

# Oyster River High School News May 3, 2024

Hello Parents & Guardians,

Today was the end of the Mental Wellness/Healthy Habits Week planned by our Student Senate. We flipped the schedule today, so FLEX and Advisory were at the end of the day and students enjoyed various activities throughout the building and outside. There was: kickball, soccer, bocce ball, nature walks, bracelet making, origami, board games, reading a book outside and much more! The kids had fun with each other while participating in activities of their choosing. There were quite a few adults who may have had a little fun also. I hope you get out this weekend and enjoy spring.



Have a great weekend! Rebecca

## New

## All Students

Teacher Appreciation week is next week! May (6-10). We are creating gift baskets for the staff to raffle off that week. If you would like to donate a gift card to go into a basket, please drop them off in the front office. All donations are appreciated!

**Yearbooks:** At this time, all the pre-ordered yearbooks have been sold. Please have your students see Mrs. VanDyke in room T206 to be placed on the waiting list. Students may only place their name on the list for one yearbook. Every year, the company does a slightly larger book run than the actual number of books ordered. The amount of the overrun varies by year. Students will receive yearbooks in the order they appear on the waitlist.

SALT (The Student Athlete Leadership Team) is hosting a Superfans BBQ on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, from 4:0-7:30 pm. We hope you will join us for some delicious food and to support our ORHS

athletic teams! We are also looking for food donations for this event. Please consider helping us make this amazing event happen. Thank you in advance for your generosity and we look forward to seeing you on the 13<sup>th</sup>.

Sign up: <u>SALT: Superfans BBQ (signupgenius.com)</u>



AP exams start on May 6, 2024. This is next week. You need to familiarize yourself with the annual AP notice to students along with the ORHS exam time/room schedule which can be found at this link: <u>https://www.orcsd.org/orhs/departments/counseling/ap-exams</u>

Prom is taking place at the Red Barn at Outlook Farms in Berwick, ME from 7-10pm on Thursday, May 23rd. Any Junior or Senior bringing an underclassmen or guest from a different school, needs to buy their ticket, and those bringing non ORHS students need to get the Guest Form from the front office. If you missed buying a ticket before vacation, see the main office! Tickets are \$50 and can be cash or a check made out to ORHS. Guest Forms are due back to the main office by May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Next week, you will receive a schedule for the rest of the quarter.

### **Parents of Seniors**

ORHS is partnering with the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Career Signing Day recognizing our graduating seniors who will be entering the workforce upon graduation. This event will celebrate our graduates and their families, along with highlighting and promoting the companies/businesses who have hired our graduates. We need your help to make this event a success once again. Please contact ELO Coordinator, Sean Peschel, via email <u>speschel@orcsd.org</u> informing him of your student's name and the company/business's name where your student will be transitioning from part-time to full-time or directly hired full-time.

From the TECH department: It is time for Seniors to find their school issued computer, case, and charger. All technology will be turned in on Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> during Graduation practice, barring special circumstances.

SENIOR WEEK SCHEDULE- June 3-7 Senior week planner

### Parents of Juniors

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Please note that scores are released in waves, meaning some student reports are posted and some students may have to check back later. Students are welcome to see their school counselor with questions.

For more information, check out:

<u>Getting Your SAT Scores - SAT Suite | College Board</u> <u>Understanding SAT Scores - SAT Suite | College Board</u> <u>Your SAT Score Explained - SAT Suite | College Board</u> <u>Getting Help with SAT Scores - SAT Suite | College Board</u>

### Parents of Sophomores

**PARKING:** Your rising Junior received an email today with the link to apply for parking next year. Please make sure they fill this out by the due date. The form does need to be filled out by the student.

The College Board has started to release scores for the school-day PSAT-10. To access score reports, students must sign into their College Board accounts. If they don't have an account, they can create one.

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For more information, check out:

Getting Your PSAT 10 Scores - SAT Suite | College Board

Understanding PSAT 10 Scores - SAT Suite | College Board

Your PSAT 10 Score Explained - SAT Suite (collegeboard.org)

Mark your Calendar: Early College and Career Planning

Tuesday, May 7th at 6pm in the ORHS Auditorium

Join an Education & Career Counselor from Granite Edvance for this informative presentation! It is never too early to start planning for high school and beyond. During this session, we'll discuss how and why to explore your interests and aptitudes- what you like and what you're good at- and how these factors contribute to your education & career path. We'll cover how to prepare for the next steps in your journey, including maximizing your time in high school. Attendees will also get a brief intro to the college application and financial aid processes. Attendees will also receive Granite Edvance's Early College & Career Planning Guide. In addition, our own Extended Learning Opportunities Coordinator, Sean Peschel, will discuss options students have through ORHS to expand their learning and career exploration through CTE, internships, and more!

### Parents of Freshman

Spring Star testing will be May 29<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>.

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# **Important Dates**

May 6-10	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 16	Underclassmen Awards
May 23	PROM
May 24	No school -Teacher Workshop Day
May 31	Break Away to VACA- for the Freshmen class
June 10-14	Final Exams
June 14	Last day of school- early release 12:10
June 17	Report Cards

# Athletic Features

#### Athletic Schedule: May 4-11

# **SAU Features**

#### May 6-10 is Teacher Appreciation Week

ORCSD educators work diligently to make sure Oyster River students have access to inspiring educational opportunities. Please consider showing your support to our teachers by sharing a compliment. You may do so by <u>clicking here</u>.

#### ORCSD Spring Concerts and Events

- May 9, 6:00 7:30 p.m.: <u>5-12th Grade Spring Orchestra Concert</u>, Oyster River Middle School Concert Hall
- May 21, 6:30 7:30 p.m: <u>High School Band/Guitar Ensemble</u>, Oyster River Middle School Concert Hall
- May 29, 6:00 7:30 p.m.: <u>Band-a-Palooza</u>, Oyster River Middle School Athletic Field
- May 30, 5:30 7:00 p.m.: Mast Way School Annual Art Show, Mast Way School
- June 3, 6:00 7:30 p.m.: <u>Middle and High School Chorus Concert</u>, Oyster River Middle School Concert Hall

#### Celebrating Superintendent Morse May 16

Join us at the Oyster River Middle School Learning Commons (1 Coe Dr, Durham, NH 03824) on May 16 to <u>celebrate Superintendent Morse</u>'s coming retirement and 12 years of dedicated service to the Oyster River community. The reception starts at 4:00 p.m. and the ceremony runs 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. No RSVP required. Light refreshments will be served. View the <u>poster</u> <u>here</u>.

#### Parking Restrictions at the ORCSD District Office

Parking at the SAU and Service Building during business hours is by permit only (36 Coe Dr, Durham, NH 03824). Student drop off and pick up, including athletics, are not permitted during business hours.

# **Community Features**

#### DO YOU LIKE PIZZA?

The Oyster River/Newmarket High School Girls' Lacrosse Team is selling Domino's pizza cards as a fundraiser.

The cards sell for \$20 and will provide you with UNLIMITED Buy 1 Pizza, Get 1 FREE large pizza until 12/31/24! You can also use the cards for parties (buy 10, get 10 free)!

Please support us by purchasing, or donating, a card on our online store: Online STORE

**The Barrington Public Library** needs volunteers (Adults and students age 14 & Up) to help with our summer reading program. We need people to sign up for one (or more) 2-hour shift

each week for eight weeks. Additional hours will need to be filled for our end of summer carnival.

Duties will include checking reader logs in our online system, handing out raffle tickets and/or prizes, shelving selected items, and helping with projects at the library. Training will be held on Thursday, May 30th, 4-5pm.

You can pick up the summer volunteer application at the library. Students 14 & 15 years old also need to get working papers - please ask at the desk for a form from the Library.

# Weekly Features

Bobcat of the Week: Student

Grade: 12<sup>th</sup>

I think Liam Meredith should be Bobcat of the Week. Liam is always the first one to jump up to help with anything and consistently puts up the chairs that others don't. He always enters and leaves with a smile. He represents true Bobcat spirit to me. He truly deserves to be Bobcat of the week.

### Bobcat of the Week: Staff

Subject area or position: Speech-Language Pathologist

Emily Johnson, our speech-language pathologist, does a phenomenal job always making her students and colleagues feel like they are her priority, even when she has lots to juggle. Her professional demeanor mixed with her quick humor makes any interaction with Ms. Johnson an enjoyable one. ORHS is lucky to have someone who can stand up for her ethics and her students the way she does.

# Reminders

Next week: White/Blue/White/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