



Olympia South Elementary
Mrs. Stacey Rogers, Principal
Parent Update-Week of August 28, 2023



MAP Assessments given K-5 this week

Tuesday : 1pm - Fire Drill

Wednesday: 9am - Lockdown Drill

Thursday: Spartan Cart Day

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

When a student misses 2 days a month..	When a student misses 4 days a month..
They will miss 20 DAYS a year.	They will miss 40 DAYS a year.
They will miss 30 HOURS of math over the school year.	They will miss 60 HOURS of math over the school year.
They will miss 60 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.	They will miss 120 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year.
They will miss over 1 YEAR of school by graduation.	They will miss over 2 YEARS of school by graduation.

MAP Fall Assessments given this week

All students K-5 will take their math and reading NWEA-MAP fall benchmarking assessments this week. Our data teams will look at benchmark scores, along with other fall assessment data to determine MTSS groups for the fall semester. Next week, MAP family reports along with notification of what your child will be working on during the daily MTSS time will come home. MTSS groups will start Monday, September 11th.

Drills this week

We are still practicing our safety drills this week. Last week's fire drill was rescheduled for this week because of the Early Out day. On Wednesday, students will practice "locking down", then walk over to our reunification site with their teachers. Classroom teachers will have conversations with the students prior to the drills. We discuss ALICE procedures but don't practice them. Here is some [information](#) to give you an understanding of what ALICE means. These procedures are the same ones we have followed for many years. If you do not want your child to be a part of these discussions or if you don't want them to participate in the lockdown drill, please let their teacher know.

Picture Day - **DAY AFTER LABOR DAY**

Our picture day has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 5th. [Flyers](#) will be distributed at school. You will have the option to order online at inter-state.com/order
Order Code is 80793PB

Hope Bags -non perishable food/personal care support

We are still accepting responses to be added to the list of families receiving weekly Hope Bages. The link to the letter is below. If you have any questions, please contact our family coordinator, Michelle Maris.
michelle.maris@olympia.org
[Hope Bag letter](#)

From the PTO

The link to the spartan store has opened! Please go to Facebook and like Oly South PTO to see the link to the fall fundraiser store. Here is the link to the online order form : [Oly South Spartan Store Order form](#)
PTO will have a booth at the Atlanta Fall Fest September 8-10 however we are in need of volunteers to help run the booth. If you are available to help find our signup also located on our Facebook page.
Mark your calendars, the first PTO meeting of the school year will be September 13 at 6:30 at Oly South. Anyone is welcome, we love to see new faces!
Our first "Break the Rules" day will be Friday, September 8th. A flyer will be coming out soon with more information!

Parent Education Feedback

We are seeking parent input to help plan our parent education opportunities for the 23-24 school year. Please take a minute to click on the link to the google form below and share your thoughts with us if you haven't already done so.
[Parent Education Feedback](#)

Atlanta Fall Festival Information

Atlanta Fall Festival 73rd Annual Parade: Come join the fun and walk in the 73rd Annual Parade on Sunday, September 10 at 3:00 PM. 1st - 5th Grade students are invited to dress up in costume and walk in the 73rd Annual Atlanta Fall Festival Parade. Students will be judged for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place by grade with prizes awarded after the parade. Costumes do not have to follow the parade theme but should be family friendly. Students may also decorate a bicycle and ride in the parade. Bicycles will be judged for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes. Judging and line-up will be at 2:00 PM at Olympia South Elementary School south side parking lot. Registration may be done on the atlantafallfestival.com site and all registrations received by September 1 will be entered in a drawing for 1 free bounce house pass valued at \$25.00. If you have questions, please email atlantafallfestival@gmail.com.

Important Upcoming Dates:

September 4th-No School - Labor Day

September 5th - Picture Day

September 7th - New student 1st-5th - Dilly Bar party

September 8th - Break the Rules Day sponsored by PTO

September 11th - MTSS intervention groups begin

September 11th - Board Meeting-6pm

September 13th - PTO meeting - 6:30 pm - OSE

September 25th - Institute Day - No School for students

Link for Flyers: Please check out our recently added flyers:

<http://www.olympia.org/o/district/browse/16336>