



OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL

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IMPORTANT DATES

Homecoming Week September 16-21

Bonfire: Sept 18

Parade & Game: Sept 20

Dance: Sept 21

No School

Monday, September 23

IMPORTANT LINKS

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OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY,

This is an extremely busy month! I want to share these important documents with you:

- [Universal Accommodations/Testing Center/Library](#)

The document above contains important information about universal accommodations, our new testing and accommodations center, and library availability after school. Please note the specific dates when the library will be closed.

- [Homecoming Events](#)

You will find everything you need to know about our Okemos High School homecoming week above.

- [Parade Information](#)

We're excited to have you join us for the Homecoming parade! For details, please refer to the document above. To ensure everyone's safety, especially near the traffic circle, we ask that parade participants wait to throw candy until they are on Hulett Road. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us make the event enjoyable and safe for all kids.

We are making good progress on our bathroom remodel and the construction of our secure vestibule. I'll provide more specific updates when I have them. Thanks for your patience.

It's been a good couple of weeks! Reach out if you need anything,

- Dr. Kemsley

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COUNSELING INFORMATION

Check out the latest information from the Counseling Office in our [September Newsletter](#).

Cap & Gown Donation

Counselors are accepting cap & gown donations from the Class of 2021 to 2024 to be used by economically disadvantaged students. Please drop them off in the main office if you would like to donate them.

Class of 2025

Check out this [link for helpful information](#). You will be meeting with your counselor for your Senior Meeting this fall and we will answer questions you have about your post secondary plans.

National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

This test is open only to OHS students in the Class of 2026. More information is available here: [Digital PSAT/NMSQT October 17, 2024](#)

AP EXAM REGISTRATION, MAY 2025 CYCLE

Any student who is enrolled in an AP course through Okemos High School is expected to register for and complete the corresponding AP exam. Students may also register for AP exams for which they play to self-study, though we recommend students be realistic about such plans, as our experience has been that many students register with good intentions but end up canceling their exam and surrendering some or all of their exam fees. Students should register and pay their exam fees by October 11th to avoid late fees. Visit <https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/232850> to complete your exam registration. Questions may be directed to hedlun.walton@okemosk12.net.

IMPORTANT 24-25 NHS DATES

If you have an issue getting to our four 7:15 a.m. meetings (reduced schedule, late buses, dual enrollment, 7th-grade camp, etc.), there will be a "make-up" meeting the day before the scheduled meeting after school in the KIVA. You can attend this meeting instead. An excused absence from school means you are excused from the meeting. Please check Google Classroom for updates and announcements.

Please Mark your Calendars for this year's Mandatory NHS Events:

- 10/5/24 - Bottle Drive for Food Bank, 8am-1pm in the OHS Staff Lot & Community
- 12/4/24 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (OR 12/3 at 2:45pm in the KIVA)
- 2/4/25 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (OR 2/3 at 2:45pm in the KIVA)
- 4/9/25 - Blood Drive, 8am-1:30pm, Wrestling Room
- 5/6/25 - Induction, 6:30pm, Auditorium
- 5/28/25 - Chapter Meeting, 7:15am in the Auditorium (OR 5/27 at 2:45pm in the KIVA)

SENIOR PICTURES

Are you wondering how to submit your child's senior picture for the yearbook? Please [click here](#) to access all the necessary information (sizing requirements, how to submit, etc.).

OKEMOS HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE DEPT FALL PLAY



FALL PLAY | Cast Auditions & Crew Applications September 16 & 17 from 4:00-5:30

Harvey, a Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy by Mary Chase, is the story of a perfect gentleman, Elwood P. Dowd, and his best friend, Harvey — a six-foot tall, invisible rabbit. When Elwood begins introducing Harvey around town, his embarrassed sister, Veta Louise, and her daughter, Myrtle Mae, decide to commit Elwood to a sanitarium. A mistake is made, however, and Veta is committed rather than Elwood! What ensues is a comedy of errors resulting in mistaken identities, misdiagnoses, and a search for the elusive rabbit that reminds us to embrace the quirks that make us special.

Students interested in being in the cast or crew can click on this [HARVEY LINK](#). There you can find out more information about auditions and joining the crew. You can also scan the QR code below. Please get in touch with Mr. DeKatch (chad.dekatch@okemosk12.net) if you have any questions.





Registration is now open for the AMC 10 and AMC 12 Math Competitions!

What are the AMC 10 and AMC 12?

The AMC 10 and AMC 12 are both 25-question, 75-minute, multiple-choice examinations in high school mathematics designed to promote the development and enhancement of problem-solving skills.

What material is covered on the AMC 10 and AMC 12?

The **AMC 10** covers mathematics normally associated with grades 9 and 10. The **AMC 10** assumes knowledge of elementary algebra and basic geometry knowledge, including the Pythagorean Theorem, area and volume formulas, elementary number theory, and elementary probability. What are excluded are trigonometry, advanced algebra, and advanced geometry. The **AMC 12** covers the entire high school mathematics curriculum, including the above, as well as trigonometry, advanced algebra, and advanced geometry, but excludes calculus.

The **AMC 10** and **AMC 12** are the first in a series of competitions that eventually lead all the way to the International Mathematical Olympiad.

Who is eligible for the AMC 10 and AMC 12 math competition?

AMC 10-(OHS)

Students enrolled in Okemos Schools in 9th-10th grade may participate in the AMC 10. To be eligible to participate in the AMC 10, students must be below and under 17.5 years of age on the day of the competition.

AMC 12-(OHS)

Students enrolled in Okemos Schools in 9th- 12th grade may participate in the AMC 12. To be eligible, students must be below and under 19.5 years of age on the day of the competition.

The competition will be held on November 6th, 2024. See your math teacher or Mrs. Heethuis with any additional questions. The cost to participate is \$6 and registration can be found at <https://okemosk12.revtrak.net>