



**Olympia South Elementary**  
**Mrs. Stacey Rogers, Principal**  
Parent Update-Week of March 4th, 2024

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**This Week At South:**

**Monday - United Way Canisters Come Home-Bring them back by Friday**  
**Tuesday - 2:30-3:45pm-After School interventions**  
**3-7pm-Student Led Conferences**  
**Wednesday -Early Release Day - AM Prek/ECE attends - all students dismiss at noon**  
**3-7pm-Student Led Conferences**  
**Thursday - 2:30-3:45pm- After School interventions**  
**Friday - End of 3rd quarter grading period**  
**Dress like your favorite book character if you'd like to**  
**8am-Spartan Spotlight Walk of Fame for February**

**Parent Survey Deadline Extended**

We were able to extend the parent survey deadline (see below). We have not had much participation thus far. We are working on a plan to set up some stations at conferences this week for your convenience. Please consider taking a few minutes to give us your feedback!

*Parents,*

*Each year we ask parents to provide their opinion on a climate and culture survey. The State Board of Education requires a parent climate survey be administered and we have chosen the one linked below. After clicking on the link below, you will be asked to select the school you are completing the survey for. If you have children in multiple schools, we ask that you complete the survey once for each school. This allows us to sort data and have school based discussions to identify areas to celebrate as well as to identify items we need to work on / opportunities for growth.*

***The survey will be open from January 23, 2024 - March 15th.***

*Thank you for your time.*

<https://eprovesurveys.advanc-ed.org/surveys/#/action/244261/p45832>

### **Talent Show - Friday, March 22nd**

The talent show will go on! Those participating have received information from Mrs. Schwartz. We are planning for the show to start around 1:30pm in the gym on the Friday before spring break. This will be confirmed after we have run through practices and have a better idea on timing. Parents will be invited to attend!

### **Read Across America Week - United Way Collection canisters**

This week Olympia School District will celebrate Read Across America week and partner with the United Way for a change drive. Every child will come home Monday with a small film canister. If you would like to support the United Way, please take your spare change laying around and put it in the canister. Your students can return the canister any day next week.

For Read Across America, your child can dress up as their favorite book character on Friday, March 8th if they would like to.

### **Student Led Conferences are this Week!**

It's not too late to sign up! I am sharing the link again with you for our student led conferences.

**[https://ptcfast.com/schools/Olympia\\_South\\_Elementary](https://ptcfast.com/schools/Olympia_South_Elementary)**

Our conference times for spring are Tuesday and Wednesday and remember your students are leading these conferences! They are excited to share some things about school with you.

### **March Family Mental Health Newsletter**

Discover the secrets to Family Happiness! In March's Family Mental Health Newsletter ([English/Spanish](#)), we delve into the profound insights from the Harvard Happiness Study and how they can transform your family's well-being. Learn how to nurture strong bonds, manage stress, and create a positive environment where happiness thrives. From teaching your kids the power of positivity to embracing change and resilience. Keep your family smiling by fostering happiness at home!

As always, check out the [ParentGuidance.org](https://parentguidance.org) resources where you can access free courses led by licensed therapists on more than 50 topics. Check out the course titled, Everyday Happiness. To access the course, simply navigate to ParentGuidance.org and click On-Demand Courses.

### **Grandparents Day**

With Grandparents Day coming up at OHMS, I wanted to be sure to communicate with you that our Grandparents Day event for Olympia South is planned for Friday, April 26th. As in years past, this will be a morning event that will start at 8am and conclude by 10am. More information will come as we get closer to the event.

### **PTO Updates**

Our next PTO meeting will be March 6 at 6:30 in the library.

Save the date! April 27 we will have our spring family event. More information to come!

### **Next Parent Webinar - March 19th - 7pm via zoom**

The next topic for our parent webinar series is the Effects of Screen time on children. This will be a great informational session!

Please click on the link below to view all information.

[Effects of Screen Time on Children](#)

### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

March 15th - 3rd quarter report card day

March 13th - 6pm - OAC meeting

March 22nd - Talent Show in the afternoon (Time-TBA)

March 25th - April 1st - No school - Spring Break and Easter Monday-Classes resume Tuesday, April 2nd

April 2nd - April 19th - IAR state testing window for 3rd-5th grade students

April 23rd - 5-6pm - Kindergarten Round Up

April 26th - Grandparents Day

April 29th - DIAL Pre-K screenings

**Link for Flyers:** Please check out our recently added flyers:

<http://www.olympia.org/o/district/browse/16336>