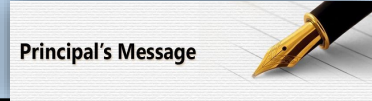


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Dear Students, Parents, and Community Members,

I wish you all a Happy New Year and hope that you had an enjoyable holiday. Thank you for your continued support of our students and staff here at the Oriskany Junior/Senior High School. Back on December 21st we had the Winter Solstice, which is the shortest day of the calendar year. This means, then, that every day moving forward will be "a little bit brighter!"

We recently received news that the New York State Education Department has canceled the January 2022 Regents Exams. As of now, the plan is still for the June 2022 Regents to be administered. We will keep everyone informed with any developments on this matter.

Thank you to the adults who came to support our successful capital campaign! At the Junior/Senior High School, this means that, by November 2024, we will have new windows, a reimagined library, a new kitchen and cafeteria, and more. We are thankful for these projected items that will improve our students' educational experiences.

Good luck to the players and coaches in their respective winter sports, as well as our musicians who performed the December Holiday Concert. We are proud of the way you represent Oriskany.

At the end of January we start the third marking period. With your partnership we have successfully navigated one half of the school year. Here's to another great half of the year!

Sincerely,
Mr. Ranieri



ATTENTION!!!

The January New York State Regents Exams have been cancelled.



UPDATE
YOUR INFO

Attention Parents/Guardians:

If you have moved or are planning on moving, if your phone number or any other contact information has changed, please contact Mrs. Grinnell, district registrar. She will be happy to make the necessary changes in SchoolTool.

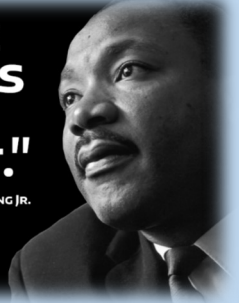
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What's Happening?

"THE TIME IS ALWAYS RIGHT TO DO RIGHT."

— MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.



January...

- 1st- New Year's Day
- 4th- BOE Meeting @ 7pm
- 8th- Athletics
- 17th- Martin Luther King Jr. Day– NO SCHOOL
- 18th- BOE Meeting @ 7pm
- 28th- End of 2nd Marking Period
- 31st- Yearbook Sales End



January...

7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th

February...

4th, 11th, and 18th

March...

4th and 11th



Did You Know...

January

- 4th- National Spaghetti Day
- 7th- Bobblehead Day
- 15th- National Hat Day
- 18th- Winnie the Pooh Day
- 21st- National Hug Day
- 23rd- National Pie Day
- 30th- National Croissant Day
- 31st- National Hot Chocolate Day



got yearbook?

Order your yearbook by January 31st at

jostensyearbooks.com

Student
SPOTLIGHT

Attention Parents/Guardians/Teachers:

Do you have a student you would like to be recognized for being outstanding? If so, you can submit pictures and information about that student to be featured in the Student Spotlight section of the monthly newsletter. Just email Mrs. Grinnell with the information, hgrinnell@oriskanycsd.org.



SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
March 12, 2022	February 11, 2022	March 1, 2022
May 7, 2022	April 8, 2022	April 26, 2022
June 4, 2022	May 5, 2022	May 25, 2022

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
April 2, 2022	February 25, 2022	March 11, 2022
June 11, 2022	May 6, 2022	May 20, 2022



This Happened...

THE ART BUZZ

ART CLUB NEWS

Members from Art Club volunteered with the Oriskany Auxiliary in creating a float for the Christmas in the Nettles, replicating the infamous scene from "A Christmas Story".

Thank you to the Oriskany Auxiliary for including the art club in this spectacular event.



Art Room News

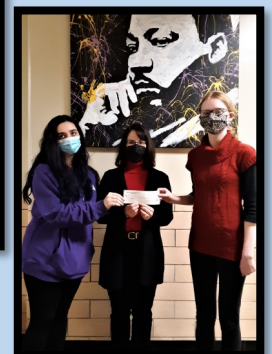
The November Mystery Artist was retired Oriskany Art Teacher, Barbara Schooley! Ms. Schooley is busy during retirement as she creates en plein air watercolor paintings. The students in art classes and art club enjoyed seeing her artwork and also had the opportunity to see her create a live watercolor painting as she demonstrated various watercolor techniques.



Language Club



The High School Language Club held a holiday giving fundraiser selling hot chocolate to students and staff after school. They were able to raise \$101 to donate to the Utica Refugee Center. The money was delivered to Ms. Jen Van Wagoner by students Jessalyn Birt and Avery Roberts.

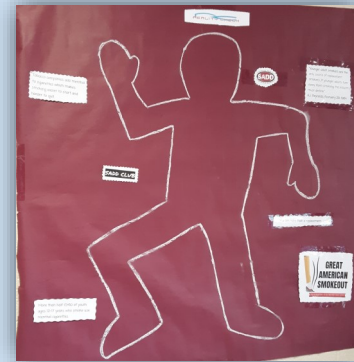




SADD News...

The American Cancer Society marks the third Thursday of every year as the Great American Smoke-out, encouraging smokers to use the date to make a plan to quit, or to plan in advance and quit smoking that day.

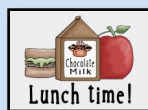
...Quitting smoking is not easy, but it can be done. The number of people smoking cigarettes is decreasing while the use of e-cigarettes is increasing. **DON'T BE THE REPLACEMENT SMOKER!!**



January is Be Kind To Food Servers Month

A great big "Thank You" to our cafeteria staff, Valerie, Colleen, Brooke, and Becky. They make sure our students have breakfast and lunch every day.

Your hard work is much appreciated.



Oriskany Central School cafeterias provide appealing, high-quality breakfast and lunch programs for students within the district. Breakfast and lunch menus for the current and up-coming months can be viewed on the OCS website, www.oriskanyschools.org.

A serene winter landscape featuring a stream flowing through a forest of snow-laden trees. The sun is positioned low in the sky, creating a warm, golden glow that filters through the bare branches, casting long, soft shadows. The ground and rocks are covered in a thick layer of white snow, and the water in the stream reflects the ambient light.

January Is...

Be Kind to Food Servers Month

International Brain Teaser Month

International Creativity Month

National Polka Music Month

National Blood Donor Month

Walk Your Pet Month