

WAPPINGERS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OAK GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

If you would like your child to be considered for this Peer Mediation program, you must complete and detach the permission slip below. We will be choosing 25-30 students this year. Students will be chosen based on teacher recommendation and PBIS rules. The list will be posted by Friday, September 22, at noon on PE board. So make sure you return this permission slip by September 21, 2017!

Peer Mediation Club is for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> graders that are chosen to represent Oak Grove and will begin on Wednesday, September 27, 2017, from 7:30-8:25 a.m. The club will end on Wednesday, May 23, 2017. This program is a special opportunity to learn constructive ways of dealing with the conflicts that children are faced with every day. Peer mediators are trained in conflict resolution by learning how to use their listening skills, problem solving skills, and negotiating skills to help their classmates solve problems peacefully. The club will be involved in many activities throughout the year:

1. Help with our school-wide Penny Wars.
2. We will host the NY Blood Center Blood Drive (scheduled during Parent-Teacher Conferences on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017, from 1-7 p.m.).
3. We will participate in the school-wide NBA Zone (No Bullies Allowed).
4. We will visit a nursing home for the holidays.
5. We will be involved in the *Mitten Tree* and *Toys for Tots* to help local families less fortunate during the holidays.

\*I understand that participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege granted to Oak Grove students. In order to participate in these activities, students are expected to make every effort to do their best academically and to respect school rules and all individuals in the building. Failure to maintain such standards will affect eligibility to participate in the Peer Mediation Club. \* During 2-hour delay, Peer Mediation will be cancelled.

Sincerely,

Dawn Turpin-Orgetas  
Physical Education Teacher, Peer Mediation Advisor

(DETACH HERE)

**RETURN TO Mrs. Turpin-Orgetas**

My son/daughter, \_\_\_\_\_ in Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to participate in

the before school Peer Mediation Club at Oak Grove Elementary School. I understand that I am responsible for providing transportation for my child on Wednesdays (4, 5, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders) before school at 7:30 am.

\*\*\*My child will be notified on Friday, September 22 if they were chosen to represent the school in this club. Please remind your son/daughter that we cannot accept everyone who applies.



Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Home Telephone # and/or Cell Telephone #

Emergency Number/Contact Person

E-mail address

Would you be able to help with any events? YES or NO