

Oxford Middle School

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March 8, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am sure that many of you have heard from your children or the media about the Nationwide Student Walk-Out planned for March 14th to honor the victims of the Parkland, Florida school shooting. We at Oxford Middle School want to ensure that students are able to share their voice, their feelings, and learn from current events, as well as exercise their First Amendment rights; however, we would like that to be done in the best and safest way possible.

In an effort to allow students an opportunity to be heard, but also to do so in a manner conducive to the learning structure and safety of all involved, Oxford Middle School will be holding a period of remembrance in lieu of a walk-out on March 14th. Students who wish to participate will “walk-out” and join an assembly with peers and staff in the Auditorium at 10:00 AM on March 14, 2018. A student led presentation and remembrance activity will commence at that time. At the end of the 17-minute remembrance, representative of the 17 lost lives, school will reconvene as normal.

We encourage you to have a discussion with your child(ren) about whether or not your child(ren) should participate and the reasons why they would do so. As a parent you know best how to address this situation. Participation in this assembly is optional but is open to all who would like to join. Please do not hesitate to email me or a member of our Guidance Department with any questions or concerns.

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Thank you,



Amy Belhumeur, Principal
Oxford Middle School



FREE After-School Babysitting Course

Just for Girls!!!

Girls Inc. of Worcester is offering a free program to middle school girls at OMS. This 8 week program will take place at school on **Wednesdays from 2:25 – 3:25**. This program is open to girls in grades 5-7. Space is limited to the first 30 students who return completed forms.

April 4 – May 30, 2018

The course includes 8, one hour sessions: Red Cross Babysitter's Training Certificate (upon completion, Student must be 11 in order to receive a Certificate); Red Cross Babysitter's Training Manual; Infant Care; Emergency Response Training; Economic Literacy and Healthy Relationships.

All materials and snack will be provided

For more information please contact Girls Inc of Worcester 508-755-6455 or girlsincworchester.org

RETURN this COMPLETED FORM TO THE OMS OFFICE BY March 21, 2018

Student must be 11 years old by May 30th in order to participate and receive a Red Cross Certificate

Student Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Date of Birth: _____

I give permission for images in print and electronic form and videos taken of my child during the program to be used for public relations purposes in newsletters, brochures, annual reports, and for publicity on our website, radio, television and newspapers.

Parent Name (printed): _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Phone number to be reached at: _____

Emergency Contact Person: _____

Emergency Contact Numbers: _____

Known Medical Allergies/Health Concerns: _____

Student will:

Walk _____ Be picked up at 3:25 _____

Inspiring all girls to be strong, smart, and bold