# **COUNSELOR'S CORNER**

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### Odem Jr. High School

The first six weeks is just about over. Students have settled in to their schedules and new school. Reporting period ends on Thursday, October 5. Report cards will be distributed during school on Thursday, October 12. Parents if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to email me at garciac@oeisd.org or the teachers at 361-368-8661 ext. 246 or 271. Parent Portal is up and running also. You can use last years user name and password to get in the grading program.

#### **October Events**

October is busy with Anti Bullying Month, Cancer Awareness and Red Ribbon Week. Wednesdays will be designated as Kindness Day and students and teachers will wear Orange t-shirts to commemorate Anti Bullying. OJH will concentrate on Anti bullying every Friday in October through class discussions and videos during Enrichment class. National Unity Day will be on Wednesday, October 25.

Students will also recognized Breast Cancer Awareness Month by wearing Pink every Tuesday in October and at the Pep Rally on Thursday, October 26.

Red Ribbon Week will be October 23-27. Students will receive different items by OJH student council to remind them to be drug free. Students will dress up this week to reiterate anti drug statements.

Communication between students and parents are vital to get these messages across to them. Knowledge is power. There are several great resources one can use to empower themselves.

Bullying- http://www.pacer.org/bullying/ https://www.stopbullying.gov/index.html Anti Drug — http://www.tcadr.org/resources/ https://www.madd.org/ https://drugfree.org/

#### Technology Is on Our Side

Naviance is a software students will use to begin their college readiness. We will begin with an interest inventory to explore the students' areas of interest. Students will be able to explore different colleges and careers through this program. Students will also begin lessons to enhance their knowledge on a variety of careers and the process of achieving their career goals. It is never to early to begin thinking of what career they want to pursue.

#### **Up and Coming Events**

October 5 - End of the 1st Six Weeks October 6- Teacher Planning Day October 12- Distribute Report Cards 1st SW October 27- End of 3 weeks/ Teacher Planning Day November 2- Distribute Progress Reports 2nd SW

#### Spirit Days

October 5– Flashback Day October 12– Hawaiian Day October 19– Twin Day October 26– Jersey Day

#### Red Ribbon Week October 23-27, 2017

Monday- Wear Red- We're Red'y to be Drug Free.
Tuesday- Wear Boots- Boot Out Drugs. .
Wednesday- Nerd Day- We are too smart for Drugs
Thursday- Jersey Day- Team up against Drugs

## October 2017

## Odem Junior High School

## Committed to Excellence

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2	3 Wear Pink for Cancer Awareness	Wear Or- ange for Kindness and Anti Bullying	5 End of 1st SW Throw the Badgers back in time. Flashback Day	6 Teacher Planning	7
8	9	10 Wear Pink for Cancer Awareness	11 Wear Or- ange for Kindness and Anti Bullying	12 Lei Out the Bobcats. Hawaiian Day	13	14
15	16	17 Wear Pink for Cancer Awareness	18 Wear Or- ange for Kindness and Anti Bullying	19 Make London see Double. Twin Day	20	21 Fall Festival
22	23 RED RIBBON WEEK Wear Red. We're Red'Y to be DRUG FREE. Bracelet	24  Wear Pink for Cancer Awareness  Boot out Drugs.  Wear Boots.	25 Wear Orange We are too smart for Drugs. Nerds Day. Bookmark	26 Team up against Drugs. Jersey Day	27 Teacher Planning	28
29	30	31 Wear Orange for Kindness and Anti Bullying				