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2018-19 Olympia Highlights

OMS Boys Cross Country Team Qualified for State
 OMS Girls Cross Country Team Qualified for State
 OMS Girls Basketball Team Earned 2nd in State
 5 OMS Students Earned Judges Awards at IESA State Speech
 OMS Boys Track— 4x200, 4x400—Cohen Alexander, Rylan Peifer, Chase Litwiller, Keagan Uphoff (Logan Demling/Corbin Rios Alt) - State
 OMS Boys Track—Chase Litwiller - High Jump
 OMS Girls Track—Mia Boudeman, Jordyn Turner, Kourtney Fann, Abby Klaus - 4x100 (Raquel Birky alternate)- State
 OMS Girls Track -Sarah Cross - 6th State in Discuss
 OMS Track—Mia Boudeman - Long Jump State
 OHS Girls Track - Lyndsey Sebok- Discus - 11th State
 OHS Girls Track - 3200 meters - Savannah Beavers 16th—State
 OHS Girls Track - 800 meters - Payton Wille - State qualifier
 OHS Wrestling - Lane Miller - State qualifier
 OHS Wrestling - Wesly Litwiller - State qualifier
 OHS Boys Cross Country placed 4th at State Meet
 OHS Girls Cross Country placed 11th at State Meet
 OHS Boys Track - 3200 meters - Charlie Kistner 16th State
 OHS Boys Track - 4 x 800 meter relay (Parker Kistner, Owen Dare, Dylan Bennet, Logan Wheeler) 4th place State

OHS Softball Regional, Sectional and Super-Sectional Championship-State 4th Place Finish
 3 OHS Students Qualified for ILMEA All State Choir
 Ethan Schopp 1st place IHSA State Champion, Humorous Interpretation, 4th place Dramatic Interpretation
 Kelsey Lessen 7th place IHSA Radio Speaking, State Qualifier
 Mariah Maris 7th place IHSA Prose Reading
 Max Cleveland/Sam Webb, State Qualifier Humorous Duet
 Bea Harbaugh/Annaliese Marsiglio State Qualifier Drama Duet
 Ethan Schopp - All State Group Interp Cast
 Max Cleveland - All State Group Interp Cast
 Ethan Schopp and Marissa Horning - Honorable Mention IHSA All State Academic Team
 Cavit Schempp State Champ FFA Extemporaneous Speaking
 Molly Schempp Section FFA President and State Officer Team
 Hannah Baker State Farm Special Olympics Ambassador
 Olympia High School was recognized Global Education Excellence Award from EF
 Regional Champions IHSA Speech
 State Qualifiers Group Interpretation - 4th in at IHSA State
 Olympia South and West received ISBE Exemplary Status
 OMS Designated Horizon School to Watch
 Caleb Busick State Farm Special Olympics Athlete of Year
 Michal Weber 6th Place National Skills USA Competition

Olympia Featured at Several Local, State, National Events

Olympia is viewed throughout the State and Country as being a leader in innovation, learning, and College-Career Readiness. (CCR). Below are photos and descriptions.

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Olympia Board President Frazier and Olympia Team at ISU Awards Banquet. Dr. Wise, Laura O'Donnell, Ben Lee, and Jill Uhlman were honored for individual awards.



Olympia Assistant Superintendent Laura O'Donnell and ROE Assistant Superintendent Bergman featured in ISU's Magazine for research and development.



Olympia Softball Coach Courtney Hoffman and Team Captain Alexis Finchum accept honors at the State Farm Awards Banquet



Dr. Jodlowski, Liz Kirby, Jill Uhlman, and Natalie Cahill receive Innovation Award at Raising Student Achievement



Dr. Wise and OHS Student Kyle Cheeseman in Publication of School Admin where OHS was featured for College Career Readiness.



Dr. Wise with Director Bumpus from AACC, Director Domenech from AASA, and Vice President Diehl-Hunt from HCC. Dr. Wise and Dr. Hunt presented for Commission in DC.

Curriculum, Assessment, and Learning

The summer has been a busy time as the District is working on curriculum alignment and working to ensure instructional best practices are happening inside our classrooms. District wide, we have been preparing for PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention & Supports) implementation. The premise of PBIS is to explicitly teach desired behaviors and acknowledge positive behavior in a systematic way.

Elementary – most elementary staff have participated in balanced literacy training and we will be working toward creating an immersive, literate environment in our buildings with an enhanced focus on students spending time in text (reading).

Middle School – Mr. Lee and middle school teachers worked last year to vertically align the science and social studies curriculum. The new sequence will result in students being better prepared for science and social studies courses offered in high school and will provide a more rigorous and relevant skills based curriculum.

High School– High school staff have been preparing to teach new courses–Dual Credit Education, Dual Credit Horticulture, and Economics. Additionally, high school staff will be creating common course assessments this year as a way to ensure outcome expectations are consistent by course.

Olympia Improves Technology Access

Olympia will receive a \$490,000 federal E-Rate grant to bring fiber into each of our schools. The fiber will improve speed and provide a quality back up. Phones should not go down during storms anymore, as the IP phones will operate over the fiber optic lines. In addition, Olympia will be adding Wi-Fi to all buses. Students will have access to the internet on the bus to and from school, but also for extra-curricular road trips.

Olympia will also be purchasing hot spots for students to “check out” of the OMS Learning Center in the event that they do not have Wi-Fi access at home.

In addition, a new Instructional Technology Administrator, Sean Mullins will be joining the team from Unit 5 (pictured to the right). He will be joining Joe Salzer from Olympia, who will be promoted to Network Administrator (pictured to the left).



Olympia Propane Cost Saving Initiatives

Propane vs. Diesel Bus Cost Comparison

Fewer quarts of oil are needed for propane, thus saving \$32 for the cost of oil each time an oil change is performed.

Over the life of a bus (220,000 miles), propane buses need 5 fewer oil changes, compared to a diesel bus, due to the ability to go longer between oil changes, resulting in a savings of over \$1,000 in the total cost of oil changes over the life of the vehicle.

Will spend \$2,000 less per vehicle in preventative maintenance costs for the propane buses due to cheaper oil filters, lower oil capacity on propane buses, and fewer fuel filters needed.

Over the life of the propane bus, the District will spend \$20,000 less on fuel. Fuel is \$1.25 less per gallon for propane.

Each propane bus saves the district \$2,500 per year (fuel and preventative maintenance costs) as compared to the diesel bus.

With 15 propane buses in the fleet, the District is projected to save over \$300,000 over the life of the vehicles as compared to running diesel buses.

2019 Olympia Hall of Fame Inductees

- Douglas Blair**- Friend- Outstanding Contribution as Superintendent
- 2nd Lieutenant **Tyler Ginger**- Class of 2013- Distinguished Individual as Track Star
- Karen (Miller) Graber**- Class of 1982- Distinguished Individual as Student and Teacher
- Major Nathaniel Eaton** - Class of 2002- Distinguished Graduate as Student and Military Leadership
- 2009 Baseball Team** – State Champions

Electric Savings FY 18 to FY 19

Since the solar project came on in phases in July and August, the data below compares electric expenditures from FY 18 to FY 19. While it does not include all of the savings, it definitely shows the impact solar is having on the District's electric bills.

Building	FY 18	FY 19	Savings
South	\$34,680	\$24,951	\$9,729
North	\$54,239	\$43,550	\$10,689
West	\$48,352	\$30,727	\$17,625
OHMS	\$278,894	\$195,638	\$83,256
Total	\$416,165	\$294,866	\$121,299

Schedule your student's immunizations and physical now! All new students to the District are required to show proof of current immunizations and physical by September 15, 2019. Any student participating in an activity will be required to have an up-to-date physical on file before practices begin. Also check the Olympia website for immunization, dental, and eye exam requirements by grade. Students that are not compliant by October 15, 2019 will be excluded.

College, Career, and Life Focus

Post-secondary Plans for Class of 2019

- 46% - Attending two year colleges
- 38% - Attending four year colleges/universities
- 7% - Attending a trade school
- 5% - Joining the workforce
- 4% - Serving in the military

46% took one or more college courses offered at OHS
 20% took a course at BACC, with a majority earning college credit
 Earned over \$1.5 million dollars in scholarship money
 Served over 2,320 service hours during the 2018-19 school year
 Had the strongest FAFSA completion percentage
 (better than all schools within a 50 mile radius)

Class of 2020-2022

- Will serve over 5,410 community hours per school year
- Will join 1 of 31 Career Pathways in 16 national career clusters
- 10 Advanced Placement Courses Available
- 7 Dual Credit Courses Available on Campus
- Countless On-Line and Dual Credit Experiences Off Campus
- 14 Bloomington Area Career Center Programs Available
- Internships and Pre-Apprenticeships Available
- Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities (CEO) Course Available

Spartan Skills

Students at Olympia will learn to demonstrate the following this year:

SPARTAN SKILLS

- S**how empathy
- P**ersevere and overcome
- A**ccept responsibility
- R**espect self and others
- T**hink critically – think growth
- A**chieve individually + team
- N**ever give up
- S**elf-advocate

Upcoming Back to School Dates

Olympia students will begin the 2019-20 school year on Wednesday, August 14, with bus transportation, breakfast, and lunch available. Below are important dates and information regarding the start of school.

July 1-31 Online registration open for returning students. New students must register on August 1st. If your family does not have Internet access, please register online at your local library after July 1 or at your school on August 1st.

August 1 New student walk-in registration is August 1 from 8am-12pm, 1pm-6pm for new elementary and OMS students. Please call 309-379-5911 ext. 9023 for your new High School student appointment.

August 7 Incoming Freshmen will attend Freshmen Lift Off from 9:20am–11:30am.

August 12 Kindergarten orientation at all buildings 5:00pm

August 13 Open House activities in all buildings

August 14 First day of school for students.

Returning students' families will register online through Skyward Family Access with the same login and password they are currently using. If you do not know your password, please contact Tech Director Scott Powers at 309-379-6011 ext. 1110 or email at scott.powers@olympia.org.

Open House Dates and Times

- Aug 12 Kindergarten Orientation 5:00pm-6:00pm
- Aug 12 6th Grade Open House 6:00pm-7:00pm
- Aug 13 Elementary Open House 5:00pm to 6:00pm
- Aug 13 OMS Open House 6:00pm-7:00pm
- Aug 13 OHS Open House 6:30pm-7:30pm

Olympia Names Submitted for State Recognition



Olympia recognized four outstanding staff members this year by nominating them for the Those Who Excel awards. Dr. Ed Jodlowski, OHS Principal, was nominated in the category of

Administrator. Alex Hembra, OMS teacher, was selected for Classroom Teacher. Jerry Henderson, OSE Custodian, was nominated for Educational Service Personnel and Bekka Schwartz was our nominee for Early Career Educator. All four of our nominees will attend a banquet in their honor in the fall. Congratulations to these dedicated Olympia staff members for going above and beyond for the students of Olympia!

Congratulations to the 2019 Retirees



Olympia would like to congratulate our 2019-20 retirees. We congratulate them on their accomplishments while serving the students of Olympia and appreciate their service. We hope each enjoys retirement to the fullest!

2019 Retirees pictured above: (back row) Mike Haak, Brenda Johnson, Scott Powers, Hettie Shutt. (front row) LaRae Beach, Pam Brownell, Helen Dull, Karen Graber, Bob Waters. Not pictured- Mary Bohne.

The Board and Administration appreciate your support of the Olympia School District.

Go Spartans!

District Facilities Study Update

The District engaged in a Facilities Study resulting in an overview of the District's systems, structures, safety/security, and space in relation to learning. The District also gathered input from stakeholders via a plethora of meetings over the course of last school year. The input gathered during the facilities meetings created a wide variety of suggestions.

Dewberry Architects conducted the study and is in the process of providing the information to the Board. Over the next few Board meetings, the Board will be discussing what is feasible, affordable, and needed to enhance the learning environment at Olympia. The Board appreciates everyone's input and support through the process.



SPARTAN UP CAMP FOR 1st-5th Students

Join the fun for FREE! The two week session will be held at Olympia North and Olympia South and runs from July 29 to August 9 for any Olympia students entering 1st through 5th grade.

The Olympia District and Right at School are partnering to offer Olympia students a FREE two week session to give them a jump start to a successful school year. Students will receive instruction in reading, math, science, as well as engage in fun activities centered around fitness, art, and STEM. Olympia will provide limited transportation from the communities as well.

Registration is open now! Visit www.rightatschool.com to get your students registered today!

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