Dear Parents,

As Thanksgiving approaches, we want to give thanks for all our Obie parents and everything they do to help strengthen the Oberlin community.

Whether you cheer from the sidelines at games, connect current students with internship opportunities, volunteer your time, or whether you donate to scholarships, endowed chairs, or an Oberlin cause close to your heart, we want to thank you and your children for being a part of our family. As you review your end-of-year giving, please consider supporting Oberlin College.

Life After Oberlin

Over parents weekend, Oberlin College’s President Marvin Krislov and the Parents Executive Committee hosted a panel of alumni, parents, faculty, and career center staff to discuss career-related resources within the Oberlin community. If you missed this opportunity or want to revisit how networking, internships, mentors, and graduate school prep can help your Obie before and after graduation, you can watch the talk online on our YouTube page.

What Does the Parents Fund Do?

The Oberlin Parents Fund, together with the Oberlin Alumni Fund, serves as a vital resource for meeting the unrestricted day-to-day needs of the college. Tuition covers just over half of the cost of a year at Oberlin; even students not receiving financial aid benefit from the generosity of parents and alumni. By making a gift to the Parents Fund, you will help bridge the gap between tuition and the cost of providing an Oberlin education, while amplifying your son’s or daughter’s educational experiences.
Find out how your gift can make a difference.

Are You on Switchboard Yet?

What is Switchboard? Imagine Craigslist specific to the Oberlin community but less localized than the Oberlin classifieds. Switchboard allows students, alumni, parents, faculty, and staff to help each other through asks (“I need something”) and offers (“I have something”) wherever they are in the world. Registration takes only a few moments and you can preview how the system works before signing up. Ma’ayan Plaut ’10 has written a helpful tutorial to highlight many of the features of Switchboard.

What do you need help with today?

Austin E. Knowlton Athletics Complex Opens

More than 2,000 people gathered on Saturday, September 20, for the grand opening of the Austin E. Knowlton Athletics Complex. The event-packed day included a campus wide tailgate, dedication ceremony, Oberlin College's first night football game, and fireworks. The complex includes a state-of-the-art press box, grandstands for home and visiting spectators, a support facility that will be home to all men's and women's outdoor sports, and a clubhouse and social suite open to the campus community.

Watch the dedication ceremony.

The Wilder Bowl is an e-newsletter produced by the Oberlin Parents Fund for parents of current students of Oberlin College and Conservatory. If you have any questions or any feedback about this e-newsletter, send an email to pgiving@oberlin.edu.

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