedar Lake to F-41  
7:35 Hull Island



# 2021-2022 Fall Sports Schedule

## Varsity Football



8-26	Tawas	Away	7:00 p.m.
9-2	TBD	TBD	TBD
9-10	Frankfort	Away	7:00 p.m.
9-17	Frankfort	Home	7:00 p.m.
9-24	East Jordan	Home	7:00 p.m.
10-1	Harbor	Away	7:00 p.m.
10-8	Johannesburg-Lewiston	Away	7:00 p.m.
10-15	St. Ignace	Away	7:00 p.m.
10-22	Houghton Lake	Home	7:00 p.m.



## Jr. Varsity Football

8-26	TBD	TBD	TBD
9-1	Rogers City	Home	6:30 p.m.
9-9	Mio	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-16	TBD	TBD	TBD
9-23	Whittemore	Home	6:30 p.m.
9-30	TBD	TBD	TBD
10-7	Au Gres	Home	6:30 p.m.
10-14	St. Ignace	Home	6:30 p.m.
10-21	Whittemore	Away	6:30 p.m.

## 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football



9-11	Meridian	Away	5:00 p.m.
9-18	Houghton Lake	Home	5:00 p.m.
9-25	Pinconning	Away	5:00 p.m.
10-2	Beal City	Home	5:00 p.m.
10-9	Harrison	Away	5:00 p.m.
10-16	Beaverton	Home	5:00 p.m.
10-23	Farwell	Home	5:00 p.m.



## Cross Country

9-8	Standish Invitational	Standish	4:00 p.m.
9-21	Jamboree #1	Fairview	5:00 p.m.
9-28	Jamboree #2	Whittemore	5:00 p.m.
10-2	Gladwin	Gladwin	5:00 p.m.
10-5	Jamboree #3	Rogers City	5:00 p.m.
10-12	North Star Finals	Oscoda	3:30 p.m.

## NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Oscoda Area Schools welcomes Cheri Meier into the role of Athletic Director for the district. She is responsible for the oversight of the district's athletic program. Please understand that as we navigate another uncertain year changes are inevitable. Your patience and understanding is greatly appreciated!

## Boys Soccer



8-24	Standish	Home	7:00 p.m.
8-26	Kalkaska	Away	5:00 p.m.
8-28	Grayling Invitational	Away	TBA
9-8	Fairview	Home	7:00 p.m.
9-10	Pinconning	Home	5:00 p.m.
9-13	Alcona	Away	5:00 p.m.
9-15	Tawas	Home	7:00 p.m.
9-18	Oscoda Invitational	Home	10:00 a.m.
9-20	Whittemore Prescott	Home	7:00 p.m.
9-23	Calvary Baptist	Away	5:30 p.m.
9-25	Caro	Home	2:00 p.m.
9-27	Sault Ste. Marie	Away	TBD
9-29	Alcona	Home	7:00 p.m.
10-4	Tawas	Away	7:00 p.m.
10-6	Fairview	Away	5:00 p.m.
10-9	Sault Ste. Marie	Home	11:00 a.m.
10-11	Whittemore Prescott	Away	5:00 p.m.

## JV Boys Soccer



8-21	Brandon	Home	3:00 p.m.
9-7	Ogemaw	Away	5:00 p.m.
9-11	Boyer City	Away	12:00 p.m.
9-15	Tawas	Home	5:00 p.m.
9-20	Alpena	Away	TBA
9-29	Boyer City	Home	5:00 p.m.
10-4	Tawas	Away	5:00 p.m.
10-6	Ogemaw	Home	5:00 p.m.
10-9	Alpena	Home	9:00 AM

## 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball



9-8	Whittemore	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-10	Tawas	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-15	Alcona	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-17	Hillman	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-22	Hale	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-24	Posen	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-29	Tawas	Away	6:00 p.m.
10-1	Whittemore	Away	6:00 p.m.
10-5	Hillman	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-8	Alcona	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-13	Hale	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-15	Posen	Away	6:00 p.m.

# 2020-2021 Fall Sports Schedule

## Varsity Volleyball

8-21	Mt. Morris Invitational	Away	8:30 a.m.
8-31	Grayling Tri	Away	TBA
9-9	Mio	Home	7:30 p.m.
9-16	Tawas	Home	7:30 p.m.
9-18	Garber	Away	9:00 a.m.
9-21	Fairview	Home	7:30 p.m.
9-23	Alcona	Home	7:30 p.m.
9-25	Linda Hennigar Invite	Home	9:00 a.m.
9-28	Atlanta	Away	7:30 p.m.
9-30	Posen	Away	7:30 p.m.
10-7	Hale - Volley for a Cure	Home	7:30 p.m.
10-12	Hillman	Home	7:30 p.m.
10-14	Rogers City	Away	7:30 p.m.
10-16	Inland Lakes	Away	TBA
10-19	AuGres	Home	7:30 p.m.
10-21	Whittemore	Away	7:30 p.m.
10-23	Mt. Morris Invitational	Away	8:30 a.m.
10-30	N. Star League Tourney	Home	TBA



## JV Volleyball

8-24	Standish Tri	Away	5:30 p.m.
8-31	Grayling Tri	Away	TBA
9-9	Mio	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-11	Linda Hennigar Invite	Home	9:00 a.m.
9-14	Standish Tri	Home	TBA
9-16	Tawas	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-18	Whittemore	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-21	Fairview	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-23	Alcona	Home	6:00 p.m.
9-28	Atlanta	Away	6:00 p.m.
9-30	Posen	Away	6:00 p.m.
10-7	Hale	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-12	Hillman	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-14	Rogers City	Away	6:00 p.m.
10-19	AuGres	Home	6:00 p.m.
10-21	Whittemore	Away	6:00 p.m.
10-23	N. Star League Tourney	TBA	TBA



## Safety Protocols and COVID-19

As we enter the 2021-2022 athletic season we want to thank our community for their support. At this time, it is important to note that Oscoda Area Schools does not intend to limit the number of spectators permitted at athletic events. In addition, we do not intend to REQUIRE face masks be worn while attending athletic events. However, we do encourage the community to make sound decisions regarding the choice to mask-up at both indoor and outdoor gatherings. We are also excited to announce the return of concessions for the 2021-2022 athletic events.

As always, our team will work hard to communicate any changes to operational plans with as much advanced notice as possible. We continue to appreciate our community's flexibility and understanding as we approach a new school year. Good luck to all our student athletes, we are proud of your hard work and look forward to what we can accomplish this year!

## The Owl Health Extension

The OWL Health Extension Clinic is a cooperation between Oscoda Area Schools and Alcona Health Center and funded by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. We are located inside Richardson Elementary School. The OWL Health Extension Clinic is staffed with a Nurse Practitioner, Mari Anderson, a Registered Medical Assistant, Krystal, and a Behavioral Health Therapist, Catherine Nickell-Simpson. Our on-site clinic makes medical and behavioral health services easily accessible to the children of our school. We provide well-child check-ups, immunizations, sports physicals, and treat acute illnesses and injuries. In order for your child to be seen and treated at the clinic, a signed consent form must be on file and the child's parent or guardian will be contacted and given the option to use the services at the OWL clinic prior to treatment. We aim at achieving the best health for our children physically, intellectually, and emotionally! Please feel free to reach out to us at 989-569-6002.

# Oscoda Area Schools 2021-2022

**First Day of School for Grades 1 - 12 is August 30<sup>th</sup>**

**First Day of School for Kindergarten is September 1<sup>st</sup>**

## Who to Call

Oscoda High School – Grades 7-12 ..... 739-9121  
Principal – Rebecca Brooks  
Dean of Students – Seth Alda  
Richardson Elementary School – Grades K-6 ..... 739-9173  
Principal – Tamara Pichla  
Assistant Principal – Ann Sheffer  
Food Service ..... 739-2401  
Director – Jan Sancrant  
Assistant Director – Kimberly Rehil  
Athletics ..... 739-9121  
Director – Cheri Meier  
Transportation ..... 739-2024  
Director – Christina Ruedisueli  
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Board of Education ..... 739-2033  
Superintendent – Scott Moore  
Coordinator of Payroll & Benefits – Chelsey Butterson  
Chief Financial Officer – Sean Pear  
Technology Director – Jana Stepp  
District General Manager – Michael Barnhart  
Special Education ..... 739-6704  
Secretary – Joy Vito  
Community Education ..... 739-1431  
Director – Christina Ruedisueli  
Operation and Plant ..... 739-2920  
Director – Anthony Brooks

On the Web ..... [www.oscodaschools.org](http://www.oscodaschools.org)

## School Start/Dismissal Times

High School 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Richardson 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Early Release Days 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

*Release times will be staggered to allow for social distancing.*

## FREE Student School Meals

**Breakfast and Lunch FREE for ALL Oscoda Students** through the National School Lunch and Breakfast Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the 2021-22 School Year!

*It is imperative that all families fill out, sign, and return the Household Information Report.*

## Oscoda Area Schools 2021-2022 School Year Safety Precautions

The following are the key points of Oscoda Area Schools plan for student health and wellness for the 2021-2022 school year. While we will work hard to ensure as much choice as possible all year, we appreciate your support and understanding as we navigate the school year.

### General Information

- All students will be placed into in-person instruction this school year unless arrangements have been made with the building principal.
- While we encourage vaccination for all those that are eligible, we will NOT be requiring student to prove vaccination status in order to attend in-person instruction.
- We will continue to implement social distancing (where feasible) and cohorting practices for students in Pre K through 9<sup>th</sup> grade during the 2021-2022 school year.

### Physical Health and Safety Measures

- Increased sanitation and cleaning measures will continue this school year.
- We are procuring air purification systems designed to minimize risks associated with COVID-19 and other illness causing agents
- Masks are being recommended for students at this time, but will not be required in our schools.
- Masks will be available for those that choose to wear them or upon parent request.
- By Centers for Disease Control (CDC) mandate, students WILL be required to wear masks when riding the school bus to and from school.
- We are still encouraging families to arrange for transportation if they are able.

**WELCOME  
BACK!!**

**Welcome Back Students - We Missed You!**

