



News & Notes

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Hello Oak Grove Families!

I can hardly believe it's almost the end of July, but here we are! We in the OGMS office have been busy preparing for the start of the school year, which is Tuesday, September 6th (that's only 5 short weeks from now!).

In order to get the year off to a fantastic start, we'll require some forms to be filled out during the month of August. In the past, you've filled these forms out on paper, but this year, we're asking you to fill them out virtually via SchoolCues. This will save us a lot of time administratively, and it will save you time in the coming years because you won't need to fill out more forms - you'll just update information as necessary.

These forms will come to you in groups of emails, and you can work on them when you have time and return to them later if you'd like. When you log into your SchoolCues account, all Oak Grove to-do items and communications will appear on your home screen (no more scrolling through old emails to find important information!).

Here's what to expect in your inbox next week:

August 1:

You'll receive one single email notification that our Student Information System (SIS) is ready for you to populate online! You will click a link that will direct you to the SchoolCues parent portal so that you can fill out your child's basic information, identify emergency contacts, authorize photo permissions and over-the-counter medicine administration, and upload your child's photo, physical examination form, and updated immunization record. You'll also digitally sign that you commit to reading our 2022-2023 Parent Handbook before school starts in September.

August 2:

You'll receive a few separate emails directing you to the following items online:

1. Blanket Field Trip Form - a quick form that just requires your digital signature
2. Parent Help List - a sign-up for you to indicate how you might like to help at OGMS this school year
3. Immunization Requirements Document - not a form, just an informative document from the state of Connecticut to help you determine which immunizations are required for your child, based on their age
4. Printable 2022-23 OGMS Calendars (one is for color printing; the other is for grayscale printing)
5. Your August Invoice (applicable only for families whose payment plans include August payments)

August 8:

You'll receive one email that will contain the following information (no forms to fill out):

1. A health office update from Nurse Jo Ann, including general health policies, our masking guidelines for the upcoming school year, immunization requirements, and our process for reporting absences and late sign-in and early sign-out from school.
2. Back-to-School Orientation details and dates for your child's classroom

Mid-August we'll reach out again with more information, including school hours and pick-up/drop-off instructions, before/after care contracts, and after school enrichment details and sign-up, the finalized parent handbook, biographical questions from your child's teacher, and the events calendar for the upcoming school year.

You'll also automatically receive reminders from SchoolCues until you complete the required forms online. You can adjust your notification preferences in your SchoolCues account by clicking on the "Manage Profile" button on the top right of the portal (once you've logged in). I recommend downloading the SchoolCues app via the [Apple App Store](#) or [GooglePlay](#) - it will be a great way to have all OGMS information right at your fingertips throughout the entire school year!

If you still need to activate your SchoolCues account, you can follow the instructions attached to this email.

We are so excited to see you in September! Please don't hesitate to reach out at any time if you have any questions, or if we can help you through the (re)enrollment process this summer.

Cheers to summer not quite yet being over,

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