



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 & Parents,

Welcome to another wonderful school year at Orlando Science Schools. As it begins, we look forward to all the achievements OSS and OSES will accomplish and all the exciting memories to make!

Check out page 2 to sign up for OSES PVO (also at the front desk along with OSS PVO info) and page 3 for upcoming events and early dismissals.

On page 4 is the awesome news about the information session for Science Olympiad and Robotics Teams!!!

Please read and fill out the student pickup/drop off sheet and send into Ms. Beece. This is very important!!

Keep checking OSS website for more information throughout the year for updates and events!! Also, please check your emails daily, Ms. Beece will try to send out important data as soon as she gets it.

Last but not least, I wanted to thank all of parents for their patience in the car lines during the morning and afternoon.

I hope everyone had a wonderful first week!

Sincerely,
Necati Sahin

"The beginning is the most important part of the work." ~Plato~

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OSES PVO

Membership Drive

How does PVO membership help me?

Being a member of the PVO will keep you aware of what is going on at school. You will also get advanced notice of PVO events and will be made aware of volunteering opportunities at OSES.

... and for my child?

When you help the PVO, you are also helping your child. We encourage every parent to participate in the PVO. But even if you do not have time to attend a meeting or volunteer at an event, your support will allow us to purchase needed items for the students, teachers and school.

How do I sign up?

The PVO form is on the OSS web site:

http://www.orlandoscience.org/images/stories/pdf/OSES_PVO_Membership_Form_2012-2013.pdf

Make checks payable to "OSES PVO". Return both the form and check to your child's teacher in an envelope marked "PVO".

Save the Date!

First PVO meeting: Sept 11 @ 6pm

You can bring your membership application and payment to the first meeting.

We hope to see you there!

What is a PVO?

A PVO is a "Parent Volunteer Organization" and is similar to the PTAs that you are more familiar with. The OSES PVO's mission is to help the students, the teachers and the school.

How often are meetings?

The PVO will meet once a month, on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm. Meetings are not mandatory. You may attend as many as you like.

How much does it cost?

PVO membership is only \$20 per school year and includes two (2) adult memberships.

Questions?

osespvo@gmail.com

OSS Upcoming Events

1. Grandparents Night **Dates TBA**
2. Curriculum Night **Dates TBA**

Always check the OSS website and PVO tab for all events!!!!!!!
****Make sure you check your emails****



Every Wednesday,
OSS/OSES will have early dismissals

K-5 dismissal will be at 1:30, **2:15 if they have clubs**
6th/7th grade dismissal will be at **1:38, 2:33 if they have clubs**
8th/ 9th/10th/11th grade dismissal will be at **1:51, 2:33 if they have clubs**

Students may remain on campus free of charge till 3:15pm, after which time, the cost will be \$10 until 4pm.

Regular after school care fee applies after 4:15pm.

After school care is available after 4:00 pm.
The cost associated with this is as follows:

***4:00-5pm \$15**

***5:01-6pm +\$25**

1. **In addition, if you are dropping off your after 8:30, you must come in and sign in your child.**
2. **Also, if you are picking up your student after 4:00pm, you must park and come in and picked them up from the cafeteria.**

Want to join a Science Olympiad or Robotics team at OSS?



To sign up parents and students must attend an informational meeting this Saturday August 25, 2012 at Orlando Science Schools. See times and costs, if any, below:

Elementary School

9:00 AM – *Science Olympiad*

10:00 AM – *FIRST Robotics* (Grades 3 – 5)

Jr. LEGO League (3rd Grade) - Registration cost \$75.00

FIRST LEGO League (4th – 5th Grade) - Registration cost \$100.00

Middle and High School

1:00 PM – *Science Olympiad*

2:00 PM – *FIRST Robotics* (Grades 6 -11)

FIRST LEGO League (Grades 6 - 8) - Registration cost \$100.00

FIRST Tech Challenge (Grades 7-11) - Registration cost \$100.00

FIRST Robotics Competition (Grades 8 - 11) - Registration cost \$200.00

Registration for teams will start after the meetings on a first come first serve basis until all available spots are filled. All fees are due at sign in. For more information call Maribel Barea at (407) 716 – 8228 or email at mbarea@earthlink.net.

**Orlando Science Schools (OSS) and
Orlando Science Elementary School (OSES)
Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up Information, Rules and Procedures,
On Campus Parking Rules,
& Parental Agreement, Contract, and Release of Liability**

The Orlando Science Schools and the Orlando Science Elementary School are providing this information in an effort to promote and ensure student safety, and to prevent interference with our neighbors' business activities. This document is designed to provide our parents, guardians, and carpools with important information related to student drop-off and pick-up procedures and rules.

Drop-Off Rules and Procedures:

- 1) The school campus speed limit is 5 miles per hour.
- 2) Students must only be dropped off on campus and only in the designated student drop-off zone.
- 3) Students must not be dropped off at any LYNX bus stop.
- 4) Students must not get out of vehicles that are stopped/parked on or next to Lynx Lane.
- 5) Parents must not enter or use any neighboring business parking lot when dropping off students.
- 6) Parents waiting for school to open must only park in an OSS/OSES school parking area.
- 7) Parents must pull all the way forward in the drop-off zone before discharging passengers.
- 8) Parents must make every effort to avoid blocking traffic, or causing traffic to be blocked, on Lynx Lane.

Pick-Up Rules and Procedures:

- 1) The school campus speed limit is 5 miles per hour.
- 2) Students must only be picked up on campus and only from/in a student dismissal/pick-up zone designated by OSS/OSES.
- 3) Students must not leave the dismissal area and/or walk to Lynx Lane, or any other off campus location, to be picked up.
- 4) Parents must not enter or use any neighboring business parking lot when picking up students.
- 5) Parents waiting for dismissal must only park in an OSS/OSES school parking area or in the dismissal/pick-up zone.
- 6) Students will not be released to parents who park at a neighboring business, or on Lynx Lane, and walk onto campus to pick up their students.
- 7) Parents must pull all the way forward within the pick-up zone before loading passengers.
- 8) Parents must make every effort to avoid blocking traffic, or causing traffic to be blocked, on Lynx Lane.
- 9) Students are not allowed to wait at any LYNX bus stop to be picked up by parents.
- 10) No early student pick-up is allowed within 20 minutes of a student's normal dismissal time, unless parents make special arrangements in advance with the school secretary to accommodate special situations such as doctor appointments, etc.

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Parking Rules and Procedures:

- 1) OSS/OSES staff, parents, and students, must park on campus and in designated parking spaces only. Exceptions will be made for special events when overflow parking is needed. Overflow parking will be in designated areas on campus only.
- 2) No off-campus parking is permitted.
- 3) The OSS/OSES school campus speed limit is 5 miles per hour.
- 4) No vehicle may remain parked on the OSS/OSES campus after normal business hours without prior authorization from an OSS/OSES administrator.

Parental Agreement, Contract, and Release of Liability:

I agree to comply with the preceding Orlando Science Schools (OSS) and Orlando Science Elementary School (OSES) Drop-Off and Pick-Up Rules and Procedures. I further agree to park only on the OSS/OSES campus and only in a designated parking space. I further understand that parking in any other area within the College Park Commons Condo Association (CPCCA) business park is strictly prohibited. I also understand that anyone who parks in any adjoining parking lot does so at their own risk. I understand that Orlando Science Schools, Orlando Science Elementary School, and all adjoining businesses assume no liability for damages to persons or property with regards to improper parking. I also agree that I and each person shall protect and hold harmless OSS/OSES and the adjoining businesses and its/their officers and employees from all claims for injuries to persons, or damage to property, by reason of parking on the grounds/campus of OSS/OSES or the grounds of any other business within the CPCCA business park.

Further, I agree that not conforming to and complying with all of the rules or requirements of the preceding agreement will constitute a breach of this contract, and that by breaching any part of this contract I give permission to OSS/OSES to begin removal proceedings for my child(ren). I further agree that if this contract is determined by OSS/OSES to have been breached, I will voluntarily withdraw my child(ren) from OSS/OSES peacefully and without protest, and I will waive all legal rights regarding my child(ren)'s attendance or enrollment at/in OSS/OSES.

I have read, understand, and agree to, the preceding Drop-Off and Pick-Up Rules and Procedures, and the preceding Parental Agreement, Contract, and Release of Liability:

Parent/Guardian Name:

(Please Print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Student Name:

(Please Print): _____

Date: _____

OSS Uniform Information and Vendor*

All Uniform Wear is our official uniform company that will provide all the needs of OSS' students. (please note they have recently moved)

Only uniforms provided by All Uniform Wear will be accepted at OSS Uniform pieces that are purchased elsewhere will not be accepted
(Including P.E. uniforms)

(If you are not sure about uniform items, Please contact Ms. Becc before you purchase any of them.)

Elementary school students (K-5th grade) will wear maroon or navy blue polos with the OSS logo with khaki or navy uniform bottoms.

Middle school students (6th, 7th, and 8th grade) will wear navy or red polos with the OSS logo with khaki or navy uniform bottoms.

High school students (9th, 10th and 11th grade) will wear grey or light blue polos with the OSS logo with khaki or navy uniform bottoms.

P.E. uniforms will consist of OSS P.E. T-shirt and blue shorts/sweatpants with the OSS logo. **(Elementary students DO NOT need P.E. uniforms)

**Shoes must be closed toed dress shoes or athletic shoes. No special designs or patterns (checkered, plaid, camouflage, etc.) or wild colors are permitted. Shoes must be worn at all times.

**Belts must be leather, braided leather, or fabric in the solid colors of black, brown or khaki. Grommets, brads, or excessive ornamentation on the belt is not permitted.

****NO ROLLING BACKPACKS**

Contact information:
All Uniform Wear # 16
8204 Crystal Clear Lane, Ste. 300
Orlando, FL, 32809
Tel: 407-480-4803
Fax: 407-480-4806

*For detailed uniform information, please check the Uniform Policy in the OSS Handbook, available at the beginning of the school year

** For ALL grade levels unless noted

