

Odem Junior High Newsletter

1st Six Weeks



September 30, 2024

Welcome Back

Odem Junior High has started off with a bang. The first six weeks has come to an end. We have increased our enrollment to 208 students. We have kept our attendance above 94% this six weeks. Attendance is very important to your student's learning. Help us by making sure they are here each day. Through our 2024 Bond project, our Math and Science classes have new chrome books. These new resources will help our students learn and grow. Academic growth is our concentration this year.



New Staff

We have some new faces around campus this year. In eighth grade, we have Jeanette Galvan as our new 8th grade ELAR teacher. Jordan Martinez is our new 7th grade science teacher/coach. Lisa Whatley is our new 6th grade math teacher. We also have a new secondary special education teacher, Roy Camacho, and a new secondary nurse, Aricela Tortorello. Another familiar face on our campus is paraprofessional, Nathan Wuenschel.



Athletics

Volleyball has started with A and B teams for seventh and eighth grade. The girls have been working hard and winning some close games.

Football has started with two full teams on seventh and eighth grade. Teams have been improving each week.

Cross Country has a group of seventh and eighth graders getting ready to compete in district on October 10th. Come out and support our Odem Owlets.



Extra Curricular Activities

Students are able to join OJH Student Council. Sign ups took place the first three weeks of school. Students are in charge of OJH home volleyball games. Student council gives students opportunity to show leadership, service, and school spirit.



Events

OJH will hold its annual Career Day on November 21, 2024. If you would like to participate and share your career, please contact our front office at 361-368-8121 ext 235 or email Mrs. Ruiz at ruizb@oeisd.org.



Wear Pink on Tuesday for Breast Cancer Awareness.





UIL Academics

UIL practice and team formation has begun. This year we will have the In house events on November 4-7. These events are the art and writing contests. The Academic events will be held on Friday, December 6 beginning at 1:00 in Mathis. The speaking events and spelling will be on Saturday, December 7 in Mathis as well.

Wear Orange on Wednesdays
for Kindness



Upcoming Dates

9/30 OJH VB Vs Taft

10/02 District XC meet @ West Guth

10/3 OJH FB Vs Taft

10/05/ Odem "B" Tournament

10/7 OJH VB @ Mathis

10/09 Fall Pictures

10/10 OJH FB @ GW

10/14 OJH VB Vs West Oso

10/17 OJH FB @ Bishop

10/18 Peace Poster Contest Ends

10/21 OJH VB @ AP

10/24 OJH FB Vs Fal, SGA

10/25 Progress Report Distributed

10/28 OJH VB Vs GW

10/29 Peace Poster Contest Winner

Announced @ 5:30

11/4-7 Inhouse UIL events

11/19-20 Benchmark Tests

11/21 Career Day

Spirit Dress Up Days

10/3 Western Day

10/10 Jersey Day

10/17 Nerd Day

10/24 Pink Out Day

11/7 Twin Day

Red Ribbon Week

10/23 Wear Red

10/24 Favorite Movie Character

10/25 Teacher/ Student Swap