CONNECTIVITY FOR STUDENTS

Oakwood CUSD #76 has finally received our hotspots for staff and students with no internet or poor internet that does not allow them to participate in Google Meets or complete coursework for remote learning. T-Mobile has included a CIPA compliant filter with the hotspot that limits usage for non-educational purposes. Please refer to the Hotspot Checkout Consent Agreement for details.

Along with the agreement is a check out form. Please fill out the information and return it to your child's school building if you are interested. Please do not request a device if you currently have internet that allows you to complete coursework.

Click on this link to access the "Hot Spot" Forms: https://5il.co/lfnn or Call your building principal for assistance.

COVID-19 "RETURN TO LEARN" DISTRICT TASK FORCE UPDATE

The Task Force met on September 23rd for discussion on the challenges and opportunities before us and how we can support our Students, Parents, and Teachers who are feeling overwhelmed as we navigate the current guidelines related to COVID-19.

The Task Force discussed getting feedback from stakeholders to find out the specific areas of concern and how to adjust the plan to best meet those needs. Therefore, we are putting together an updated parent and staff survey to get input to listen and learn from our parents and staff members how we be supportive and move forward together.
STUDENT DAILY ATTENDANCE

Please help us by making sure that your son or daughter is logged in for attendance according to each school center's guidelines. Thank you.

MEALS FOR STUDENTS ~ MUST BE LOGGED IN FOR ATTENDANCE TO RECEIVE MEALS DURING REMOTE LEARNING DAYS!

FREE MEALS FOR ALL STUDENTS

As you may already be aware, the USDA has granted a waiver allowing school meals to be provided free of charge to all children ages 1-18 in the household (including registered students over the age of 18). This waiver is effective September 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020. These free meals are also provided for students during in-person days.

If you wish to request meals for your student’s remote learning day (or other siblings in the home), you may do so by completing the request form on our website. This form must be completed by 3:15 pm on Fridays for pickup on the following Wednesday at Oakwood Grade School in the car rider lane. Currently, OGS is the only site for meal distribution/pickup. Also please note, only the parent/guardian may pick up meals for their children. This USDA waiver restricts us from allowing friends to pick up meals for others.

Link to the form: https://forms.gle/BM2ZwSS4SyXvtQ599

Thank you! Sheila Odle, Food Service Coordinator

DISTRICT CALENDARS

- District Hybrid School Calendar of Instruction-Click on the following link; https://5il.co/jc1y
- District School Calendar - Click on the following link; https://5il.co/l44r
- Wednesday 9/23 - School Improvement in the afternoon. Teachers will only be available until 11:30 AM for Remote Learning.
- Friday 9/25 is NOT an early dismissal day.

FALL REOPENING DOCUMENTS

Here is the link for our district documents; https://www.oakwood76.org/o/district/browse/153896
Here’s a link to the September 23rd District Health Letter from your District Nurses: https://5il.co/lcip

**ISBE Required Physicals and Immunizations:**
This is a friendly reminder that the state still requires all school districts to have the required immunizations completed and on file in the school’s main office by **October 15th.**

**COVID-19 RESOURCES: IDPH & VCDPH**

- IDPH Updated Exclusion Decision Tree for Schools - Click on this link: https://5il.co/kxlw
- HP Updated FAQ for Schools - Click on this link: https://5il.co/ksvm
- Testing Site Information - Click on this link: https://5il.co/kqw5
- Food Pantry Information - Click on this link: https://5il.co/gax3
- Relief Fund - If you have lost wages or employment due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, you could receive assistance for housing and food. Call to see if you qualify: United Way (217) 442-3512, Love INC (217) 442-5683, Committee for Unmet Needs (217) 431-2280.

**SPOTLIGHT: SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!**

- John Odle - 9/2
- Jeff Mandrell - 9/4
- Chris Clark - 9/7
- Dawn Lee - 9/9
- Carson Grove - 9/20
- Nicole Lapenas - 9/23
- Marcy Nicoson - 9/23
- Megan Shuman - 9/23
- Karen Hale - 9/26
- Kristi McGee - 9/26
- Jenifer Whittington - 9/27
- Anne Burton - 9/30

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - CURRENT JOB OPENINGS**

Click on the following link: https://www.oakwood76.org/current-job-openings-7
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