

September 2018

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**OES**  
to have  
kind hearts  
brave spirits  
& fierce minds

GASCONADE COUNTY R-II SCHOOL DISTRICT

# OES NEWS

## #BestOES

Hello OES Families,

I wanted to take this time to introduce myself. I grew up on a farm in northern Montgomery County and I attended Wellsville-Middletown R-1. After high school, I graduated from Central Methodist University where I had the opportunity to play basketball. I completed graduate work at William Woods University and Missouri Baptist University. In my seventeen years of education I have taught special education for three years, computers and technology for eight years, and I have been an elementary principal for six years.

We have many veteran staff members returning this year with several new staff members as well, and we are off to an amazing start this school year.

New staff members, besides

myself are:

Heather Kuhlo—Kindergarten  
Cassidy Smith—1st grade  
Michelle Schauf—1st grade  
Kayla Lowder—2nd grade  
Jaysie Stigge—2nd grade  
Danielle O'Dell—3rd grade  
Crystal Ely—4th grade  
Jenny McClurg—personal aide  
Stephanie Gray—personal aide  
Amanda Dozier—RTI/Title I aide  
Katelynn Schulte—Para/Aide  
Heather James—Early childhood  
Shelly Scheel—food service  
Terry Cress—custodian  
Emily Landwehr—custodian

At OES we have several great things going on for students to participate in and learn from. Please continue to view our Facebook page and our new web page at: [dutchmen.us](https://oes.dutchmen.us). (You can either click on schools then choose Owensville Elemen-

tary and click on News and Events at the top of the page or go straight to:

<https://oes.dutchmen.us>

And stay tuned for our new district app.

All staff are striving this year to make OES the best elementary that it can be! If you see any way to meet or improve your child's experiences at OES, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am proud to be a part of the Dutchmen community and I am excited for what the year has in store!

Yours in Education,  
Dr. Davidson



## "All Roads Lead Home"

This year our school district is celebrating 50 years of Dutchmen Football. The football homecoming theme is "All Roads Lead Home"

We will be kicking off the week with our traditional spirit week, Oct. 1st through Oct. 5th. Students are encouraged to dress up if they would like. And don't forget to go cheer on our team at the game, Friday, Oct. 5th at 7pm. Tail-greating starts at 5.

**Mon. Oct. 1st - 'Merica Monday** -- show your USA pride and wear your red, white, and blue

**Tue. Oct. 2nd - "Tacky Tourist Tuesday"** -- wear 'touristy' clothing: khakis, Hawaiian shirts, etc...or shirts from different states or places you have visited or went to for vacation

**Wed. Oct. 3rd - "Country Roads Take Me Home"** -- cowboy up and wear your boots, camouflage, plaid, etc...

**Thurs. Oct. 4th - "STOP the Wildcats"** -- 'Hex Day' -- wear red & black so we can put a "hex" on Union

**Fri. Oct. 5th - "All Roads Lead Home"** -- wear your orange and black and show your DUTCHMEN PRIDE!



## Show Your OES Pride

We are selling OES shirts. Order forms have been sent home with students. Orders and money are due back by Sept. 7th. There are three styles to choose from: standard black short sleeve tshirt, standard black long sleeve tshirt, and a black hooded sweatshirt. All proceeds go toward PBS student activities.



## SAY CHEESE

**Picture day is Wednesday, Sep. 26th.**

All students are photographed whether purchasing a package or not so we have a yearbook photo. Pictures are from 8:30-12:45pm. Any absent students will be taken on retake day. Look for order forms to be heading home soon!



## THANK YOU P.A.T.T

We would like to give a HUGE shout out to our Parents and Teachers Together (P.A.T.T.) group for purchasing the majority of school supplies for almost 600 students this year at OES!!! AMAZING! We are so grateful to have a group like this come together for our students and staff and help out in such an enormous way! Thank you for ALL that you do for OES!

Everyone is welcome to become a part of this fabulous group. The first meeting will be on September 10th at 5:15pm here at OES. All meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of each month. The mission is to join together parents and staff to help grow and support OES in the best interest of our students.



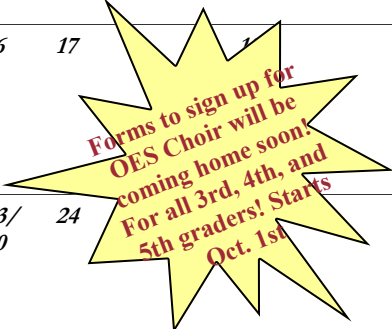
## Monthly Schedule of Events

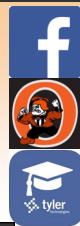
- 9/3 -- No School - Labor Day
- 9/10-- P.A.T.T./Title 1 Parent meeting 5:15pm
- 9/11, 12, 13-- Cheer Camp (grades K-5)
- 9/13 -- Progress 1 grade reports go home
- 9/26-- Picture Day (8:30am-12:45pm)
- 9/27-- \*\*Free/Reduced forms due\*\* if not turned in it rolls over to full student price
- 9/28-- No School - Teacher P.D. day

## Future Dates to Remember:

- 10/1-10/5 -- Homecoming Spirit Week
- 10/19--P.A.T.T. 3rd annual Trunk or Treat
- 10/23 -- 3rd grade concert @ 7pm
- 10/24 -- Parent Teacher Conferences (3:30-6:30pm)
- 10/25-- No School  
Parent Teacher Conferences (2pm-8pm)
- 10/26 -- No School
- 10/23-10/31-- Red Ribbon Week (more details to come)
- 11/3 -- Daddy/Daughter dance "Save the Date" (tickets on sale Oct. 15th)
- 11/19 through 11/30 -- Smile Mobile (more info to come)

# SEPTEMBER 2018

| Sun                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Mon                            | Tue                                                                                                              | Wed                                                                                                 | Thu | Fri                                | Sat                                                                                 |
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| <b>School Building Hours: 7:30am-3:30pm ~ Doors are not unlocked for students until 7:30am.</b><br><b>School Office Hours: 7:30am-4pm</b><br><b>Nurses Hours: 8am-3:30pm ~ Any transportation questions, call 437-2176.</b> |                                |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                     |     |                                    | 1                                                                                   |
| 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 3                              | 4                                                                                                                | 5                                                                                                   | 6   | 7                                  | 8                                                                                   |
| <b>NO SCHOOL</b><br>Labor Day                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                |                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                     |     |                                    |                                                                                     |
| 9                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 10                             | 11                                                                                                               | 12                                                                                                  | 13  | 14                                 | 15                                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | P.A.T.T.<br>MEETING @<br>5:15p | Cheer Camp: K through 5th grades 3:30-5pm Sept. 11, 12, 13<br>Performance at the home football game on the 14th. |                                                                                                     |     |                                    |  |
| 16                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 17                             | 18                                                                                                               | 19                                                                                                  | 20  | 21                                 | 22                                                                                  |
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| 23/<br>30                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 24                             |                                                                                                                  | 26                                                                                                  | 27  | 28                                 | 29                                                                                  |
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## STAY CONNECTED TO OES

Facebook.com/owensvilleelementary

Tyler SIS Student 360 app

\*\*\*Be sure to visit the all NEW WEBSITE\*\*\*  
 for OES: <http://oes.dutchmen.us>  
 for the District: [www.dutchmen.us](http://www.dutchmen.us)

## Label ~ Label ~ Label

**PLEASE** label your child's items that they bring to school -- backpacks, lunchboxes, jackets, coats, etc... All items that go unclaimed by the last day of school are donated. If you ever need to check, the lost and found is the rack located to the left as you enter the building.

## OES Concert Dates:

3rd grade: Oct. 23 5th grade: Nov. 15  
 4th grade: Dec. 11 2nd grade: Feb. 21  
 1st grade: Mar. 28 Kinder: May 2  
 (all concerts start at 7pm)

## \$\$ Lunch Money \$\$

Please stay on top of your student's lunch accounts to keep them from having a negative balance. You can check their account through the parent portal via the district website or with the Tyler SIS Student 360 app. If help is needed please fill out a free & reduced lunch form. All information is kept strictly confidential — neither staff nor other students know which of their peers is free or reduced. Some people are afraid to fill it out, but you should just think of it as a coupon to help save you some money on monthly bills. It's free to at least give it a try!



## SAVE and CLIP those BOXTOPS!!

Students can pick up sheets at school. There is also an app where you can earn double points! Students can turn Box Tops in to our new Box Top mailbox that will be in the gym each morning.

Parent pick-up is in the back of the building. Only pick students up from the office at the end of the day, if there is an emergency or an appointment — not for daily pick-ups



We have several bus routes that are completely full. If your child needs to ride a different bus than their usual, you **MUST** contact transportation.

## FRIDAY OCT 19TH

Join us for our annual 4th Trunk or Treat event sponsored by P.A.T.T.

Any individuals or businesses interested in having a "trunk" please contact Erin Sassmann at [esassmann@dutchmen.us](mailto:esassmann@dutchmen.us). It is no charge to sponsor a trunk but we do need to have a number for organizational purposes. Please plan to serve approximately 800 kids.

We will have a best trunk competition for our groups and businesses, as well as, best costume contests for the kids.

There will be food, games, prizes, and more. More detailed information will be available soon!!



## ATTENDANCE COUNTS

When a student is absent, **the school office must** be contacted before 10am on the day of the absence. A call to parents of absent students will be made so we can verify their absence if we do not receive a call.

Please do not send sick kids to school if they have a temperature higher than 100, or until they have been fever free for 24 hours without the use of medicine, if they are throwing up or have diarrhea, or if their eyes are pink and crusty. Please remember, if your student must take medicine at school please be sure you have filled out the permission form from the nurses and a parent must transport the medicine to and from school. Students are not allowed to transport medicine.

