



Oyster River High School News

March 29, 2024

Hello Parents & Guardians,

Below in the grade level section, you'll see information about when each class will have a presentation by Officer Nicolosi on Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC). We held a parent ICAC presentation in February. The version we are presenting is made for high school age students. While the effects of social media and the dangers lurking on many platforms are not easy to talk about, they are important to be aware of. Our students spend a large percentage of their days on various sites giving and receiving information. At our Hate Speech parent forum in November, bringing ICAC in for these presentations was part of our plan to combat misinformation and negative social media. We also want to arm our students with knowledge of what to look out for when they are online. If you do not want your student to attend the presentation, please call the main office. If you have any questions, call any member of the administration or Officer Nicolosi. We would be happy to talk with you.

Have a great weekend!
Rebecca

New

All Students

To purchase a yearbook, go to: www.yearbookforever.com Type in Oyster River and then choose Oyster River as your school. Click on "Yearbook". From here, you can make choices on any extras (or not) and purchase your yearbook.

FIRST Robotics has their tournament at UNH on Friday and Saturday, March 29 & 30th. You can have tours of the pits and watch the robots in action!

This semester the Community Dinner is April 11, 2024, from 5:00pm-6:30pm. Sing up here!
<https://forms.office.com/r/AmpkPT3M3L> [FLIER](#)

April 8th we will have a College Fair at the high school with over 100 colleges represented. All students will have an opportunity to attend the fair. Here is a link to preview the colleges & universities: [Check it out](#)

From the DEI Director: I will be hosting an upcoming support space for parents and caregivers of LGBTQ+ youth called "Inclusive Connections." This will be an opportunity for

district parents and caregivers to be in community and discussion with others navigating the journey of raising LGBTQ+ youth as well as a chance to meet and connect. The space will be held on Monday, April 15th from 6pm-7:30pm in the HS Library with light refreshments served. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact Rachael Blansett at rblansett@orcscsd.org [FLIER](#)

Parents of Seniors

Seniors will have a presentation by Officer Nicolosi on Monday, 4/1, during Advisory based on Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) presentation in February. This is a presentation adapted for high school students. It helps students understand where the dangers are online and how to avoid them.

April 3rd is the SAT/PSAT day for Juniors and Sophomores. Seniors do **not** need to be in school. They can study, check out a college they are interested in, or do community service etc.

****CLASS OF 2024 PROJECT GRADUATION SAVE THE DATE ****

DATE: Friday, June 7th

CHECK IN: 9:00pm-10:00pm ARRIVAL, CHECK-IN & DINNER!!

CHECK IN LOCATION: SOMEWHERE IN DURHAM - Exact location Will be revealed the morning of graduation

****IMPORTANT** - Turnaround between graduation to check-in is always VERY tight.

- PLEASE DO NOT schedule a family dinner out or your child will miss check-in and buses.
- We are serving a full "ORHS Teen Fan-Fave" meal during check-in.

Registration window & more details coming in time. [What's Project Graduation? Read More!](#)

They missed DC in 2020 but won't want to miss this! We have planned an AMAZING night for our kids! So PLEASE save the whole evening/night/early morning on June 7 & 8 for this!



PROJECT GRADUATION PARTY

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CELEBRATE YOUR SENIOR & HELP FUND THE BEST END TO ORHS POSSIBLE!!

BUY YOUR SENIOR YARD SIGNS!

Show everyone how proud you are! Senior yard signs support both Project Graduation and senior class activities! **ON SALE ONLY BETWEEN Monday, March 11 - Sunday, March 31.** Pick up will be in Durham in the end of April. Exact dates TBA.

BUY HERE Starting March 11 - <https://signsunleashed.com/oyster>

PG ONLINE SILENT AUCTION!

Also Monday, March 11 through Sunday, March 31

Head over to the [Class of 2024 Facebook Parent Facebook Page](#) to bid and stay informed about everything you need to know during your senior's last semester!).

Browse the selection of donations from local businesses, including gift certificates to Sweetened Memories, Atlantic Grill, Jimmy Jay's Blues and Jazz Club, Take Five DogCare, Nippo Lake Golf Course, and more! Place the top bid before the auction closes and you win!

This is one of the last opportunities you have to support [Project Graduation](#) this year AND to get something back for your donation! Questions? Contact Stefanie Griffin: stefbrett@gmail.com

Parents of Juniors

Juniors will have a presentation by Officer Nicolosi on Friday, 4/12, during Advisory based on Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) presentation in February. This is a presentation adapted for high school students. It helps students understand where the dangers are online and how to avoid them.

Juniors will be taking the SAT on Wednesday, 4/3. Please have them here by 8:00 am with a charged school computer and their charger. If you want your student to opt out of the test, please contact Shannon Caron, scaron@orcscd.org for the opt out form.

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CALLING ALL PARENTS OF ORHS JUNIORS!

It's our turn to help with this year's Project Graduation!

WHAT is it? Project Graduation provides a safe, substance-free celebration for the entire graduating ORHS class each year.

Learn More: <https://oralumni.org/orhs-project-graduation>

WHEN is Project Graduation? June 7th at 8pm -June 8th at 7am

We need a little help this June so that others will do it for us next year!

- Junior Class parents continue the long tradition of chaperoning the new graduates all night so Senior parents can have the night off after attending graduation.
- Junior parents **only** chaperone the event. Senior parents did the rest already!
- Volunteers can sign up for all or part of the overnight.
- The location(s) are **top-secret** until June 7th but will start and end in Durham. It takes many Junior parents to pull off the amazing event the Senior parents have planned.

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4BA5A723A7FE3-48479597-junior#/> Thank you! Questions? Please email Amy Sterndale at asterndale@gmail.com.

Did you miss the Junior College Night? Check out these resources from Granite Edvance:

[AdmissionsInsider-Web.pdf \(graniteedvance.org\)](#)

[Apply to College - Granite Edvance](#)

[Granite Edvance - YouTube](#)

Registration for Destination College is now open for high school juniors and their parents/guardians!

Destination College is a free college planning event, including keynote speakers, workshops, and a college fair.

DATE: April 6, 2024 from 12:00pm - 5:00pm

LOCATION: Saint Anselm College

REGISTRATION: Required. Click here GraniteEdvance.org/dc for more information and to register.

[Destination College Flier](#)

Parents of Sophomores

Sophomores will have a presentation by Officer Nicolosi on Tuesday, 4/16, during Advisory based on Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) presentation in February. This is a presentation adapted for high school students. It helps students understand where the dangers are online and how to avoid them.

Sophomores will be taking the PSAT on Wednesday, 4/3. Please have them here by 8:00am with a charged school computer and their charger. If want to opt your student out of the test, please contact Shannon Caron, scaron@orcsd.org

Parents of Freshman

Freshmen will have a presentation by Officer Nicolosi on Monday, 4/8, during Advisory based on Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) presentation in February. This is a presentation adapted for high school students. It helps students understand where the dangers are online and how to avoid them.

April 3rd is SAT/PSAT for Juniors & Sophomores. There is special programming planned for freshmen. We'll send that schedule out soon. It will be an early release day, 1:00 pm for buses.

Important Dates

March 29, 30	FIRST Robotics UNH
April 3	PSAT- 10 th grade, SAT -11 th grade
April 5	End of Quarter 3
April 8	Early Release AND College FAIR
April 10	SAT make up
April 15	Report Cards
April 22-26	April vacation
May 6-10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 16	Underclassmen Awards

Athletic Features

Athletic Schedule: [Week of 4-1.pdf](#)

Monday 4/1 is NHIAA/NHADA Senior Scholar Athletes Awards Ceremony at 11:00 AM in Concord. Recipients of the award have been notified and will be in attendance.

SAU Features

WMUR Visits ORCSD Schools

On Tuesday, March 19, WMUR Meteorologist Matt Hoenig visited Mast Way School's 3rd grade students and on Wednesday, March 27, WMUR News Reporter Kelly O'Brien visited Oyster River Middle School 8th grade students to capture a presentation given by University of New Hampshire (UNH) Associate Professor Amy Keesee about the April 8 solar eclipse.

Moharimet School Spring Musical: Finding Nemo Jr.

Join us for Moharimet's 4th grade spring musical on Thursday, April 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m., at the Oyster River High School Auditorium (55 Coe Dr, Durham, NH 03824). Open seating, no tickets required.

E-Waste Collection April 8-19

ORCSD schools will be collecting electrical and electronic waste (e-waste) between April 8-19. A list of eligible items will be provided next week. Details about drop-off locations and a list of eligible items may be [viewed here](#).

Mast Way Spring Musical: Willy Wonka Jr.

Join us for Mast Way's 3rd and 4th grade spring musical on Thursday, April 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the Oyster River High School Auditorium ([55 Coe Dr, Durham, NH 03824](#)). Open seating, no tickets required.

ORCSD April 11 Community Dinner

The ORCSD Sustainability Committee will be hosting a community dinner on Thursday, April 11, at the Oyster River High School. The dinner will be followed by a musical performance of Mast Way students in the auditorium. **Dinner cost:** \$10 per adult or \$25 per family (a family includes up to 2 adults and children living within the same household). Kindly [RSVP here by Tuesday April 9](#).

Moharimet Pancake Breakfast April 13

Join us for Moharimet's 20th edition of its famous Pancake Breakfast this coming April 13, 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. **Suggested donations:** \$6 per person or \$20 per family. At Moharimet School ([11 Lee Rd, Madbury, NH 03823](#)). No RSVP required.

Reduced Plastic Lunch Day April 16

On Tuesday, April 16, the ORCSD Sustainability Committee will be hosting a reduced plastic day and join school cafeterias across the US in a nationwide initiative to reduce single-use plastics. Our lunches will be served with limited single-use plastic foodware and packaging and students who bring their own lunch to school are invited to participate by bringing a lunch free of single-use plastic packaging. Additional information may be [found here](#).

Community Features

Weekly Features

Bobcat of the Week: Student

Grade: varies & Senior

1. The PEP band! - see below
2. I would like to nominate Mac Harmon for Bobcat of the week. During a recent incident at the school Mac stepped up to the situation, identifying himself as a Boy Scout with first aid training. He reacted quickly and responsibly to the situation to lend support to his community.

Bobcat of the Week: Staff

Subject area or position: Music Teachers

1. I'd like to nominate Marc LaForce, Sarah Kuhn, and the **Pep Band** for BOW. They were a welcome addition to the games this winter and really helped add school spirit to the games. I look forward to hearing them at future games and events. 2. We would like to nominate the Pep Band and the Music Department for coming to so many games this winter. It really made the games a ton more fun and we appreciate you!

Reminders

Next week: Blue/White/SAT & PSAT/ Blue/ White

Please remember to call or email if your student is going to be absent.
call: 603- 868-2375 Or email: ORHSAttendance@orcsd.org