

# Oxford Middle School

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October 13, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Oxford Middle School needs four (4) people (three parents and one community member) to serve on the *School Advisory Council* that was mandated by the Education Reform Act of 1993.

The council is a very important and integral part of our school. Decisions regarding the on-going improvements of our school must be made. In order to do that **WE NEED YOU**. The meetings will be held monthly from 2:30 – 3:30PM. Below you will find the names of parents who have volunteered to serve on our council this school year. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to serve on the council. Please indicate on the form below your three selections. Your help is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,



Amy Belhumeur  
Principal

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**Please return this form to the school by Thursday, October 20, 2017**

Please select **3 (three) choices:**

\_\_\_ Priscilla Curving

\_\_\_ Cindy Finney

\_\_\_ Shelley Lambert

\_\_\_ Karin McCarthy

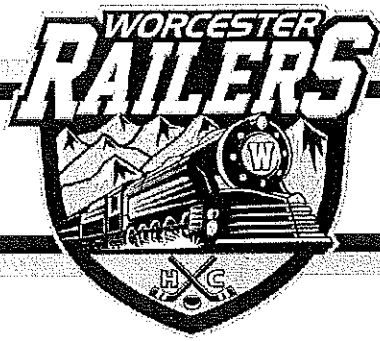
\_\_\_ Kerry Millette

\_\_\_ Kelly Morse

\_\_\_ Jennifer Nitti

\_\_\_ Melissa Nowak

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# BRING YOUR GROUP!

Join OMS Chamber Choir on November  
3rd!

First School to Sing National Anthem at  
a Worcester Railers Game!

Game Time @7pm DCU Center

**TICKETS ONLY \$17 With a Hat or \$14 Without!**

To purchase tickets, fill out and return order form to the Main Office by 10/20/17:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
# of Tickets at \$17 = \_\_\_\_ #Youth Hats \_\_\_\_ #Adult Hats \_\_\_\_ #of Tickets at \$14 \_\_\_\_ Total Tickets \_\_\_\_  
Total Payment \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT TYPES**

Cash or Check - Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDERS DUE BY: 10/20/17**

**MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FOMS**

**For questions please email: [oxfordforms@gmail.com](mailto:oxfordforms@gmail.com)**

**RailersHC.com**

**508-365-1750**

# WANTED: YOU

**At Our Book Fair Event**

October 23-27, 2017

During School Hours

OMS Library

Please join us for a Family Fun Night on Tuesday, 10/24/17 from 6-8 pm. Don't miss the fun!

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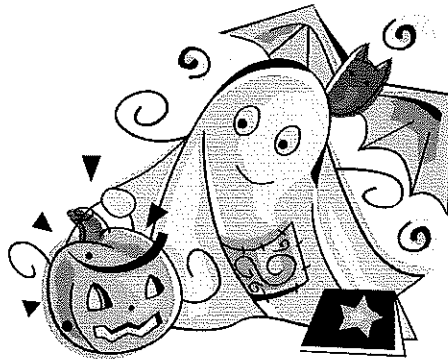
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# Halloween Party

Sponsored by the OMS Student Council



Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>  
7-9:30pm  
Grades 5, 6 & 7!

Cost \$5

DJ Max

Come dressed in your best costume for a chance to win  
Prizes for the best costumes

\*\*refreshments will be sold\*\*

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October 12, 2017

Parents and Guardians of OMS Students,

I am writing to inform you that we've implemented a zero-tolerance policy at OMS regarding students who put their hands on each other. Students who violate this zero tolerance policy will receive progressive discipline as follows:

- First Offense: (after school) Office Detention;
- Second Offense: In School Suspension;
- Third Offense: 1 day out-of-school Suspension;
- Forth + Offenses: will be handled on a student-to-student basis.

This year, in particular, we're noticing that students are pushing, poking, hitting and, in general, invading each other's personal space far too frequently. This type of behavior leads to larger problems (like fights) and is not appropriate in a safe school setting.

Yesterday and today, the Assistant Principal, the teachers, our guidance staff and I all met with each grade of students to discuss our behavior expectations for them, with a special emphasis on respecting everyone's personal space - and we outlined the new policy.

I am certain that the families of our OMS children share my belief in the importance of a safe environment and hope that you'll support our efforts to enforce these standards fairly and consistently.

Thank you in advance for your support, and below we have outlined what our expectations are for all students at OMS.

Thank you,



Amy Belhumeur

Principal

Oxford Middle School

## **Parent Notification of OMS Behavior Expectations**

Parents are a critical part of student achievement. With your support and encouragement, we will be able to increase the number of students demonstrating positive behavior. It will be important that we are as cooperative as possible in the communication of behavior issues to ensure that a positive relationship is formed in providing the best education for your child.

The following behavioral expectations have been established school-wide as a guideline for providing your child with the positive and safe environment for learning while at OMS:

### **Morning Entry into the Building**

Students should arrive no earlier than 7:15am prepared to enter the building appropriately. Students will enter the building in an orderly fashion and have designated areas to sit until the bell rings for homeroom. While waiting, we expect students to be polite and kind, and follow school rules appropriately. The school day begins at 7:45 A.M. Students will be considered tardy if they are not in the building by 7:50 A.M. A parent MUST come in with any student arriving after 7:50. An exception will be made for late buses.

### **Bus Dismissal and Behavior Expectations**

Students will be dismissed to go to their bus or to walk at approximately 2:17 P.M. A staff member will be stationed in the stairwell to monitor hall behavior as well as outside monitoring transitions. On the bus, students will sit in their seats quietly and follow directions given by the bus driver. All school rules apply on the bus in terms of behavior, the bus is also a no touching zone. The staff assigned to greet buses will communicate with bus drivers on a daily basis regarding student behavior.

### **Hallway Expectations**

Students should walk quietly in the halls at all times staying to the right. No running, jumping or fooling around is permissible in the halls. Students will carry a pass (when not traveling as a class) which states the time, origination, and destination of the trip. Students will take the most direct route to their destination with no detours. The hallway is a no touching zone. This includes jumping up and trying to hit signs or other aspects of the building.

### **Lunch Room Behavior Expectations**

Students will enter and exit the lunchroom in an orderly manner. They will follow directions given by both kitchen and supervising staff. Students will sit in their seats and eat their own lunch. They should continue to keep their hands to themselves. The only time students should be up walking around is to throw away their trash or to use one of the vending machines. They will remain in their seats until dismissed by the supervising staff.

### **Break Expectations**

If it is a day where we can allow students outside for a "break" it is important that they understand this is not recess. There is no running, jumping, or physical contact allowed outside for their safety and the safety of the other students. It is a break to get fresh air and to spend time with their friends.

### **Communication between Students and Staff Expectations**

Students will respond courteously and promptly to adult directions. They will follow the rules of the school, teacher, specialists, support staff, and parents respectfully. Students will refrain from using disruptive or threatening language, either written or spoken, gestures, or symbols that are obscene, lewd, profane, vulgar, etc. Students should be kind and respectful to each other as well as to staff and parents.

### **Student Respect of Property Expectations**

Students will respect the property of others. Stealing property belonging to OMS or to other individuals will not be tolerated. In addition, malicious and intentional damage to OMS property, school buses or the property of others will not be tolerated.

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