Top 10 tips for O’Bryant parents of 7th-graders

1. Check your student’s grades on the Aspen system once a week -- it is a good way to understand your child’s progress and stay ahead of any academic challenges. Review your child’s agenda book to ensure your student is recording homework assignments and test/quiz schedules, allowing you to check the work and make sure your student has everything completed.

2. Ensure that your student has a distraction-free zone (home, library, community center, bedroom, etc.).

3. Introduce yourself to your child’s teachers and guidance counselor at the first Parent-Teacher Open House. This is a great time to get your child’s teachers’ contact information and your child’s class schedule and syllabuses.

4. Keep an eye on your child’s social media activity -- it seems to rise exponentially when students enter middle school.

5. Many teachers use web-based tools (blogs, Turnitin.com, etc.). Ask your child what tools his/her teachers use and become familiar with them. You will find the class assignments, deadlines, resources, and information your child needs to keep on track and organized.

6. Get to know the school administrators and staff -- they are an invaluable resource. Mr. Robinson is the Middle School Guidance Counselor. If you have not met him during visits to the school, be sure to say hello. And your child will meet Mr. MacLeod, the Assistant Headmaster for Middle School. You should, too!


8. Get involved in the School Parent Council (SPC) and School Site Council (SSC). These groups are great ways to meet fellow 7th-grade parents and connect with the parents of students older than your child -- these parents are always ready to help and share information.

9. Support the school in any way you can. There are plenty of opportunities to engage in small and large ways -- during field trips, once-in-a-while requests from the school, and attending sporting, music, and arts events.

10. Buy O’Bryant Gear and wear it proudly. You can find information on the school’s website. Or contact the O’B Gear Store directly at obryantgear@gmail.com.

Important information:

O’Bryant school website: www.obryant.us
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