Welcome to O'Connor High School &

The Agriculture Science and Technology Academy



In addition to School Messenger, HAC, and the Campus Website...



Follow us for reminders, updates, and shout-outs to OC's fantastic student groups!

Agriculture Science and Technology

Students enrolled in the NISD Agriculture Science and Technology Magnet High School, please follow BOTH campuses!



"Love Navy, Live Gold"



Love Navy?

- Be proud to be an O'Connor Panther!
- Take care of yourself, our campus, and most importantly... each other!
 Live Gold?
 - Be honest, have integrity, always do your best.
 - Treat yourself and others with respect.

OC Nation!



OHS Administration Team

Assistant Principal Mrs. Barrett

Principal Mr. Martinez Assistant Principal Mrs. Connell



Assistant Principal Mr. Muñoz Associate Principal Mr. Christian

Academic Dean Mrs. Bishop

OHS Counseling Team



Head Counselor: Mrs. Schmidt

(A- Car)	Mrs. Appleby
(Cas - Fl)	Mrs. Hewgley
(Fo - H)	Mrs. Ramos
(I - Ma)	Mr. Matta
(Mc - P)	Mr. Clarke
(Q - So)	Ms. Valdez-Yzaguirre



(Sp - Z) Mrs. Holder

*All Ag Students - Mrs. Zablocki-Wilson

Agriculture Science and Technology Academy

Principal Mr. Bohlken Associate Principal Mr. Johnson



Counselor Mrs. Wilson Program Coordinator Mr. Hawkins

What students can expect on the First Day of School

- All students will remain in the courtyard or cafeteria area until the bell to move to first period rings.
- If you have are authorized to park on campus, (once you are safely parked) quickly exit your vehicle and enter the campus. Be aware of pedestrians!
- Bring a fully-charged device, a notebook, and something to write with. Teachers will notify students during the first week of the supplies needed for their classes.
- Counselors and administrators will be on duty if you have any questions.
- Lockers will not be issued. If a student <u>needs</u> one, they can come to the front office and one will be assigned.



Exclusively for Freshmen

- The first *three weeks* of the school year, all *freshmen* are required to report to an assigned classroom *for the first 15 minutes of their lunch period.* Students will:
 - learn about opportunities, organizations, and clubs
 - learn about all the resources at OC to support them
 - get help with homework or classwork
 - get answers to questions they may have about OC
 - meet fellow members of their graduating class!

FLEX Time

FLEX is an extra block of time that has been created between 2nd and 3rd period to allow students to receive tutoring during the day.

- On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, students will go to specific FLEX locations.
- It is the responsibility of the student to select ("flag") a FLEX location. Students will receive more information on how to "flag" themself at a later training.
- The goal of FLEX is to give students time during the day to support academic progress and ultimately success in all classes.

Advisory Time

- On Mondays and Fridays, students will stay in 2nd period for an advisory period.
- Advisory time should be used to:
 - work on academic assignments.
 - conference with their 2nd period teacher about grades, campus events, and/or questions they may have about their future academic goals.
 - flag themself for future FLEX sessions (T-W-Th)

If used purposefully, both FLEX and advisory time can help students stay on track.

Let's Get Moving!

- **Bells & Passing Periods**
 - 6 minute passing periods.
 - 2 bells:
 - 1st bell = Warning bell
 - » <u>Move quickly to class when</u> you hear this bell
 - 2nd bell = Tardy bell
 - » Excessive tardies may result in consequences
 - Office Referral
 - Lunch detention
 - In-School Suspension
 - Suspension





Let's Eat!



- 9th & 10th grade students must stay on campus for lunch... underclassmen are NOT allowed to leave campus!
 - Students may only eat in the cafeteria/courtyard areas.
 - Lunch is available to all students free of charge this year.
 "Extras" (dessert, snacks, a la carte items can be purchased)
 - Students are allowed to bring lunch from home.
 - Food Delivery Services are NOT allowed at OHS! (No GrubHub, DoorDash, Uber Eats, etc.)
 - If a student forgets his/her lunch, a parent/guardian can sign-in to the front office to drop off lunch. Students are not allowed to meet at the curb/ in the parking lot for food drop-offs!

Only juniors and seniors can leave campus for lunch with a valid off-campus permit!

Arrival

- Once students arrive on campus, they are NOT allowed to leave! (No Bill Miller's, Starbucks, Dunkin' runs!)
- Students remain in the cafeteria or courtyard until the bell to move to 1st period rings.
- Students cannot enter an academic building unless they have a hall pass from a teacher.

Dismissal

- Buses depart @ 4:40 in the bus loop.
- There are several rounds of bus departures.
- Students are responsible for watching for their bus to arrive; bus arrivals are not announced.
- Once a bus leaves the bus loop, it cannot be called back.

















What's it like to be a Panther?







A Panther is Proactive!

Students are encouraged to:



- prioritize learning above all else.
- work with their teachers when support is needed.
- prioritize what's important to successfully achieve goals.
- make friends with peers who are positive influences and help them make healthy choices.
- seek out new activities by getting involved in electives, clubs, and organizations on campus.
- check the "Panther Calendar" on the OHS website, bulletin boards on campus, and listen to morning announcements for updates on current events.

Academic Support is Everywhere!



Gina DeLallo Graduation Coach Amanda Thornton Flex Coordinator

Rachel Hinojoza Student Success Advisor

FLEX

 Students can work on assignments and receive tutoring during FLEX time every day.

Teacher & Department Tutoring

 Students will receive individual class tutoring schedules from teachers during the 1st week of school.

OHS Tutoring Center: B102 (Library)

- Available during their <u>assigned</u> lunch period.
- Support is provided by OHS Teachers & College Tutors.

A Panther Gets Involved!

- Some of the electives we offer:
 - JROTC
 - Athletics
 - Spirit
 - FCS
 - Band
 - Orchestra
 - Theater
 - Art







Clubs are open to EVERYONE!!!
 Be sure to visit the club tables in the courtyard and complete the Google Form to get connected to what interests you!
 bit.ly/OC21-22Clubs



OC is an "outdoor" campus.

- Download a weather App & stay informed!
- Bring an umbrella.
- Stay under the covered walkways when it's raining.
- Students will report to the cafeteria or under the covered walkways during inclement weather.

A Panther is Prepared!

Bring your device, fully charged every day!

- All NISD students will be issued a district device.
- Teachers will tell students how/if devices will be used for their individual courses.
- Students will be able to pick up an NISD device today during Prep Day rotations in the cafetoria

the cafeteria.



Attendance

- Students are expected to attend <u>every</u> class, <u>every</u> day. It's the law!
- During class time students are required to report to (and stay in) their assigned classroom.
- When a student is absent:
 - When you return to school, bring an excuse note from a parent/guardian to the attendance office before/after school or during their lunch period. (An email can also be sent to the OHS Attendance Secretary <u>susana.roeder@nisd.net</u>.
 - Be sure to connect with teachers (email, or a face to face conversation) about missing work & make a plan to catch up.

Attendance is tied to a student's graduation credits.

Excessive absences could result in:

- "No Credit Earned" (Repeat the course even with a passing grade).
- Possible delay in graduation year if he/she falls behind in credits.
- Denied approval for off-campus lunch during Junior/Senior year.
- Denied the VOE form (Verification of Enrollment) to apply for driver's permit & driver's license.

OC Dress Code Looking Good!



Dress for Success!

Students will not be allowed to attend class if their dress is inappropriate for the school day. At O'Connor High School, all students are expected to "Dress for Success" everyday.

The following items are <u>NOT</u> ALLOWED:

- Clothing or jewelry with profane language, vulgar drawing, promotion of tobacco, alcoholic beverages, drugs, suicidal or inappropriate messages, or any clothing or paraphernalia deemed inappropriate by school officials
- Pants worn below the waist ("sagging")
- Clothing that is more than 4" above the kneecap (student ID card length)
- Excessively tight, revealing, or see-through clothing
- Tank tops ("spaghetti-strap" style), tube tops, halter top blouses or bralettes, midriff (exposed stomach), bare backs (exposed shoulders/backs) off the shoulder blouses, or revealing clothing of any kind
- Bandanas in any form
- Excessively ripped jeans/pants. Rips, tears, holes in jeans may not expose the leg higher than 4" above the kneecap (student ID card length)
- Any attire or grooming that is deemed a distraction or inappropriate by campus administration

When in doubt, please do not wear it to school.



OHS Student ID Card



Everyone needs one!

Students who missed "ID Days" last week, can have their student ID card made during their lunch period (in the library) once school starts. 11th & 12th grade: Aug. 25th - 27th 9th & 10th grade: Aug. 30th - Sept 3rd ID's are issued free of charge for the first ID. Replacement ID's are \$5; Reminders will be shared during morning announcements!

Setting Goals for Success

- Give 100% effort and do your best!
- Seek support when needed.
- Develop effective study skills.
- Work hard.
- Get involved in campus activities.
- Plan for life after OC; 4 years will fly by!



Mark Your Calendar!

Please make plans to join us on Tuesday, August 24th at 6:30pm for "Meet the Teacher"

