



# OSCEOLA HIGH SCHOOL

HOME OF THE KOWBOYS

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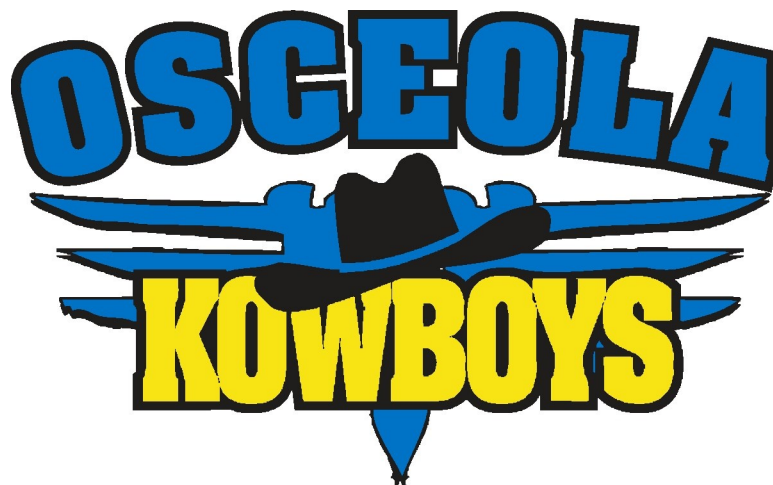
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# STUDENT HANDBOOK

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## Principal's Message



I am excited to rejoin the Osceola High School family as principal. I started my educational career as a Kowboy and it feels great to be back home. I personally believe that all students are capable of high achievement. We at Osceola High School have very high expectations both behaviorally and academically. We want to push you to succeed beyond your own expectations. I want you to take an active role in your high school experience, which means we want to hear from you about your educational and social interactions here at OHS. We want you to enjoy your high school experience while simultaneously preparing you for a bright future.

Let's have an awesome year.

Once a Kowboy, always a Kowboy!

Johana Santiago

**GO KOWBOYS!**

# Administrators & Counselors

## **ADMINISTRATORS**

Johana Santiago ..... Principal  
Bronsky Bryant ..... Assistant Principal  
Dr. Ivet Rivera ..... Assistant Principal  
Erica Walters ..... Assistant Principal

## **DEANS**

Kim McGevna ..... A-Edmonds  
Jonathan Zilinskas ..... Edouard-Marin  
Ivett Ortiz ..... Marlowe-Rincon  
Guice Gallman ..... Rios-Z

## **COUNSELORS**

### **3DE Counselor**

Larry Warren ..... A-Z

### **AVID and KAPS Counselor**

Sarah Snyder ..... A-Z

### **9th Grade**

Imaris Morales-Fuentes ..... A-Z

### **11th-12th Grade**

Nuria Clarke ..... A-Gomez  
Deysi Ortiz ..... Gonzalez-Perentena Leon  
Devyani Balladin ..... Perez-Z  
Jaquez Johnson ..... College & Career Specialist

# PRIDE

Osceola High School, Home of the Kowboys, is committed to providing our community with an excellent customer service experience that upholds our Kowboy PRIDE:

Osceola High School, Home of the Kowboys, is committed to providing our community with an excellent customer service experience that upholds our Kowboy Pride:

**KOWBOY**  
**.Positivity**  
**.Responsibility**  
**.Integrity**  
**.Determination**  
**.Excellence**

Everyone who steps onto our learning campus will be greeted and treated with Kowboy PRIDE.

# OHS Vision and Mission Statement



**VISION:** Graduate ALL students  
career and college ready.

**MISSION:** Osceola High School will  
provide access to rigorous  
courses with interventions  
to support all students.

**Building a Kowboy Legacy**

# Bell Schedule

Regular Bell	M,T,Th,F		Wednesday	LASSO
1st Period	7:20am - 8:13am		1st Period	7:20am - 8:03am
passing	8:13am - 8:18am		passing	8:03am - 8:08am
2nd Period	8:18am - 9:08am		2nd Period	8:08am - 8:50am
passing	9:08am - 9:13am		passing	8:50am - 8:55am
3rd Period	9:13am - 10:03am		3rd Period	8:55am - 9:37am
passing	10:03am - 10:08am		passing	9:37am - 9:42am
4th Period	10:08am - 10:58am		4th Period	9:42am - 10:24am
passing	10:58am - 11:03am		passing	10:24am - 10:29am
<b>5th Period Lunch</b>	<b>A, B</b>		<b>5th Period Lunch</b>	<b>A, B</b>
Lunch A	10:58am - 11:33am		Lunch A	10:24am - 10:59am
passing	11:33am - 11:38am		passing	10:59am - 11:04am
Class	11:38am - 12:28pm		Class	11:04am - 11:46am
Lunch B	11:53am - 12:28pm		Lunch B	11:11am - 11:46am
Class	11:03am - 11:53am		Class	10:29am - 11:11am
Passing	12:28pm - 12:33pm		passing	11:46am - 11:51am
6th Period	12:33pm - 1:23pm		6th period	11:51am - 12:33pm
Passing	1:23pm - 1:28pm		Passing	12:33pm - 12:38pm
7th Period	1:28pm - 2:20pm		7th Period	12:38pm - 1:20pm

\*Lunch is dependent upon your 5th period class

Lunch A - Buildings 100, 200, 900, 1100, 1500

Lunch B - Buildings 300, 400, 500, 1200, Gym, Portables

# School Calendar

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	
August	10	Wednesday	<b>First Day of School</b>
September	5	Monday	Labor Day- Teacher/Student Holiday
	12	Monday	1st 9 Weeks Progress Reports
	23	Friday	PD Day/Student Holiday
October	13	Thursday	<b>End of 1st Grading Period</b>
	14	Friday	Student Holiday
	17	Monday	<b>Begin 2nd Nine Weeks</b>
	24	Monday	1st 9 Weeks Report Cards
November	10	Thursday	2nd 9 Weeks Progress Reports
	11	Friday	Veterans Day/Student Holiday
	21-25	Mon-Fri	Thanksgiving/Student Holiday
December	16	Friday	<b>End of 2nd Grading Period</b>
	19-30	Mon-Fri	Winter Break/Student Holiday
January	3	Tuesday	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
	4	Wednesday	Classes Resumes/ <b>3rd Nine Weeks</b>
	16	Monday	Martin Luther King Day-Holiday
	17	Tuesday	2nd 9 Weeks Report Cards
February	7	Tuesday	3rd 9 Weeks Progress Reports
	17	Friday	Rodeo Day-Student Holiday
March	9	Thursday	<b>End of 3rd Grading Period</b>
	10	Friday	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
	13-17	Mon-Fri	Spring Break-Student Holiday
	20	Monday	<b>Begin 4th Nine Weeks</b>
April	3	Monday	3rd 9 Weeks Report Cards
	25	Tuesday	4th 9 Weeks Progress Report
May	29	Monday	Memorial Day
	30	Tuesday	<b>End of 4th Nine Weeks-Last day</b>



# **Attendance/Tardy Policy**

## **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

Absences shall be excused for the following reasons only:

- Illness or injury of the student
- Illness, injury or death in the immediate family of the student
- Educational Opportunities which are deemed by the Principal
- Pre-arranged Excused Absences

All others will be considered an Unexcused Absence

## **TARDY POLICY**

Students must be in the classroom when the tardy bell rings. If the student is not in the classroom when the tardy bell rings, the student will be considered tardy to class.

Students are expected to be in their first period class before the 7:20 am bell, which designates the start of the school day.

Students who violate this policy can expect one or more of the following responses:

- Meeting with a Dean
- Work Detail
- Lunch Detention
- In-School Suspension
- Administrative Action

All students must report to class whether they are tardy or late. Teachers will allow the student in the class and the teacher will mark the student Tardy or Late in FOCUS.

# Osceola High School's Standards of Participation

Kowboy students and families,

At Osceola High School, we believe that students should maintain high standards in academics, behavior, and attendance.

The following Standards of Participation should be met by all Osceola High School students in order to maintain eligibility for extra-curricular events and activities.

2.0 Grade Point Average (weighted) 2.

Less than 10 absences for Semester 1 events;

less than 15 absences for Semester 2 events

0 days of out of school suspension

Events and activities included under the Osceola High School Standards of Participation include, but are not limited to:

- Homecoming Events
- Field Trips
- Prom
- Grad Bash

It is the students' responsibility to know and abide by these Standards of Participation.

These Standards are posted in all classrooms at Osceola High School



**GO  
KOWBOYS!**

# Parking Pass/Bus Pass

## **PARKING PASS**

- Students who wish to park their car at the school, must have an OHS Parking Pass.
- Parking Passes are located in the front office; see Mrs. Richards.
- Parking Passes will cost \$40 for the school year. OHS Car Tag must be placed in your car; visible.
- You must park in the parking spot assigned to you.

## **BUS PASS**

- If you need to ride a bus that is not assigned to you, you must bring a signed note by your parent/guardian explaining why you need to ride a different bus.
- You can turn in the signed note to Mr. Bryant or Mr. Gallman. They will confirm with your parent/guardian and will provide the bus pass.
- Bus passes are only to be used on the valid dates that will be listed on the pass.
- **Bus passes are approved by the district transportation office and requests must be submitted BEFORE A lunch to be considered.**

# Dress Code

All students at OHS are expected to adhere to the OHS Dress Code Policy.

## **TOPS:**

Collared polo or button-down shirt

Must be one solid color

Colors - white, navy blue, yellow, royal blue, black

NO DESIGNS, STRIPES, SHEER, etc.

School athletic or club sponsored T-shirts may be worn any day of the week.

College T-shirts are allowed on Tuesdays

## **BOTTOMS:**

Blue or black denim jeans

Black, navy blue, Khaki pants

Shorts/Skirts/Skortis must extend to mid-thigh

Must be worn at the natural waistline (all students)

Absolutely NO:

Leggings, sweatpants, joggers, yoga pants, dresses, gym shorts, track-pants, athletic pants, pajama pants, NO SHOWING OF SKIN while wearing ripped or frayed jeans

## **SHOES:**

Sneakers, flats, boots

Sandals may be worn provided they do not interfere with the safety and welfare of the student and do not interfere with classroom policies (ex. Science, PE, etc.)

NO SLIPPERS

## **HEADWEAR:**

NO hats, hoods, durags, headgear, bandanas, combs, scarves, headwraps, bonnets or any head covering unless approved by the principal. Religious head covering must be accompanied by a parent-signed affidavit.

Only ONE ear bud may be worn at a time

**\*\*Student I.D.'s must be worn on front where visible at all times\*\***

**\*Game day attire is approved by Mr. Bryant prior to the start of the season and will be communicated to players by the coaches\***

# Cell Phone Policy

- Osceola High School has a bring your own device (BYOD) to school policy.
- Cell phones are to be put away during class. It is the student's responsibility to know the rules and procedures the teachers have in their classroom regarding phone usage for instructional purposes.
- At OHS, students are not allowed to talk on the phone or on FaceTime during school hours.
- Bring at your own risk.

**\*\*Refusal to Surrender to Administration= OSS (2 Days)\*\***

Students who violate the dress code and cell phone policies can expect one or more of the following responses:

-Parent notification

-Meeting with a Dean

-Work detail

-Lunch detention

-In-School Suspension

-Administrative Action



# PBIS/HERO

“Hero is built for the school heroes. The teachers. The students. Those who inspire greatness. With Hero, track the good with the bad, and reinforce positive behaviors that have the potential to ripple throughout Osceola High School.”

Hero is an online tracking system where we are able to monitor a student’s behavior history. Every teacher and student at OHS will be using the HERO system. HERO points can be added or deducted depending on the behavior and the behavior response.

## **WHAT TYPES OF BEHAVIOR WILL BE MONITORED?**

Points will be deducted for not showing P.R.I.D.E. while on campus or at a school sponsored event.

Points will be added when you are showing P.R.I.D.E anywhere on campus.

## **HOW DOES THE POINT SYSTEM WORK?**

- Students will receive 5 HERO points weekly if they do not get referred to the deans office (45 per Quarter).
- Teachers can also add HERO points if they see you showing PRIDE in the classroom or around campus.
- HERO points can also be taken away if you are not showing PRIDE in the classroom or on school campus.
- HERO points can be used for the following incentives:
  - Event Awards
  - Automatic Awards
  - Consumer Awards
  - Classroom Awards

# PBIS/HERO

## **WHAT ACTIVITIES CAN I USE THE POINTS FOR?**

- HERO Store (Open every Tuesday and Thursday)
- Popcorn
- Cotton Candy
- Candy
- Sodas
- Headphones
- Sports equipment
- Pep Rallies
- Homecoming
- Raffles (Donated items, Kowboy apparel, etc.)
- Grad Bash
- School Supplies
- Movie night
- Prom

The cost for these activities will come out at a later date.

Students if you want to score a lot of HERO points all you have to do is make sure your parents sign up. Show one of the deans that your parents have signed up and points will be added to your account.

# LASSO

## LASSO:

- Dedicated time for remediation or enrichment in ALL of your classes
- Small group work, rotating through stations including a teacher-led station
- Starts on Wednesday Sept. 1 and will occur every Wednesday during the regularly scheduled instructional period



# **COVID-19 Guidelines and Expectations**

Osceola High School is committed to implementing and following safety protocols established for face-to-face instruction. Students and parents are reminded that a student should have their temperature checked and their symptoms assessed at home before school and SHOULD NOT report to school if they have a fever of 100.4 or higher, a cough, shortness of breath, a loss of taste or smell, or have been in direct contact with someone who has COVID-19.

## **General Guidelines:**

- 1) Continue to encourage healthy habits; frequent hand washing, hand sanitizing, cover cough, etc.
- 2) Social distance as much as possible. All space in classrooms, etc. should be utilized to maximize space in between student stations.
- 3) Face masks are optional. Students should not be required to wear masks. It is not the school staff's responsibility to ensure students wear a mask when a parent wants their child to have face covering. Teachers shall not implement rules in their classroom requiring masks.
- 4) Face masks are required on the school bus.
- 5) Continue disinfection procedures.
- 6) Temperature checks are not required.
- 7) Faculty and other meetings may begin as part of your schedule. Social distancing should be implemented when feasible.
- 8) The health room should continue to have an isolation area.
- 9) Student gatherings are acceptable with social distancing when feasible.
- 10) Visitors and approved volunteers may return to campuses.
- 11) Continue to minimize sharing of items in the classrooms as much as feasible.
- 12) Quarantining procedures will remain in effect.
- 13) Students who are quarantined will utilize Teams or Canvas to access their coursework.