Ocean View School District

Board Connections

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February 10, 2026

Elementary School Presentation: Star View



Star View Principal Jeanne Bentley, alongside teacher Erin Powell, highlighted how the arts strengthen Universal Design for Learning across the campus. Throughout the day, students engage in hands-on, arts-integrated learning in classrooms. Examples include capturing character emotions through storyboards, investigating geometry and patterns, designing scaled planetary models, building energy-converting devices, and creating 3D sculptures. The school's strong sense of community is evident during weekly Flag Celebrations, where students share performances, deliver persuasive speeches, and families are welcomed by the SDC coffee cart, a student-run business. Universal Design for Learning remains at the center—ensuring students can engage, create, and demonstrate understanding in meaningful and varied ways.



Board Honored By Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club of Huntington Valley presented the OVSD Board of Trustees with the Blue Door Community Partnership Award. Earlier this school year, the Boys & Girls Club announced this honor, recognizing the strength of our partnership and the impact we make together for students. Strong partnerships empower youth and create opportunities for success. We are proud to stand alongside an organization that shares our deep commitment to kids, equity, and opportunity. Strong partnerships build strong futures.

OVSD Service Dogs



Ocean View School District has partnered with Guide Dogs of America for nine years, resulting in 22 guide dogs trained and countless lives impacted. Through this unique program, staff members help raise and train future service dogs while students develop empathy and responsibility. Several of the District's puppies were recognized. In attendance were Yoda, Tater, and the newest pup, Clover, from Hope View; Tango from Village View; and Frankie, joined by a Marine View/Hope View alumnus. Tali from Golden View and Josie from Hope View were unable to attend.

Governor's Proposed Budget Update

Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services Keith Farrow presented the Governor's Proposed Budget Update, highlighting key components of the State's financial outlook and their impact on OVSD. His presentation reviewed updated COLA projections, the District's unrestricted multi-year financial projections, and proposed funding through a new discretionary block grant. He also highlighted continued funding for the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP) and provided an overview of the State budget timeline and next steps for districts. The full presentation may be found here.

District Civics Instruction

Curriculum Specialist Lori Manz presented an update on the District Civics Instruction, outlining OVSD's comprehensive approach to cultivating civic-minded students. The presentation highlighted the District's "Civic Journey from Classroom to Community," detailing how civic learning progresses from belonging and understanding roles in TK–K, to following rules and understanding government and economics in grades 1–2, to studying the Constitution and structures of government in grades 3–5, and engaging in civic action and discourse in grades 6–8. The presentation also emphasized supportive state frameworks and standards, student development of civic dispositions, and pathways leading to the Seal of Civic Engagement. The entire presentation may be viewed here.

Next Board Meeting is Tuesday, February 24, 2026