

# Osseo-Fairchild Middle School

## Moving to the Middle *Family Guide*

# Welcome to Osseo-Fairchild ..... Middle School .....

**You are moving to the middle!**

**This family guide has been  
designed to help students and  
families become more  
familiar with OFMS!**

# OFMS Guidelines

**Be On Time**

**Be Prepared**

**Work Hard**

**Be Nice**



*O-F Middle School - A GREAT place to be!*

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# Academics

## Core Content Areas

- \* *Language Arts*
- \* *Literature*
- \* *Math*
- \* *Science*
- \* *Social Studies*
- \* *RTI* (*Response to Intervention*)

*Log on the to Osseo-Fairchild  
Middle School Webpage  
to see what's happening  
in the core classrooms  
each week!*

## Encore/Elective Classes

- \* *Agriculture*
- \* *Art*
- \* *Band*
- \* *Business Ed*
- \* *Choir*
- \* *Computer Lit.*
- \* *FCE*
- \* *Health*
- \* *Physical Education*
- \* *Tech. Ed*



# HomePlus (24/7 online grading program)

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Students and parents stay connected and up-to-date with this online grading program!



Access grades, missing assignments, and attendance from the convenience of your own computer- 24 hours a day - 7 days a week!

Students and parents/guardians have personal passwords (provided in the office).

Log on to the Osseo-Fairchild School Webpage to access your account:

[www.ofsd.k12.wi.us](http://www.ofsd.k12.wi.us)



**Parents/Guardians are asked to check this with their child weekly.**

# O-F MS Planner

**All middle school students are provided with a MS planner at the beginning of the school year.** *(Additional planners can be purchased from the MS/HS office for \$5.00-8.00)*

## Goals::

- All middle school students use the O-F MS planner daily.
- Parents of MS students check their child's planner 2 or 3 times/week.
- Student should fill in the activity and/or homework for each class.
- Students should not be writing "no homework or nothing" in the planner

## O-F School planners also include....

- staff phone numbers & email addresses
- important dates
- study tips
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# “Keeping It Together”

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## Organization is the key to success!

Students at OFMS need to make organization a priority. There is a lot of help and support to help students with this task. Parents are asked to stress the importance of organization and work with their child to be sure lockers, portfolios, trappers, backpacks, notebooks and folders continually stay neat and organized.

OFMS does use a color coding organization tool.

Language Arts - Orange or Black

Math - Blue

Reading - Red

Science - Green

Social Studies - Yellow.



# Attendance

Please call the office if student will be absent from school.  
715-597-3141 Ext. 1407

If student will be absent, please contact teachers to get the work the student will miss for the day. Please pick it up in the office by 3:30 or have someone bring the work home.

If student will be gone for an extended period of time, please call the office for a pre-arranged absent slip.

A call home will be made if your child has been tardy or missing from any class period throughout the day. Please discuss these phone calls with your child and call the office the next day if they need to be cleared up.

If students are late to a class from another class, it is their responsibility to get a pass, and get the tardy cleared up in the office before the end of the day.



# Homeroom

O-F Middle School Students will have homeroom daily.

During this time, students will meet with their homeroom advisors and homeroom community.

Our overall goal is to create a community where we all work together.

## Homeroom curriculum days are as follows:

Monday: What's in the news? School, local, state, world, etc.

Tuesday: Academic Day + Club Meetings

Wednesday: Portfolios & PBIS

Thursday: Academic Day + Club Meetings

# Behavior Programs

**PBIS**

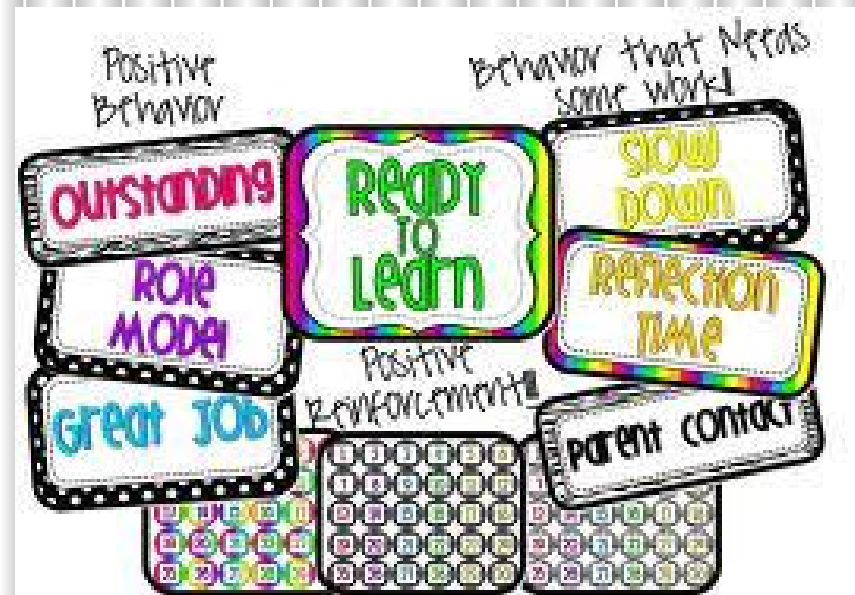
**PRIDE** trips each quarter

**Team Renaissance Celebrations**

**Individual Teacher incentives**

**School Counselor Referrals**

**Office Referrals**



# Middle School Extra-Curricular Programs

## Athletics

### *Fall*

Football (7th-8th)

Volleyball (7th-8th)

Cross Country (6th-8th)

Girls Golf (6th-8th)

### *Winter*

Basketball (7th-8th)

Wrestling (6th-8th)

### *Spring*

Boys Golf (6th-8th)

Track (6th-8th)



## Clubs

(6th-8th)

Archery

Art Club

AV/Tech. club

Battle Of The Books

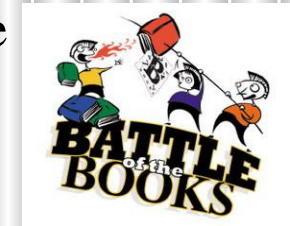
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Forensics

Student Council

Team Renaissance

Quiz Bowl



# Parent-Teacher Conferences

## **3 Middle School Parent-Teacher Conferences**

1. Goal Setting
  - Parent & Student
  - First day of school
2. Fall Conference - scheduled times
  - November (or so)
  - Parent & Student
  - SLC + Portfolio
3. Spring Conference
  - April (or so)
  - Parent & Student
  - SLC + Portfolio

## Student-Led Conferences

### Rationale:

- \* Puts responsibility for learning on the student
- \* Creates an authentic audience for portfolio assessment
- \* Decreases stress and frustration for teachers/parents/guardians
- \* Provides an opportunity for children to talk about their education and their progress with their parents/guardians in a formal setting
- \* Provides practice for students in communication and organizational skills



# Nutrition Break & Lunch

Nutrition Break is offered about mid-morning for MS & HS students. Students are charged for nutrition break through their lunch account.

Students are allowed to bring a snack/lunch (preferably healthy) from home if they do not wish to eat the school nutrition break and lunch options.

All-you-can-eat salad bar is provided daily at lunch.

Pop and energy drinks are not allowed in the middle school.

Student lunch accounts/lunch ID numbers are the same ones they were issued in the elementary schools.

Lunch money can be paid in the MS/HS office or online.

Nutrition break and lunch menus are posted on the school webpage.

Visit the Osseo-Fairchild school webpage @ [www.ofsd.k12.wi.us](http://www.ofsd.k12.wi.us)



# Lockers

- \* Students are **ASSIGNED** a specific locker at the beginning of the year. Locker switching and sharing is not allowed.
- \* All students need to purchase a **SCHOOL LOCK**, which should be locked on lockers at all times. These locks can be purchased in the MS/HS office.
- \* Students should **NOT** share their lock combination with anyone (not even their best friends) other than their parents/guardians. Please stress this with your children.
- \* Lockers are the property of the school and school officials can enter the lockers at anytime if there is a need.
- \* Students should keep their lockers neat and clean.
- \* We ask that parents please check their child's lockers each month.



# Announcements/News

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Daily announcements are posted outside the main office and on the school's in house TV. Students are encouraged to check the announcements daily.

Daily announcements are also posted on the OF School webpage for students and families.





# Parent Checklist

(Please refer to this checklist often throughout the school year) .....

Visit Osseo-Fairchild School webpage at [www.oisd.k12.wi.us](http://www.oisd.k12.wi.us) weekly

Daily announcements, upcoming events, staff email addresses, student grades,

**Info Now: 24/7 Online Grading program**

Please check this site for missing work, grade progress, etc.

Parents should have their middle school child check STI with parent present 2x's weekly

Access through school webpage:

Follow links: Parent/Guardian - **Info Now**

**Planner:** Parents review and sign child's planner 2 x's weekly

Students should be writing what is done in class and their "to do" list in planner daily

Reminder all staff phone numbers and email addresses are inside the front of the

planner.

**Math Calendar:** Practice facts and have parents sign 3 x's weekly (6<sup>th</sup> grade)

**Vocabulary:** Weekly words - please study with your child - quiz them :)

**Outside Reading, possible book reports.** 15 minutes each night.

Please check with your child and/or teachers if you have questions.

**Locker Check:**

Parents should have middle school child show them their locker/clean out monthly

**Lunch Money:** Payable in office

**Absences:** Call the office right away to notify school of absence.

**Please request homework** if student is absent from school. **Ask for work ahead of time** if student has a planned absence. It is much easier for students to be ahead of the game, vs. trying to play catch-up.

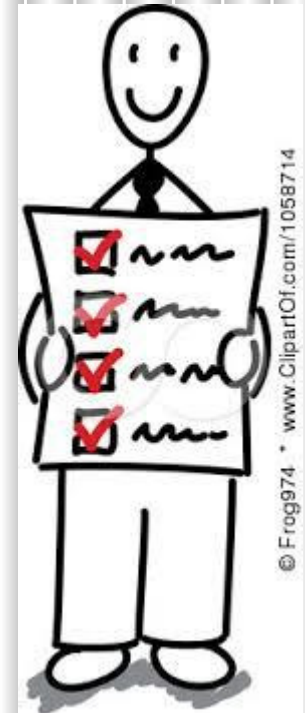
**Progress Reports:** will be issued at 3, 6, 9 weeks. Dates are located on page 2 of the planner.

**Middle School students will have homework nightly.**

If you are not seeing homework come home nightly, please contact your child's teachers

ASAP.

**Parent/Teacher Contacts:** Staff emails and phone numbers/extensions are printed in the front of the Students' planners. Please use these resources for continued home/school communication



# O-F Middle School Supply List

7 Pocket Folders (Color coded to match notebooks)  
7 Separate One Subject Spiral Notebooks (*without* perforated edges)  
3 or 5 subject notebook for math (*without* perforated edges)  
Language Arts(orange), Math(blue:3 subject), Reading(red), Science(green), Social Studies (yellow)  
2 inch, hard cover, 3-Ring Binder for Math only  
1 inch, hard cover, 3 ring Binder for reading only  
Many #2 Pencils with Erasers  
Pens with blue or black ink  
3+ Red Checking Pens/Pencils  
Colored Pencils  
Ruler (cm & inches)  
Protractor  
Compass  
Scissors  
1 Scientific Calculator with fraction capability  
Crayola Markers  
White Glue  
4-8+ Large Glue Sticks (buy while they are on sale)  
Large Eraser  
2 Highlighters (different colors)  
Handheld Manual Pencil Sharpener  
Pencil Pouch  
Post-it notes



Large book covers  
40 plastic cover pages that fit in 3-ring binders  
Accordion Folder or Trapper Keeper  
Locker shelf(optional)

**Additional supplies to turn into homeroom teacher on first day:**

**\$10.00 for MS portfolio projects, labs, planners, supplies + misc. – Pay to Homeroom advisor on first day**

White T-Shirt (we will dye and decorate this in homerooms)

2 large Kleenex boxes

2 large containers anti-bacterial wipes

1 jar hand sanitizer

1 box ziploc bags (any size)



# Resources

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**Staff names, phone numbers, and email addresses...**

- located on the school webpage
- located in the student planners.

**O-F MS/HS Office phone number: 1-715-597-3141**



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