

Superintendent Report

May 12, 2025



The purpose of the Superintendent Report is to give the Board a high-level overview of the amazing things going on across the district.

School Lunch Hero Day

May 2

Thank You,
OSD School Nutrition Team!



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May 2 was National School Lunch Hero Day! 💪🍌🍎

Our School Nutrition Team has the amazing superpower of creating healthy meals for students each day, and today we celebrate you! 🥳👏

We appreciate you and are very thankful for all you do! ❤️

School Nurse
Day

May 7



**Thank You,
School Nurses!**



Nurse Alycia



Nurse Becky



Nurse Jamie

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👩‍⚕️ May 7 was School Nurse Day! 👩‍⚕️

We want to express our appreciation and gratitude to our amazing OSD nurses who care for our students each day. We appreciate you!

We'd also like to give a special thanks to all of our Health Paras who work in our school health offices! ❤️

Educator Appreciation Week

May 5-9

Thank You, OSD Educators!

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Last week was Educator Appreciation Week and we had many fantastic things going on throughout the district! 🥳👏

A special thanks to our Parent Teacher Organizations and the many families who wrote special notes of thanks to their students' educators.

We are so thankful for our amazing OSD staff who goes above and beyond for kids each and every day. You are important guides who help our students along their journey to our Portrait of a Graduate.

We truly appreciate you! ❤️

District Art Show



The Oregon High School Art Gallery was buzzing with activity at the recent District Art Show. It was a lovely event, and a joy to watch students from across the district pick up their art show certificate of participation and then guide their families through the gallery to admire the beautiful student art.

We are especially grateful to our district art educators who helped to make this event a great experience for students and families!

NKE 1st Grade Raptor Visit



First graders at Netherwood Knoll Elementary recently had some feathered friends join them. Dianne Moller from Hoo's Woods Raptor Center stopped by with some incredible guests: Blinky and Ted the Screech Owls, Dandelion the Broad-winged Hawk, and Clark the Barred Owl. 🦉

Our students have been learning all about birds, so seeing these amazing raptors up close was a truly memorable experience that brought their lessons to flight! A big thank you to Hoo's Woods for bringing learning to life! ✨

FES & RCI Wax Museum



Fifth grade students at both Forest Edge Elementary and Rome Corners Intermediate recently showcased their learning with a Wax Museum! 🌟

Students conducted research on a historical figure of interest and brought their learning to life by displaying posters, artifacts, and even dressing up as the their selected subject.

Thanks to our educators for offering this engaging learning activity and to our students for fully embracing the event!

OMS Students Visit UW Data Center



A group of enthusiastic students from Oregon Middle School had an incredible opportunity to visit the UW Data Center. They were able to tour the facility and witness firsthand the exciting real-world applications of technology, math, and science in action!

Special thanks to one of our own OMS mentors for helping to arrange this impactful learning opportunity.

OMS Urban Challenge



It was a beautiful day for our Oregon Middle School 7th grade students from the 7-0 team who recently participated in an "Urban Challenge," a scavenger hunt across downtown Madison.

Working collaboratively in teams, the students were responsible for planning their routes around the city, choosing a spot for lunch, and successfully completing challenges at various locations. Some of the challenge locations included the Veterans Museum, the State Capitol, a local food pantry, Memorial Union, and Hilldale Mall, among others! They utilized Madison Metro for transportation, and some impressive teams recorded over five miles of walking throughout the day.

It was truly a valuable day for our students to learn important life skills and gain practical experience in teamwork.

A sincere thank you goes out to our dedicated 7-O educators for their thoughtful planning of this engaging learning opportunity, as well as to our wonderful chaperones who played a crucial role in making the day a success.

OMS & OHS German Competition



Congratulations to our German students from OHS and OMS who recently traveled to UW Madison's annual German Day competition.

They competed in a wide variety of events, such as poetry, spelling, pictionary, charades, skit, poster, and meme. Our students performed very well and we couldn't be more proud of them!

Thanks to Frau Wochenske and Frau Aldrich for offering this amazing opportunity to our students!

Spring Has Sprung in the OSD!



🌱 Spring has Sprung in the OSD! 🌱

Our OMS & OHS school greenhouses are blooming with vibrant colors as students engage in hands-on learning activities that underscore the importance of the sciences and the vital role native plants play in our environment. Throughout the spring season, our students are involved in every stage of the process, from the initial planting of seeds and their ongoing care to witnessing their beautiful growth.

These valuable learning experiences extend beyond the classroom and provide tangible benefits to our community. For example, students will be planting native species in the OMS school forest, collaborating with Oregon Rotary members to plant seedlings in Lerner Park, hosting the beloved annual OHS plant sale, and making contributions to local food pantries, among other efforts.

We deeply appreciate the dedication of our OMS and OHS educators who create and facilitate these meaningful hands-on learning opportunities for our students. What's important to note is that this learning is part of a thoughtful progression, and we'll see more of these amazing experiences to be highlighted in the coming weeks!

OHS Multicultural Dance Show



Oregon High School recently hosted its inaugural Multicultural Show, a vibrant event that proudly showcased the talents of our own OHS students alongside students from the Madison Metropolitan School District.

The show was a beautiful celebration of cultural heritage, featuring performances ranging from the graceful movements of Folklorico to the energetic rhythms of Cumbia, Merengue, Banda, and other genres. It was heartwarming to witness students sharing the joy passed down through generations via music and dance, with some taking the stage for the very first time and others drawing upon years of experience.

We were also delighted to welcome multilingual students from Prairie View Elementary, who were visibly excited to see their cultures represented. One enthusiastic first grader exclaimed to their teacher, "I know all these songs!" The young students were clearly inspired and felt a strong connection to their heritage. The event reached a joyful peak when the elementary students joined the dancers on stage for an impromptu dance lesson.

We extend our sincere gratitude to our wonderful staff members who organized this impactful and enriching experience for our students.

OHS German Class Makes May Baskets

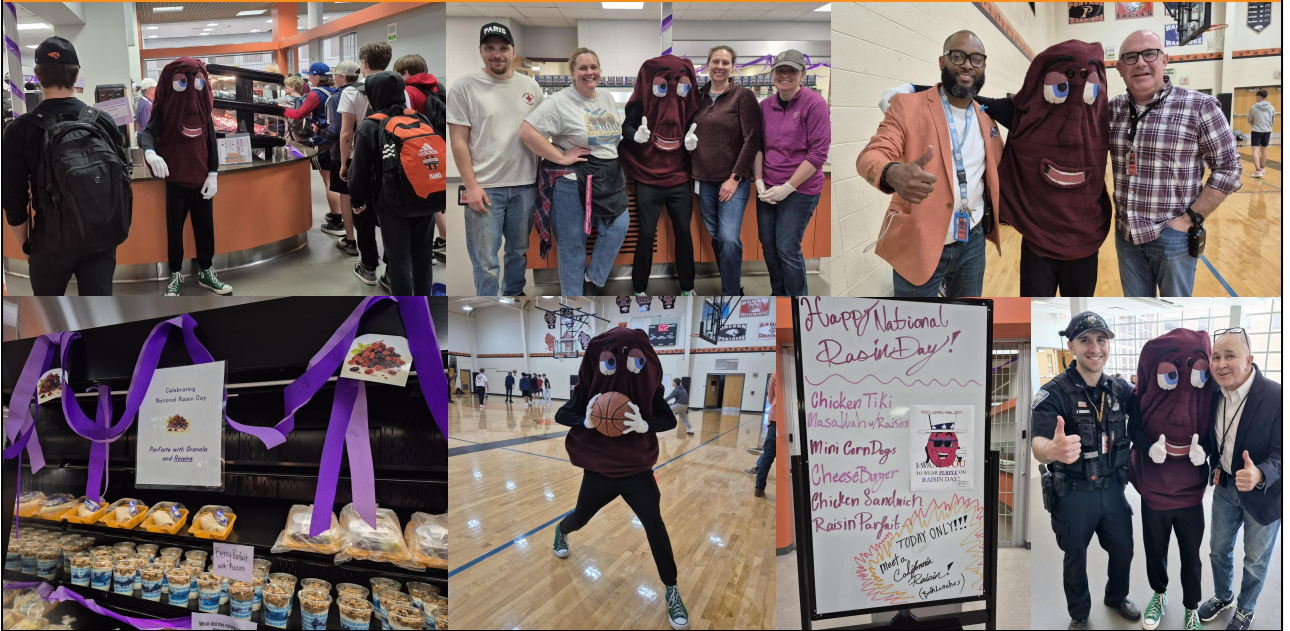


Mai ist gesprungen: (pronounced “my - is - ge - sprungen”)

Students in OHS German classes took a little time to brighten others' day with the start of May.

They created May baskets to give to others in their lives.

OHS Celebrates Raisin Day



Who knew that there is a National Raisin Day today? Calvin, an OHS student, sure did and proceeded to organize a fantastic lunchtime celebration!

Calvin worked with our School Nutrition team to create a special raisin-themed menu and orchestrated a LIVE WALKING RAISIN to greet students in the cafeteria and inspire a little fun during lunch time. 😊

A special thanks to Calvin for the great idea and to our School Nutrition Team for embracing this opportunity and making this fun and flavorful celebration possible.

OHS Social Studies Class Welcomes Veterans



The OHS Social Studies Department was honored to recently welcome six Vietnam War Veterans to Oregon High School! ❤️💙💜

Students in our freshman class had the incredible opportunity to learn firsthand about this important period in history as part of their Vietnam War studies. This year was particularly special as students met a female veteran who served as a nurse during the war.

A huge thank you to the visiting Veterans for sharing their experiences and enriching our students' understanding of the narrative that we are constructing in class.

Charlotte Jerney
Dan Bartells
Chuck Hoffman
Fred Enfield
Dennis Fischer
Keith Poddall

The Social Studies Department and our entire school community deeply appreciate your service and your dedication to educating the next generation!

OHS Math Team is One of Top in State



Congratulations to the OHS Math Team, who recently earned second place in the Wisconsin State Math Competition. 🙌 The team competed in the class AA category, which includes the largest schools. Only six points separated OHS from the first place title, which was held by Madison Memorial. We are so proud of our mathematicians:

- 🏆 Brady Bartlett
- 🏆 Jacsyn Disrud
- 🏆 Ryan Fahey
- 🏆 Jack Khalil
- 🏆 Westin Kipp
- 🏆 Owen McKee
- 🏆 Winter Wokasch
- 🏆 Diego Wooldridge

In addition to this amazing team achievement, Owen McKee received the top individual score in the state! Both Owen and Jacsyn Disrud were named to the First Team (an award given to the top five scorers in the state), and Ryan Fahey was named to the Second team (an honor bestowed upon the next five scorers in the state).

Many thanks to Mr. Ebert for coaching this amazing team. ❤️❤️

Wisconsin Civics Games State Finals



Congratulations to OHS students, Ryan Fahey and Colin Nettesheim, who competed in the State Finals Wisconsin Civics Games competition! We are so proud of you!

A special thanks to Mr. Wiegman for supporting and helping our students prepare for this important moment.

OHS Top Scholars



Congratulations to our Top Scholars from Oregon High School!

Each year, the Badger Conference Top Scholars program recognizes each school's top senior scholars for their academic accomplishments.

Top Scholars receive a plaque recognizing their accomplishments, hard work, and dedication.

We are so proud of you! 🧡💜

Youth Apprentice Spotlights

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

Spotlight



Olive - OHS Junior

Olive is exploring the **Healthcare** career pathway and gaining hands-on skills working as a **Certified Nursing Assistant** at SSM - St. Mary's Hospital.

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We have three Youth Apprenticeship Spotlights tonight - the first is Olive, who is working as a Certified Nursing Assistant at SSM - St. Mary's Hospital

Courses that have led up to this capstone experience include: Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry, and Biology. Olive also has CNA, RQI and CPR certifications.

Youth Apprentice Spotlight

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP *Spotlight*



Peyton is exploring the
Architecture and Construction
career pathway and gaining
hands-on skills working as a
Carpentry Youth Apprentice at
Tri-North!

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The next spotlight is on Peyton, who is working as a Carpentry Apprentice at Tri North

To prepare for this opportunity, Peyton has taken Wood and Advanced Wood Manufacturing. Peyton is also pursuing OSHA and first aid certifications.

Youth Apprentice Spotlight

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

Spotlight



Ian is exploring the
Architecture and Construction
career pathway and gaining
hands-on skills working as a
Youth Apprentice Plumbing at
Dave Jones!

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Finally, Ian is working as a Plumbing Apprentice at Dave Jones.

Courses that have prepared Ian for this experience include: Metal Technology, Wood Manufacturing, Welding, and Construction Exploration. Ian also has an OSHA 30 certification.

Sophomores or juniors who are interested youth apprentice options should contact their school counselor and Ms. D'Amelio, our School to Career Coordinator to learn more.

There is also information about this program and others on our website:

▶ OHS Career Based Experiences:

<https://ohs.oregonsd.org/academics/school-to-career>

▶ OSD Portrait of a Graduate:

<https://www.oregonsd.org/district/vision-and-strategic-plan>

Remember to
Tune In to the
OSD Podcast!



Make sure to check out our podcast: Inside the OSD! You can find all episodes at OregonSD.org/podcast, and anywhere you get your podcasts. Our most recent episode was with a great group of OHS seniors who will be pursuing athletics after high school. You'll hear about how they got to where they are now in areas of golf, wrestling, softball, swimming, and fishing!

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