

August 11, 2023

Dear Oak Grove Community,

Thank you to everyone who attended the OGS Board meeting in person or through our streaming option. Please see the brief recap of the August meeting. As a Board, we are looking forward to welcoming our students, staff, and families back from a restful summer break.

1. This year, teachers across the school will piloting ELA materials with their literacy classes. A presentation about the pilot can be found on the Teaching and Learning (T/L) Department page on the district website. The T/L team will be hosting a Talk Tuesday for parents on October 3 (6 – 7:30 pm) in the Professional Development Room. The presentation will share more information about the literacy resources and instruction.
2. OGS will be piloting an insurance option to families to cover the cost of repairs to student devices in the event of damage. The insurance will be voluntary for families to participate. Information will be shared with families through BrightArrow and Oak Grove News when students return to school. Administration will evaluate the pilot in the spring to determine future implementation.
3. Oak Grove School’s E-Learning Plan needs to be renewed with the Regional Office of Education this school year. The E-Learning Plan permits OGS to deliver instruction virtually in lieu of using an emergency day that would need to be “made up” at the end of the school year. Virtual learning is most often used in the event of significant inclement weather. Administration will share details of the plan through Oak Grove News this September and parents can share feedback for consideration prior to finalizing the plan.
4. The OGS Parent/Student Handbook has been updated and will be shared with families upon the return to school. The handbook was audited this summer to ensure alignment to school board policies and best practice. Close to thirty parents, teachers, and administrators reviewed the suggested changes and offered input into the content. The updated handbook will be posted on the website.
5. Mr. Murray, OGS Principal, will be sharing a video message through BrightArrow to parents this week with important information about the return to school. The video message will be posted on Oak Grove’s website.

We look forward to opening our new school year in a couple weeks and continuing our partnership with our school community on behalf of OGS students.

The Oak Grove School Board of Education