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Welcome to the 2018-19 school year at OMS!

I hope everyone has had a great summer, and before we know it, our doors will open to welcome students for a new and exciting school year! Opening day is September 4th (Tuesday) after the Labor Day weekend. This is a different start date from our district's previous years so please take note of the change.

School Bus Routes and student schedules are available on the www.rsu13.org website. Schedules can be viewed on PowerSchool through the Parent Portal. If you do not yet have access to the Parent Portal, please send us an email and we will email you back with the proper credentials to login.

We will start the year with our building continuing to undergo new construction and renovations. We are working with the contractor to ensure that staff and student safety is of the utmost importance during this time.

It is important to me that you have the most up-to-date information regarding the renovations. Our cafeteria and kitchen will be ready to start serving food in October. We will start the year by serving breakfast in homerooms, and lunch will be served in the gym until the cafeteria and kitchen are ready to serve students.

A number of our allied arts teachers will be sharing rooms due to their new classrooms being constructed and/or renovated. Students will have a clear understanding of where their classrooms are both during and after renovations. We are hopeful that most of our renovations will be completed by the end of the first semester, which will also include new student bathrooms in the southern end of the building.

Due to the construction, we have decided not to hold an open house right away. Once the construction projects are completed, we will schedule an Open House Celebration. We are looking forward to celebrating the future of OMS with all of you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the administrative assistants at the school by phone or through email. I can also be reached at the school and my email address is wgifford@rsu13.org.

Please stay tuned for information regarding our progress via our Facebook page and our district website.

Regards,

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OMS Principal