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# ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The mission of the Orlando Science Schools (OSS) is to use proven and innovative instructional methods and exemplary reform-based curricula in a stimulating environment with the result of providing its students a well-rounded middle school and high school education in all subject areas.

OSS will provide rigorous college preparatory programs with a special emphasis in mathematics, science, technology, and language arts.

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## Principal's Corner

Dear Students and Parents,

I hope you all had great week here at OSS and welcome to the month of October! This week our newsletter is packed full of exciting information!

Raytheon awarded five of our students a \$1,000 scholarship, please see page seven for this amazing accomplishment. On page eight and page eleven you will find more information for Florida Virtual School and Transcript Request. Rollins College, UF and Florida Poly also stopped to speak to our high school students regarding the admissions process, please see page ten for more information.

I would also like to announce that Mrs. Branly's Model UN is our Club of the Week! Please see page nine for more information about this awesome club.

Don't forget that Box Tops are due October 30<sup>th</sup> 2015. The winning homeroom will earn a dress down day! At this time Ms. Zeratsky's class is in the lead. !

Beginning with yesterday an automated progress report for your student(s) will be sent to the email you have on file with OSS Connect. If you did not receive this automated report please email Mr. Han at [CHan@orlandoscience.org](mailto:CHan@orlandoscience.org).

We would also like to welcome everyone to our Hispanic Heritage Night on October 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 5pm. Please see page four for more information.

I would like to thank all of you for your hard work and commitment to OSS, we could do not do this without you!

Sincerely,  
*Abdulaziz Yalcin*  
Principal  
Orlando Science Schools  
Middle/High

*"Never let the odds keep you from doing what you know in your heart you were meant to do" – H. Jackson Brown*

# OSS UPCOMING EVENTS

**Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2015:** Science Olympiad Meeting  
**Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> 2015:** Parent Teacher Conference Night  
**Thursday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2015:** Parent Teacher Conference Night

<b>2015-2016 Report Card Dates for Parents</b>	
<b>1st Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday, September 23, 2015
<b>1st Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, October 22, 2015
<b>2nd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Friday, November 20, 2015
<b>2nd Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, January 14, 2016
<b>3rd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday, February 17, 2016
<b>3rd Quarter Report Card</b>	Thursday, March 17, 2016
<b>4th Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	Wednesday, May 4, 2016
<b>4th Quarter Report Card</b>	Wednesday, June 8, 2016

<b>2015-2016 Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) Days</b>		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	3:30PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, October 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	4:00PM - 6:30PM
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, December 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, December 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	4:30PM - 6:30PM
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2016	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, March 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2016	4:30PM - 6:30PM
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, May 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	4:00PM - 6:00PM
	Thursday, May 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	4:30PM - 6:30PM

## 2015-16 Orlando Science Schools Assessment Calendar

### Florida Standards Assessments (FSA)

#### English Language Arts and Mathematics - Required by State

Dates	Assessment	Grade Level
February 29 - March 11, 2016	FSA English Language Arts - Writing Component	6 -10
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FSA English Language Arts - Reading	6 -10
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FSA Mathematics	6 - 8

#### End-of-Course Assessments - Required by State

Dates	Course
April 18 - May 13, 2016	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2

### Next Generation Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS) Assessments

#### End-of-Course Assessments - Required by State

Dates	Course
April 18 - May 20 2016	Biology 1, Civics, US History-High School

#### Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test FCAT 2.0 - Required by State

Dates	Assessment	Grade Level
April 11 - May 6, 2016	FCAT 2.0 Science	8

#### AP College Board Exam Dates

Dates	Course
May 2, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	Chemistry (Morning); Psychology (Afternoon)
May 3, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	Computer Science A (Morning); and Physics 1: Algebra - Based (Afternoon)
May 4, 2016 - Morning	English Literature and Composition
May 5, 2016 - Morning	Calculus AB (Morning); and Calculus BC (Morning)
May 6, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	United States History (Morning); European History (Afternoon)
May 9, 2016 - Morning	Biology
May 10, 2016 - Morning	United States Government and Politics
May 11, 2016 - Morning	English Language and Composition
May 12, 2016 - Morning/Afternoon	World History (Morning); Statistics (Afternoon)

#### Common Final Exams - Required by Orange County Public Schools

Common Final Exams will be given in courses that do not have a state or other designated end-of-course exam.

Dates	Course
January 6 - 12, 2016	Semester 1 Exams (Courses that are only one semester)
May 31 - June 6, 2016	Secondary End of Year Exams

PSAT	Grade	Status	Test Date	Fee	Deadline to Register
PSAT 8/9	8th-9th	Optional	Oct - 28	\$10	9/1/2015
PSAT 10	10th	Optional	Feb - 24	\$15	12/1/2015
PSAT/NMSQT	10th-11th	Required	Oct - 14	\$0	N/A

Updated - September 30, 2015



# Hispanic Heritage Night at Orlando Science School

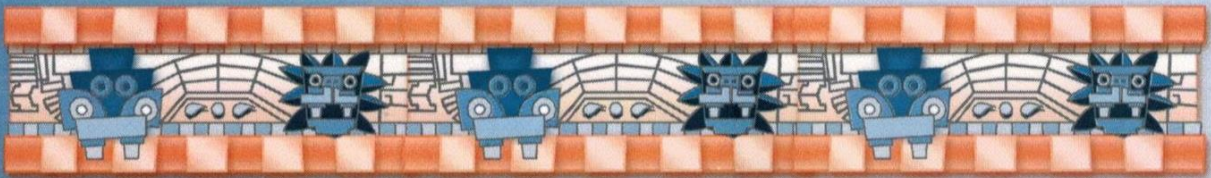


Join us! Food from  
Pollo Tropical,  
Entertainment, Student  
Presentations and Fun!

October 15, 2015

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Price: Dinner \$7



*This week in*

# HISTORY



<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT(S)</b>
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup> 2008</b>	SpaceX launches the first private spacecraft, <i>Falcon 1</i> .
<b>September 29<sup>th</sup> 1932</b>	A five-day work week is established for General Motors(GM) workers.
<b>September 30<sup>th</sup> 1927</b>	Babe Ruth hits his 60 <sup>th</sup> homerun of the season off Tom Zachary in Yankee Stadium, New York City.
<b>October 1<sup>st</sup> 1957</b>	"In God We Trust" appears on US paper currency. This moto had appeared on coins at various times since 1864.
<b>October 2<sup>nd</sup> 1959</b>	The groundbreaking TV Series <i>The Twilight Zone</i> , hosted by Rod Sterling, premiers on CBS

If you would like to know more information regarding each of these events, please visit:

<http://www.historynet.com/>

## Orange County Public Schools: 2015-2016 School Calendar

DAY	DATE(S)	EVENT
Monday	September 7 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Labor Day holiday (Schools and District Offices are closed)
Thursday	October 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2015	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Marking Period
Friday	October 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2015	Student Holiday/Teacher Professional Day/ Teacher Non-Work Day
Monday	October 26 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Student Holiday/Teacher Workday
Tuesday	October 27 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Begin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Marking Period
Monday- Friday	November 23 <sup>rd</sup> -27 <sup>th</sup> 2015	Thanksgiving break: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students are out all week</li> <li>• District Offices are open Nov. 23-25<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Teacher Non-Workdays: Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup></li> <li>• Teacher Holiday: Nov 26<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>
Two Weeks	December 21, 2015- January 1 <sup>st</sup> 2016	Winter Break (Schools are closed. District offices are closed)
Monday	January 4 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Students Return to School
Thursday	January 14 <sup>th</sup> 2016	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Marking Period
Friday	January 15 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Monday	January 18 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday (Schools and District offices are closed)
Tuesday	January 19 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Begin 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semested/3 <sup>rd</sup> Marking Period
Monday	February 15 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Presidents Day holiday (schools and district offices are closed)
Thursday	March 17 <sup>th</sup> 2016	End of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Marking Period
Friday	March 18 <sup>th</sup> 2016	Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday
Monday -Friday	March 21 <sup>st</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup>	Spring Break (Schools are closed. District offices are closed)
Monday	March 28 <sup>th</sup>	Begin 4 <sup>th</sup> Marking Period
Monday	May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day holiday ( Schools and District offices are closed)
Wednesday	June 8 <sup>th</sup> 2016	End of 4 <sup>th</sup> Marking Period/ Last day of school for students
Thursday-Friday	June 9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup>	Post Planning for Teachers



# Raytheon Awards

## Raytheon awards five Orlando, FL middle school students a \$1,000 scholarship

*Orlando Science School receives matching grant for education initiatives; Raytheon award \$300,000 in math-based scholarships and grants to students and schools nationwide.*

Orlando, FL (September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2015)- Raytheon Company (NYSE:RTN) awarded five middle school students from Orlando, FL a \$1,000 scholarship to be used for a math, science or technology camp or program or saved for the first year of college. Orlando Science School received a \$5,000 matching grant from the company in support of math education initiatives. Raytheon awarded \$300,000 in scholarships and grants to middle school students and their schools as part of its MathMovesU® program, an initiative designed to engage middle school students in math and science.

The 150 scholarship recipients were selected from a pool of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade student applicants who created a multimedia presentation that illustrates the importance of math in the world around them. Student submissions were evaluated on creativity, originality, time commitment and the use of math equations to demonstrate an enthusiasm for the subject.

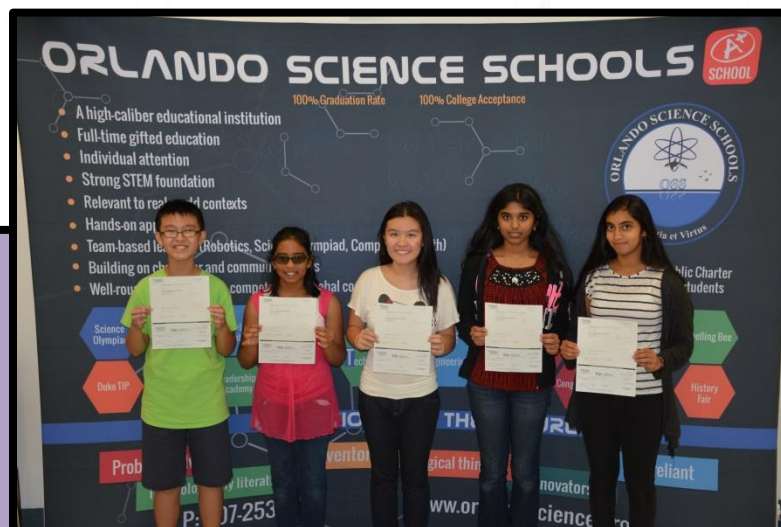
This year's Orlando Science School recipients are:

- Sanjana Konda from Orlando, FL
- Minh Le from Winter Garden, FL
- Tran Le from Winter Garden, FL
- Esha Ranade from Orlando, FL
- Meghana Talluri from Winter Garden, FL

The MathMovesU® Middle School Scholarships are just one way Raytheon highlights the importance of math to the 21<sup>st</sup> century workforce. Raytheon engages with the MathMovesU® community of educators, parents, non-profit partners, policy-makers and students to explore the different efforts under way to improve STEM education and inspire the next generation of innovators. Join the conversation with MathMovesU® on Twitter or on Facebook.

About Raytheon:

Raytheon Company, with 2014 sales of \$23 billion and 61,000 employees worldwide, is a technology and innovation leader specializing in defense, civil government and cybersecurity markets throughout the world. With a history of innovation spanning 93 years, Raytheon provides a state-of-the-art electronics, mission systems integration and other capabilities in the areas of sensing; effects; and command, control, communications and intelligence systems, as well as cybersecurity and a broad range of mission support services. Raytheon is headquartered in Waltham, Mass. For more about Raytheon, visit us at [www.raytheon.com](http://www.raytheon.com) and follow us on Twitter @Raytheon.



# Florida Virtual School



ROSS COLLEGE CENTER

## WHAT IS FLVS and HOW TO REGISTER?

1. Set up a meeting with Mr. I before you select your FLVS Courses
2. Go to [www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net)
3. Click on SIGN UP
4. Select FLVS PART TIME  
Grades 6-12
5. Select State of Florida
6. Select Orange County
7. Select Public/Charter  
School Student
8. Choose the Course you  
want to take!
9. Select the Segment and  
Preferred Start Date!
10. Select Florida Virtual School
11. Answer the 3 questions!
12. After you see your desired  
Course listed click on  
Create My Account
13. After you complete your registration, select Abdulaziz Yalcin for guidance  
approval.



### What is FLVS?

We're glad you asked! Florida Virtual School is a public school but, as you can probably tell, we're not just any public school. We're online. This means no matter where you live you can access more than 150 [courses](#), from Geometry to AP Art History and everything in between. What's more, our courses are just as real as the dedicated, [certified teachers](#) who teach them. FLVS is where you go to learn on your time and on your schedule, no matter what kind of student you are. [Public](#), [private](#) and [homeschooled](#) students, from kindergarten-12th grade, can take our virtual courses whether they live in Florida or not.

Just getting started with online learning? We're here to help! For more information about FLVS and the virtual learning programs available to you, [click here](#) to learn more, or just give us a call.

LEARN MORE

SIGN UP NOW

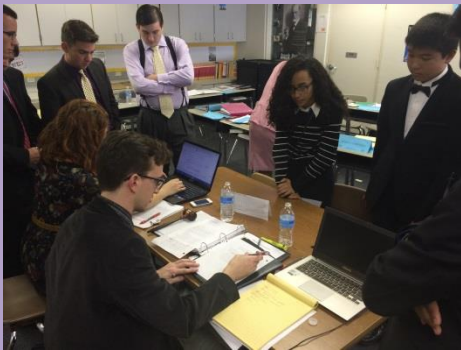
Upon completion of your registration, notify Mr. I via email at

[hisikli@orlandoscience.org](mailto:hisikli@orlandoscience.org)



# Club of the Week : MODEL UN

Model United Nations is an educational simulation and/or academic competition in which students learn about diplomacy, international relations, and the United Nations. Students represent different countries and work together to solve problems the world is facing today. The UN's goal is to promote peace in the world, and support humanitarian efforts around the globe. Our students have dealt with issues ranging from Somalian pirates, to the refugee crisis to sustainable energy.



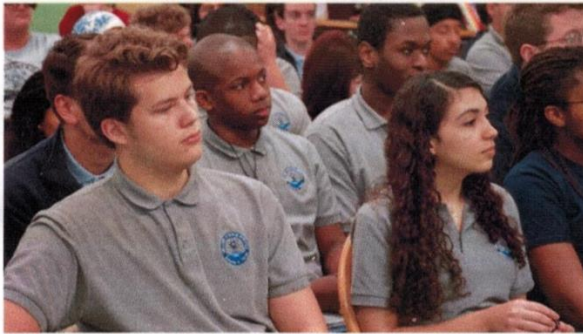
# Colleges Visit OSS !

## University of Florida, Florida Polytechnic University and Rollins College Visited OSS

It was very busy at OSS for the last 2 weeks. We hosted the admission counselors from 3 different colleges. One of which is UF, the top college in the State of Florida and in the Nation. FL Poly is the newest state university in Florida with a focus on technology and engineering. Also, they claim themselves as the MIT of the future and we strongly believe in them. Finally, Rollins College, a historic private college located in the heart of Orlando with many successful majors in business.

As OSS, we organize field trips and visits to all 3 universities every year in addition to many other universities. We want to thank again to all of the representatives who shared very valuable information with many of our high school students.

If you like to get in touch with any the above mentioned universities and their representatives, please send an email to Mr. I to get the contact information.



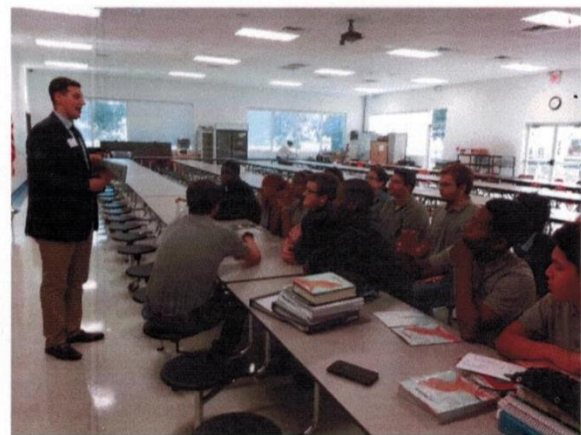
A picture from FL POLY presentation



While Brooke Pankau from Rollins College presenting.



UF Admissions Counselor Albert Perera presenting to all 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders (Left). Then, we held a private session after general presentation for seniors (Right).





# Transcript Request



OSS COLLEGE CENTER



## STUDENT INSTRUCTIONS HOW TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS

### Family Connection by Naviance

This is a basic instruction guide for how to request transcripts for college/scholarships/NCAA through Family Connection. Please note that this is the **ONLY** way that you can request transcripts for this school year. If you have any questions please contact the OSS College Center at room 116 **IMMEDIATELY!** Thanks!

#### Requesting Transcripts for College Applications

1. Login to Family Connection ([www.smhs.org/fc](http://www.smhs.org/fc))
2. Go to the "colleges" tab.
3. Click on "colleges I'm applying to" underneath "my colleges" heading. Then click on "add colleges to this list."
4. Select the school from the "lookup" list.
5. Select the type – Regular Decision, Early Action, Early Decision, Rolling
  - You must select the **CORRECT** type. If you are unsure, please read your application documents and/or ask your counselor!
6. If you are requesting a transcript, make sure you check the "request" box under the "Transcript" heading then select "Add Colleges."
7. Click "Add Colleges."
8. Come in to OSS College Center the next school day to confirm your requests with Mr. I

#### Requesting Transcripts for Scholarships, Athletics, NCAA or For Your Review

1. Go to the "colleges" tab.
2. Go to "resources" on the left side and select "transcripts".
3. Select "Request transcripts for scholarships or athletics."
4. Fill in information as needed (Recipient, Address, Due Date, etc.).
5. Click "Add Transcript Requests."
6. Come in to Counseling the next school day to confirm your requests with Mr. I



# Interested in Volunteering ?



2427 Lynx Lane Orlando FL 32804 Tel: 407.253.7304 Fax: 407.253.7305 <http://www.orlandoscience.org>

Dear Volunteer,

On behalf of Orlando Science School, I would like to thank you for inquiring about volunteering at the Orlando Science School.

Our mission is to lead our students to success with the support and involvement of families and the community. Volunteers play a big role in supporting students, teachers, and schools. We ask that you please register by creating or updating your ADDitions volunteer profile.

We are excited to invite you to the **new, interactive Volunteer Management System**, which allows volunteers to sign up or renew, and select their preferred volunteer service opportunity.

Here are the steps:

1. Get your New User ID log-in: (Note: Do not log-in or search for opportunities until you have retrieved your new user ID from the link below). If you were a previous volunteer, your account should have been migrated to the new system:  
<https://www.ocps.net/es/cr/resources/Pages/ADDitions.aspx>
2. "Click Here" to proceed to the New Interactive Volunteer Management System
  - Choose the appropriate link for your new user ID log-in account information. You can change your user ID and password at any time.

Previously Registered ADDitions  
School Volunteer  
(A registered volunteer prior to June 2015)  
[Click Here](#)

New Volunteer  
or New Partner in Education  
(First-time applicant)  
[Click Here](#)

3. Take the User ID and password you received from the above link and then use it to login in our new system. Please edit your profile and update any information that's changed for this school year.
4. Search for Opportunities
  - After your profile is updated, from your dashboard, click the link that says "Search Opportunities" and then enter the name of the school for which you'd like to volunteer. **The first opportunity to sign up for at each school will be titled "Become an ADDitions Volunteer."**
5. Before you go to a school to volunteer, please check your dashboard to make sure your status is updated and you have been placed in an opportunity.

If you have any questions about the online registration process please email Ms. Santos, the ADDitions Coordinator at [Julie.Santos@OrlandoScience.Org](mailto:Julie.Santos@OrlandoScience.Org), or [OCPSVolunteerhelp@ocps.net](mailto:OCPSVolunteerhelp@ocps.net) or call Community Resources at (407) 317-3323.

# EXTRA, EXTRA

## PIZZA DAY

Every Thursday throughout the year OSS will be offering students the option to purchase pizza.

They may purchase a slice for \$2.00 or make it a combo for \$5.00.

Orlando Science Schools and Seminole Science Charter School are moving forward to obtain accreditation as a charter school system by AdvancED. Additional information will follow in later issues.



Orlando Science Schools' Science Olympiad studies will begin Saturday meetings as of Saturday, October 3, 2015



### Deadline for Box Tops:

October 30<sup>th</sup>

### Winning Homeroom Class:

Will earn a dress down day!



## UPCOMING PVO MEETING

October 16<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 9am and 4pm



# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Have you changed your address, email or phone number?

If your address, email or phone number has changed it is important that you let us know ASAP. You may contact Ms. Palmer at [Palmer@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Palmer@orlandoscience.org) with these changes. Thank you!



## Running Late ?



DEAR PARENTS / GUARDIANS AND STUDENTS,  
SCHOOL STARTS AT 7:55 A.M FOR GRADES 6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> &  
8:00 A.M FOR GRADES 9<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup>

**Please be advised after 8:05 A.M.**

Parents or Guardians **MUST** sign in their students at the front desk, regardless of grade level.

Thank you for your cooperation.





It is time for OSS' Annual Trip to



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**FLORIDA  
STATE**

**Don't miss this opportunity!**

**When: Thursday, October 15, 2015**

**6:30 am** Leaving OSS

**8:30 am** Arrive at **UF Visitor Center** and self-guided tour

**10:00 am** Leaving from UF for FSU

**12:15 pm** Arrive at **FSU Visitor Center** and Lunch (Cheese Pizza)

**1:15 pm** FSU admissions information and guided tour

**2:30 pm** Leaving from FSU for OSS

**6:30 pm** Arrive at OSS and Families Pick-up

**Fee: \$30 (Lunch included)**

**The trip is open to Seniors and Juniors only. The seats are limited (50). First come, first serve!**

**Registration: Mr. I Room 116**

# BOOK COME TO OUR FAIR!

October 16-22

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8am-5pm: School Days Only

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OSS GYM

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**All Purchases Benefit Our School!**

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# LUNCH MENU

October 2015

Charter School Hot Lunch W/Pizza

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Breakfast Selections</b>	Assorted Cereals with Toast Applesauce cups  <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Strawberry Pop Tart Apple Juice  <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Apple Frudel Red Apples  <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Bagels with Cream Cheese Orange Juice  <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Banana Bread Raisins <i>Sliced peaches</i> <u>Choice of Milk</u>	<b>Breakfast Selections</b> 9-12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Tuesdays serve two- 1.76oz packs of pop tarts Daily - Offering 1 cup
	5 Breaded Chicken sandwich Shoestring Fries Cool rips Milk	6 Hard Tacos Charro Pinto Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	7 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Broccoli Side Kicks Milk	8 Hamburger/Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Chunks Sliced Apples Milk	9 All Beef Hotdog Mixed Vegetables Diced Peaches Milk	
	12 Tangerine Chicken with Jasmin Rice Stir Fry Vegetables Side Kicks Milk	13 Chicken Nuggets With 1g Biscuit Cuban Style Black Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	14 Baked Ziti with Meatballs and Garlic Toast Steamed Carrots Grapes Milk	15 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Broccoli Red Apples Milk	16 Cheese/ Hamburger (2G,2M) <b>Hashbrown Patty</b> Assorted Juice Milk	
	19 Breaded Chicken Sandwich (3G,2M) Shoestring Fries Cool rips Milk	20 Hard Tacos Charro Pinto Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	21 Ravioli with Garlic Bread Broccoli Cool Rips Milk	22 Chicken Patty Sandwich <i>Roasted Fresh Sweet Potato</i> Sliced Apples	23 STUDENT HOLIDAY	
	26 STUDENT HOLIDAY	27 Enchiladas Cuban Style Black Beans Strawberry Apple Sauce Milk	28 Cheese Pizza Pepperoni Pizza Steamed Carrots Side Kicks Milk	29 Popcorn Chicken Bowl <b>Mashed Potatoes</b> Corn Sliced Apples Milk	30 All Beef Hotdog Sautéed Spinach with Garlic Diced Peaches Milk	