



# The Bulldog

OMS Newsletter

October 2019

OMS Students, Families, and Staff,

Happy first day of October! Teachers will be contacting families to set-up parent/teacher conferences. We encourage all families to set-up a conference, so our staff can celebrate your student's success. Please call the office at 816.633.1500 to schedule your time. We will also work together to develop a plan for any concerns with academics, behavior and/or attendance. Parent/teacher conferences are Tuesday, October 15th (4-7pm) and Thursday, October 17th from 3-7pm. Please bring your student, so they can be a part of the conference.

Our STEP parent organization will be hosting a Glow Run on October 23rd for students from 5- 5:45 at OMS. The cost is \$10 and a snack is included. The students will get to RUN the dark halls of OMS, play games and have a snack. We encourage families to drop off their child, but make sure to return for pick-up! 😊

Mrs. Lefman, librarian, will be hosting our first Skype session with Author Dusti Bowling. The students had to read the book *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus*, in-order to participate. The author will be doing a question and answer segment with our students. #coolbeans

Yours in Education,

*Mrs. Malizzi.*

*OMS Principal*

## **Athletics and Activities Alert:**

It's tough to believe, but Winter sports and activities are just around the corner. Middle school wrestling will begin on October 28, while basketball tryouts begin November 4. Students must have a **current physical** on file in order to participate and try out. This year there are two parts to the physical (two year and annual pages), so make sure everything gets filled out. Another great opportunity fast approaching is the OMS Winter Guard Club. There will be upcoming informational meetings for students for all approaching activities. Make sure to listen to announcements!

### Important Dates:

October 5 - OMS B Team Volleyball Tournament  
October 19 - Final Volleyball tournament (A & B) in Oak Grove  
October 22 - Final Football game - Away vs. Harrisonville  
October 28 - First Wrestling practice  
November 4 - Basketball tryouts begin

\* Please check the Odessa R-VII website for full OMS sports schedules.

*Mr. Doering.*



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## OMS Fun



### Dates of Interest:

**October 3th– Glow Walk Shirt Orders Due**

**October 9th– Special Olympics**

**October 11th– End of First Quarter**

**October 17th– Early Release**

**October 18th– No School**

**October 25th– 7th and 8th Grade Dance**

## Staff Member Spotlight

Mrs. Herzberg is in her second year of teaching. She taught last year in Iowa. We are very fortunate her and her husband have moved to Missouri!



My name is Carmen Herzberg and I am one of the 7th grade math teachers at Odessa Middle School. I am originally from Stanton, Iowa. I attended

Southwestern Community College (SWCC) in Creston, Iowa, where I continued my volleyball career. I transferred to Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville. We moved down to Missouri in June and have loved every minute of it! I married Travis Herzberg on November 10, 2018. We love spending time with our adorable dog, Luna. She is a mini-aussie/American Eskimo mix. So, she is about 25 lbs and super fluffy if we let her fur grow out! We also enjoy fishing, golfing, spending time with our friends, and watching football. We always cheer for the Iowa Hawkeyes and of course the Kansas City Chiefs!

Mrs. Herzberg is the JV High School Volleyball coach and OMS Assistant Track Coach.

## Test your OMS Staff Knowledge!

Match the fact with the staff member.

1. My son is named Easton
2. I have two sons (Jonah and Talon)
3. I have a grandson, Cooper
4. My wife is expecting our first child
5. I am a great Aunt to Cooper

- A. Mrs. Hawk
- B. Mr. Twombly
- C. Mr. Doering
- D. Ms. Gregson
- E. Mrs. Pierce