

# Oriskany Jr./Sr. High School

Monthly Newsletter

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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

This school year is going by quickly! I want to extend my gratitude to our teachers, students, parents/caregivers, and the entire community for making this fall a wonderful season filled with achievements in academics and activities. Just a reminder, the end of the 1st Marking Period is November 8th. Students are encouraged to stay with their teachers during the 2:30-2:55 activity period each day.

Also, I want to congratulate our fall student athletes for a great season both on and off the field. The Westmoreland Football team, Oriskany Girls' Soccer team, combined Westmo /Oriskany Boys' Soccer team, the combined Oriskany/Westmo Cheer team, the combined Westmo/Oriskany Cross Country team and our Gymnastics team all made sectionals this year. The Varsity Competitive Cheer team took first in their division at the Fall Game Day Section III Championships! This is the team's fourth consecutive fall season championship. Junior Bryana Manella and Freshman Isabella Smith were recognized as All-Star Cheerleaders. Freshman Arianna Kernan took 6th place on floor at the Sectional Meet and qualified on floor for the Section III State Team. Fall sports have ended but please remember to sign up for JV and Varsity winter sports on Family ID.

Senior shadowing is scheduled for November 14th. This opportunity does not apply to students already enrolled in BOCES or New Visions, as they already participate in internships through their programs. As always, thank you for your ongoing support of our students, staff, and school!

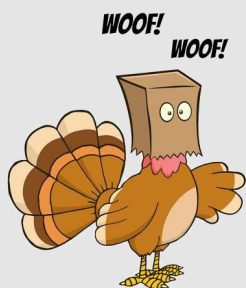
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Sincerely,

Andrew K Kennedy  
Oriskany Jr./Sr. High School Principal



November 3, 2024



# NOVEMBER happenings



November 3rd



## November...



- 3rd- Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 5th- Election Day
- 8th- National Honor Society Induction @ 6:30pm
- 8th- End of 1st Marking Period
- 11th- Veteran's Day- No School
- 15th- Report Cards Mailed Home
- 18th- JV & Varsity Winter Sports Begins
- 19th- BOE Meeting @ 7pm
- 27th-29th- Thanksgiving Recess



### Did You Know...

#### November

- 1st National Calzone Day
- 4th National Candy Day
- 9th World Freedom Day
- 13th World Kindness Day
- 17th Homemade Bread Day
- 20th National Peanut Butter Fudge Day
- 21st World Hello Day
- 24th Celebrate Your Unique Talent Day
- 29th Square Dancing Day

The 7th Grade Class will be running a "Scentsy" candle sale :

November 4th- November 18th

Orders will be in before Christmas!!



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November 1st- 28th



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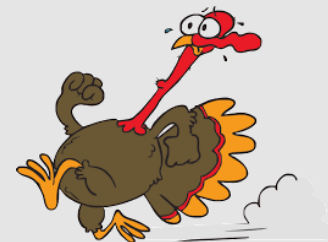




SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
December 7, 2024	November 22, 2024	November 26, 2024
March 8, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 22, 2025	May 27, 2025



ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024	November 22, 2024
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025	March 16, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025



# Counseling and Career Services News...



## Scholarship Opportunities.....

The Oriskany Retirees' Organization, which is made up of administrative, instructional, & non-instructional retirees from the Oriskany Central School District, offers two types of scholarships.

**The Future Educators' Scholarship:** This scholarship is open to any student pursuing a degree in Education. This is a shared scholarship with the Oriskany Alumni Association, therefore, in order to be considered for this application, you must also apply to the Oriskany Alumni Association Scholarship.

**Oriskany Scholarship:** This scholarship is for any student who will be attending a 2 or 4 year college, career and technical school, or the military.

For further details and applications for these scholarships, see the Counseling office in January 2025. The deadline for these scholarship applications will be April 11th, 2025



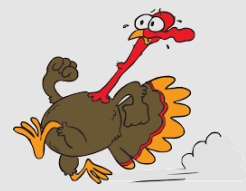
# This Happened...



Mr. Murphy and Mrs. Pruckno wrapped up their indoor soccer unit with some glow-soccer! Students in grades 9-12 wore glow sticks, and they had a glow in the dark soccer ball to play on their last day of the unit!



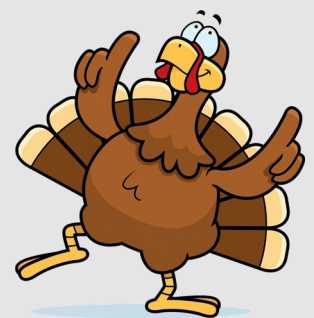
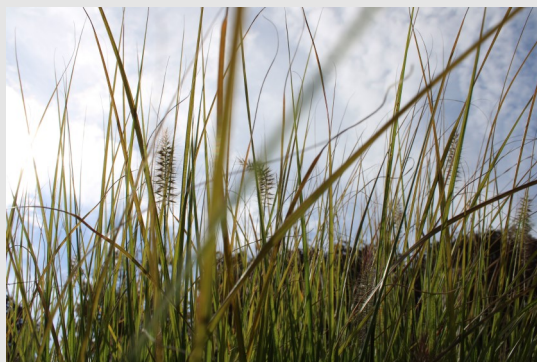
# Soccer in P.E.



# This Happened...



Students in Digital Photography class practiced taking their first photos as they learned specific functions of the camera, such as aperture and shutter speed. They purposely manipulated specific functions depending on the scene being photographed and then learned how to boost highlights and shadows using photoshop. Some students took artistic authorship by adding creative backgrounds to the subjects in their photographs.



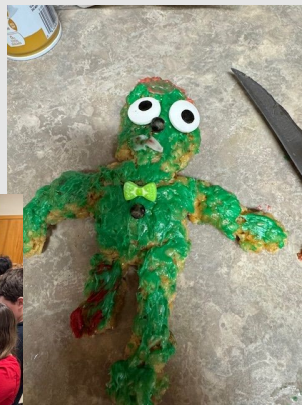
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## In Home & Careers



7th grade students in Home and Careers have been using their newly learned culinary skills to assist Cornell Cooperative Extension in making food such as a fall salad with apples, strawberry banana smoothies and lasagna with spinach. Recently the students took a sweet turn and followed a recipe for a simple dessert called Monkey Bread in a mug.



7th grade students experimented with their decorating skills in Mrs. Cortese's home and careers class on Halloween. Students worked with their lab groups to make Rice Krispie treats and then were tasked with the challenge of making them into a spooky creation. Great job everyone!



# This Happened...



## Sophomore Business Tours



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**Veterinary  
Medical  
Service**



On Wednesday, October 30th, members of the Sophomore Class had the opportunity to tour different local businesses. The students were divided into 4 career clusters. Each student was assigned into one of the career clusters based on a survey that they completed in English class. Students Visited the following businesses; CNY Veterinary Medical Service, New York State Police, S.R. Sloan, Inc., & Indium. The School and Business Alliance (SABA) worked with the Office of Counseling and Career Services to provide this opportunity to our students.



## Indium Corporation





# This Happened...



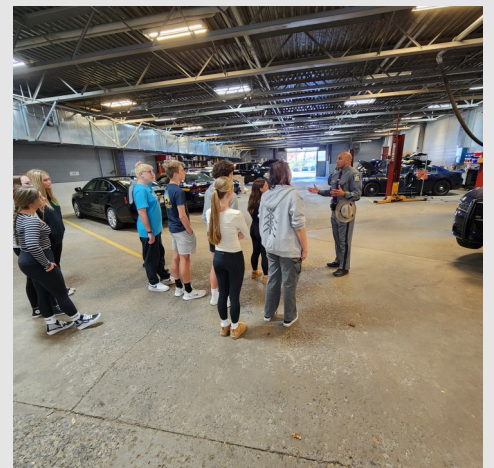
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**S.R.  
Sloan  
Inc.**



## New York State Police



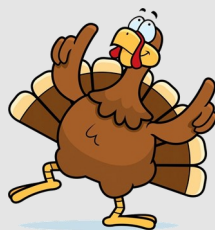


# Congratulations!!!



*Congrats to the Oriskany/Westmo Varsity Cheerleading Team on their fourth consecutive fall season Section III Championship!*

The girls' gymnastics team flipped their way to high scores. Braylen Oehler and Arianna Kernan each earned some individual honors. Braylen was named a Level 2 All-Star, and Arianna Kernan earned an A start on Level 1 and was named to the Section 3 team to compete in March In Buffalo.



A photograph of a swing set in a park during autumn. The ground is covered in fallen leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and brown. The background shows trees with similar foliage and a bright, hazy sky. The text "Hello November" is written in a cursive font across the upper part of the image.

*Hello  
November*

**Banana Pudding Month**

**Beard Month**

**National Gratitude Month**

**National Family Literacy Month**

**National Native American Heritage Month**

**Picture Book Month**