February 7th, 2020

- 1. Important Message for PARENTS from our District Nurse about Illnesses Click HERE
- 2. Cub Scout Pack 300 would like to thank everyone for their donations of shoes for our shoe drive. This year we collected 220 Pairs for shoes to help others in need. Thank you so very much!
- 3. Is your son or daughter grieving the death of a loved one? Parents and guardians: has your son or daughter experienced the death of a loved one recently? Are they struggling with feelings of grief? If so, please contact Amy McNabb, C.O Harrison School Psychologist, at 557-4314 or mcnabb a@ohlsd.org if you are interested in learning more about a group that will be offered for grieving children starting in February.
- 4. PTA Classroom Valentine's Day Parties are coming up on Friday, February 14th, 2020. Every volunteer (for classroom parties, library or lunchroom helpers, etc.) must complete a Background Verification Form **EVERY** school year to have on file in the office. You can access the form <u>here.</u>
- 5. The online Emergency Medical Authorization (EMA) form is available to access and update for the 2019-2020 school year. Click here to access the EMA system on the OHLSD parent portal. Please complete ASAP! Students may not attend field trips without a completed EMA form.
- 6. 2020 "Me & My Favorite Fella Dance" ~ Sat, April 18 @ OHHS, 7-9 pm. Back by popular demand for a 4th year, this special event is open to ALL families in the Oak Hills School District and family & friends. And NEW this year (we heard you), the dance is open to girls 3 & older!! You do not have to be a scout to attend. Girls, grab your Favorite Fella...Dad, Bonus Dad, Grandpa, Uncle or other father figure in your life, and get ready to share an unforgettably magic night together! See the attached flyer for more details. Buy your tickets @ https://2019-my-favorite-fella-dance. Questions: gswo43805@gmail.com or (513) 313.3060.
- 7. Click here for Information about OHHS Robotics Monthly Workshops for Students
- 8. Oak Hills Youth Athletics (OHYA) Sports Registrations
 Information on ALL sports, registration fees and registration links can be found by going
 to www.ohyouthathletics.org and choosing the sport. SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

TRACK

- Grades K 6th
- · Registration Fee: \$35
- Registration closes Feb. 15th (Grads 5/6) and April 1 (Grades K 4)

Follow the link for more information and to register for

Track! https://oakhillsathletics.sportngin.com/register/form/165803806

IMPORTANT DATES

PTA Valentine's Day Classroom Parties 1:30-2:30 pm on Friday, February 14^{th} , 2020. AM Kindergarten Parties will be from 10:30am-11:30am

School Closed on Monday, February 17th, 2020-Presidents Day Holiday

Wednesday, March 4th, 2020-LifeTouch Spring Picture Day

Reminder: A student may only be released during the school day to someone listed as Legal Guardian or an Emergency Contact on his/her online EMA. A photo ID is required to pick up a student and also to enter the school building for volunteering, meetings, using the restroom, etc.

Links:

The 2019-2020 OHLSD School Calendar is available at www.ohlsd.org.

Click here for a link to the OHLSD Parent Portal
Click Here for Volunteer Packet with Background Verification Form
Click Here for the February School Lunch Menu

IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE MESSAGE

Attendance Reminder-Parents need to contact the Attendance Secretary when a student is absent from school. If a child is going to be on vacation or out for a surgery then the parent must email Mrs. Blome @blome_d@ohlsd.org in advance and list the range of dates for the absence along with the reason for the absence. Extended absences for surgery will also require a doctor note to be sent in when the student returns to school. A parent can call the absence line (513) 922-1485 and press 1 to reach the absence line voice mail to leave a message about an upcoming absence for a surgery or vacation with the range of dates as well as the reason for the extended absence. Contacting a child's teacher via email does not excuse an absence-it needs to be communicated with the attendance office so that the attendance record can be updated. Doctor Notes are also required for any absences (including doctor or dentist appointments during the day) after 10 absent days. Please remember that when your child is home sick you must call the absence line 513-922-1485 – press 1 for the absence line (Not the Nurse) to report the reason for the absence for EACH day a child is absent unless the doctor gives you the range of dates that your child will need to be out and you list those dates in the message. If the nurse sends your child home sick, a parent must still call the absence line the next day to report WHY the child is absent. You can also email the attendance secretary Mrs. Debby Blome @ blome d@ohlsd.org to give the reason for a child's absence. After 10 absences it is **REQUIRED** to send in a Doctor's note for illness and appointments- NOT a Parent Note. After 10 days all absences will be UNEXCUSED without a doctor's note. If a parent calls the absence line and does not give the reason for an absence it will be UNEXCUSED. If you have any questions regarding a student's attendance record, please contact Mrs. Blome in the office.

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much but...

If your child misses	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's
1 day every 2 weeks	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 1/2 years
1 day per week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school
2 days per week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years
3 days per week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years

How about 10 minutes late a day? Surely that won't affect my child?

He/she is only missing just	That equals	Which is	And over 13 years of schooling that's
10 mins per day	50 mins per week	Nearly 1 ½ weeks per year	Nearly ½ year
20 mins per day	1 hr. 40 mins per week	Over 2 ½ weeks per year	Nearly 1 year
30 mins per day	Half a day per week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 1/2 years
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 weeks per year	Over 2 1/2 years

EVERY DAY COUNTS

If you want your child to be successful at school then, YES, attendance does matter!