



**Oriskany Jr./Sr. High  
School  
Newsletter**  
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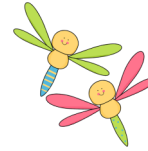


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# Principal's Message



Dear Students, Parents, and Community Members,

I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable spring break, and was able to take advantage of the warmer weather before the recent return of colder temperatures. As we head into the final stretch of the school year, activity across the Jr./Sr. High School continues to pick up. The fourth marking period is now underway, and our academic schedule is moving at a steady pace. Our 7th and 8th grade students have successfully completed the NYS ELA, Math, and Science assessments, and Advanced Placement exams will take place from May 4 through May 12 for some of our high school students. It continues to be impressive to see both the level of academic opportunity available at Oriskany and the commitment our students demonstrate in meeting those expectations.

Looking ahead, Regents exams will begin on June 9th at the Jr./Sr. High School. We encourage all students to make use of the extra help sessions offered during 10th period from 2:30–3:00 PM as they prepare for these important exams.

Outside the classroom, our spring sports season is well underway, with students participating in golf, baseball, softball, outdoor track and field, and flag football. We invite you to come out and support our student-athletes whenever you can. Game schedules are available on the school website. In addition, there are several upcoming events for the Oriskany community to enjoy, including spring concerts, scholarship award ceremonies, the Prom Grand March, and our art and technology show, which will take place during the School Budget Vote on May 19th.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our students, staff and school!

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Sincerely,

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





# DATES TO REMEMBER



## May...

2nd- PROM 7-11pm at Woods Valley

10th- Mother's Day

11th- Budget Hearing @ 5:30pm

14th- Jr./Sr. Spring Concert @ 7:00pm

15th- Progress Reports go home

16th- Armed Forces Day

19th- School Budget Vote and BOE Election—12:00 to 8:00pm

District Art/Technology Show—5:00-7:00pm

Elementary School Band Concert—7:00 pm

22nd- Snow Give Back Day—NO SCHOOL

25th- Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL

26th- Snow Give Back Day—NO SCHOOL

29th- TATF Blood Drive



## MAY 19th





**Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES**  
**Career and Technical Education**  
**HONOR ROLL**  
**3rd Marking Period 2025-2026**

**HIGH HONOR 90-100**

Darcie Klein, Alexis Roman, Savanah Schultz, Brent Tinney, Edward Wright

**HONOR ROLL 85-89**

Angela Ajiataz, Kaylee Corey, Tayton Kimball, Darien McGallian, Josephine Melvin,  
Cameron Post

**HONORABLE MENTION 80-84**

Jessica Beckwith, Tara Calderon, Emma Combs, Ryan Kilmartin, Jayden Stapleton,  
Elizabeth(Wilbur) Wright





## Oriskany Central School's Third Marking Period Honor Roll 2025-2026

### Highest Honor Roll: 94.5-100.0

Grade 12: Alexia Birt, Corinne Looney, Edward Wright

Grade 11: Alexis Roman, Ashley Zyskowski

Grade 10: Lilliana Ciotti, Nicholas Citriniti, Audrina Gulisano, Landon Volz

Grade 9: Gavin Bronk, Isabella Hart

Grade 8: Carter Charles, Tanner Koons, Vito LoCaccio, Nolan Opperman, Liam Tylutki,

Grade 7: Lucas Boyko, Portia Gu, Kali Kraeger, Camille Looney, Ralph Petronella III, Jayden Schultz, Parker Volz

### High Honor Roll: 89.50-94.49

Grade 12: Nadia Chmut, Matthew Dibble, Brayden LaGasse, Gabryella Manella, Jayson Mayo, Braelyn Oehler, Savannah Schultz

Grade 11: Danica Dame, Lance Smith III

Grade 10: Jewels Bewick, Robert Duff Jr., Troy Gu, Chase Larson, Kaelyn Mayo, Collin Opperman, Madeline Powers, Donte Wolcott

Grade 9: Caroline Gulick, Lilly O'Dell, Victoria Reyes

Grade 8: Kaitlyn Butenhoff, Landon Christopher, Matthew Dousharm, Vanessa Fleegeer, JunoMarie French, Olivia Petronella, Samuel Sperling, Caysen Stapleton, Aaliyah Zurek

Grade 7: Annika Detrick, Elijah Dyer, Wyatt Fairbrother, Catherine Kent, Liam Murphy, MagnoLeea Worn

### Honor Roll: 84.00-89.49

Grade 12: Angela Ajiataz, Jessica Beckwith, Bryana Manella, Josephine Melvin, Cameron Post, Elizabeth Wright,

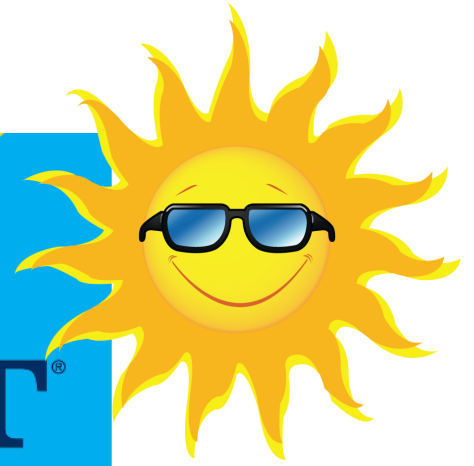
Grade 11: Peyton Buehler, Kaylee Corey, Charles Golden, Tayton Kimball, Darcie Klein, Daniel Kosakowski, Matthew LoCash, Brynne Russum, Brent Tinney

Grade 10: Ashlynn Andrews, Lauren Burlingame, Gianna Detrick, Nathan Gulisano, Colton Huey, Kirill Kasperovich, Nicholas Koenig, McKenzie Kronafel, Mia Shwamle, KhaiLee Worn

Grade 9: Peyton Dame, Sophia Judycki, Jacob Kent, Cohen Kraeger, Camryn LoRusso, Ceci Piersma, Emily Poissant, Jason Reyes

Grade 8: Brayden Anderson, Khilee Camerota, Audrianna Granato, Laila Greenfield, Zoey Jacobs, Greyson Ruiz, Emma Stewart, Taren Urtz, Brylie VanVechten

Grade 7: Jace Bewick, Allie Citriniti, James Conroy, Autumn Davis, Cole Larson, Quintin LoRusso, August Magnanti, Ryan Murphy, Jace Phillips, Penelope Russum, Irelynn Sanger, Victoria Walker, Robert West, Avery Wilson



### SAT Test Dates & Deadlines

SAT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
June 6, 2026	May 22, 2026	May 26, 2026



### ACT Test Dates & Deadlines

ACT Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
June 13, 2026	May 8, 2026	May 29, 2026



**ROCK  
THE  
TEST**





## From the School Nurses...



Dear Parents/Guardians of our Oriskany Students,

We will be sending out important information regarding physicals and vaccinations needed for the 2026-2027 school year.

### Physicals

Students entering 7th, 9th and 11th grades, and any student who plans on participating in fall sports will need to complete Physical forms. Physical & Sports Forms can also be found on our Oriskany homepage under nursing.

### Vaccinations

Students entering 7th and 12th grades will need to have their Meningitis vaccine completed prior to entering the first day of school. Students that have not received their vaccination by the first day of school will be contacted to request a specific date for their scheduled vaccination. By the 14th day of school proof of vaccination must be provided or the student will not be allowed to attend school on the 15th day. Students who transfer in from out-of-state have up to 30 days to receive this vaccination.

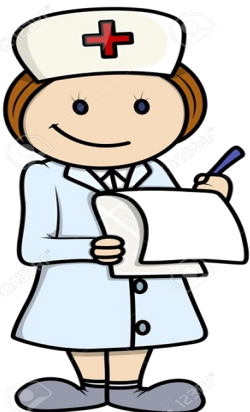
Vaccinations can either be provided by your child(s) health care provider or by Oneida County Department of Health. They can be reached at 315-798-5747. Appointments are necessary because certain vaccinations are only given on certain days.

### Medication Pick Up

Students that have medications located in the nurse's office will need to have a parent pick them up by 2:30 on June 25th, 2026. Any medication remaining in the nurse's office will be properly disposed of.


Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns between the hours of 8:00am and 2:30 pm Monday- Friday up to June 25th, 2026. My office number is 315-768-2061.

Thank you,  
Maryruth Stopera, BA, RN  
MStopera@OriskanyCSD.org  
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# Spring Concert

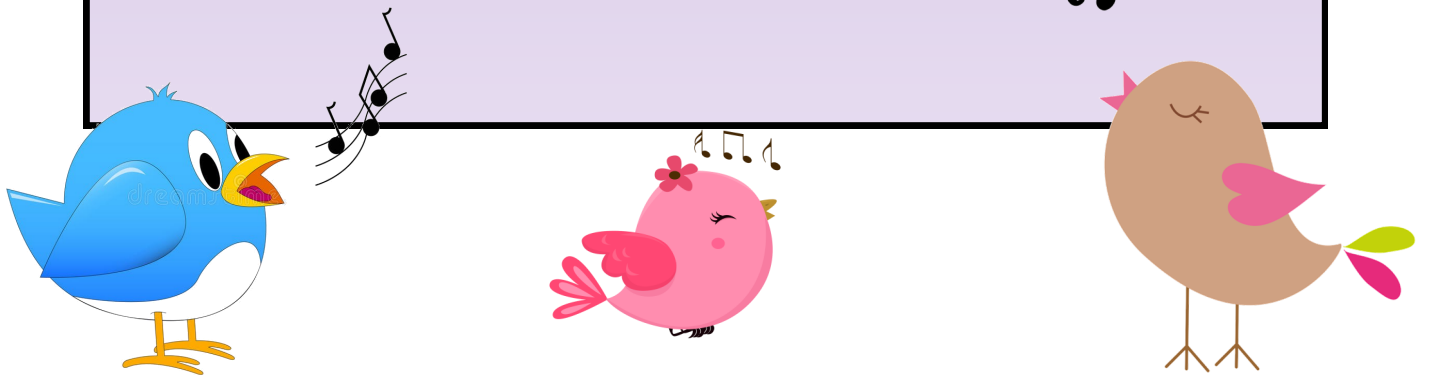



**May 14, 2026**

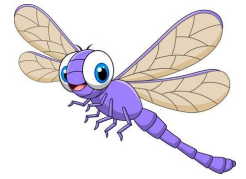
***Jr./Sr. High School Band & Chorus***

**7:00pm**

***At the Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium***



# This Happened...



## Elevating Student Voices



On April 22nd Elevating Student Voices went to Hart's Hill Inn, along with other participating districts, to showcase an action they took in their school. At the summit participants heard from keynote speaker Dr. Diane Wynne (executive director of NYSED Office of DEI), received a delicious lunch and sat through a Q & A panel comprised of student leaders from Whitesboro, VVS and OHM BOCES as well as community leaders from the Indium Corporation, Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency and The Neighborhood Center.



# This Happened...



## 8th Graders Ace Mock Interviews with High School Finance Students

Recently, Mrs. Cortese's 8th-grade Home and Careers class teamed up with Mrs. Musacchio's high school Personal Finance students for an exciting, real-world learning experience: mock job interviews.

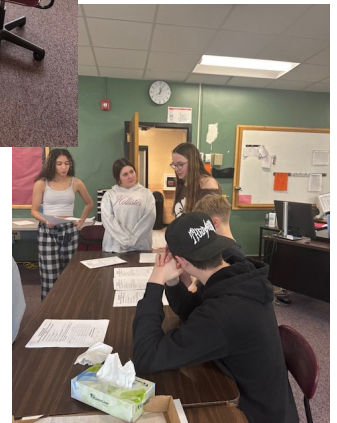
When the 8th graders arrived, they were seated in a designated waiting room to await their turn, giving them a genuine taste of professional pre-interview jitters. Despite the nervous energy buzzing in the room, the middle schoolers stepped up to the plate and absolutely knocked it out of the park! During their sessions, they were challenged by the older students to answer five of the most common job interview questions, showcasing their preparation and communication skills.

After the interviews concluded, the high school students convened as a professional interview committee to deliberate and select the strongest candidates for the "job."

A huge congratulations to our top three candidates, who each earned a gift card for their outstanding performance:

- **Juno French**
- **Carter Charles**
- **Sam Sperling**

Great job to all the students!!



# This Happened...



On April 15th ESV held their second "Boards + Bites" gathering to provide both students and faculty the opportunity to get together in a relaxed, non instructional, environment. Student leaders prepared their very own charcuterie "boards" (pictured) and students/faculty in attendance ate and played games like TACO CAT, Spoons, Trash and UNO. As laughs were laughed, smiles were smiled and food was eaten, they shared some valuable time cultivating and strengthening their relationships with one another.



# This Happened...



## NYS Canal Clean Sweep

On April 17, 2026 Science club & the golf team participated in the annual NYS Canal Clean Sweep at the Oriskany Canal Trail. A total of 18 volunteers participated in the after school event yielding 3 bags of trash, 2 tires, a sled, a car seat, an umbrella, and many cans and bottles. The annual clean up is sponsored by the NYS Canal Corporation and Parks & Trails NY. Over 140 clean up events took place over the weekend to prepare for Earth Day. Thanks to all who participated this year! #OriskanyProud

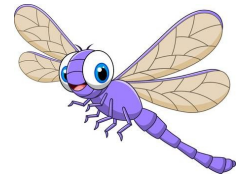


## Key Club

Members of Key Club volunteered their time on Sunday, April 19th to assist local senior citizens clean-up their yards. The senior citizens greatly appreciated the students for supporting the community and helping those in need.



# This Happened...



## Oriskany Student Council Bingo

The numbers were called, the chips were placed, and the competition was fierce! On March 31st, the Oriskany Student Council hosted an incredibly successful after-school BINGO event in Mrs. Cortese's room, bringing together students for an afternoon of games, snacks, and friendly rivalry.

The event, which was completely free for any 7th through 9th grader to attend, drew a fantastic crowd. Almost 20 students packed into the classroom, eager to test their luck.

To keep the energy high and the focus sharp, the Student Council provided a variety of free snacks, including bags of chips and candy prizes, which students enjoyed as they carefully scanned their boards.

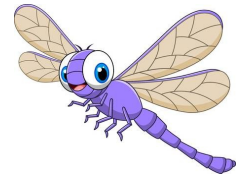
While the atmosphere was certainly competitive—with students laser-focused on getting that five-in-a-row—the room was also filled with laughter and tons of fun. It proved to be the perfect way for the junior high students to unwind and socialize after a long school day.



Following the overwhelming success and excellent turnout of the afternoon, the Oriskany Student Council is already looking ahead. The council extends a huge thank you to everyone who showed up to play, and they absolutely cannot wait to host their next event!



# This Happened...



## Cupcake Decorating

Seventh grade Home and Career students in Mrs. Cortese's class recently put their baking skills to the test with a fun cupcake project. Students spent one class period carefully measuring and preparing their batter before baking their cupcakes. The following day, they used ziplock bags as piping tools to practice decorating techniques. The results were both creative and delicious, showcasing students' growing confidence in the kitchen!



# MAY..

**American Cheese Month**

**Creative Beginnings Month**

**Gifts From the Garden Month**

**Military Appreciation Month**

**National Family Month**

**National Photo Month**

**National Smile Month**

## **Did You Know...**

**May 11th- Hostess Cupcake Day**

**May 15th- International Day of Families**

**National Chocolate Chip Day**

**May 18th- Visit Your Relatives Day**

**May 20th- World Bee Day**

**May 22nd- Sherlock Holmes Day**

**May 28th- National Hamburger Day**

**May 30th- National Creativity Day**