

Old Town High School School Board Report March - 2019

Athletics Update

Our winter sports season officially came to a close on the afternoon of Saturday, March 9th when our Old Town-Orono Black Bears ice hockey team fell to an outstanding team from Greely High School by a score of 8-o. Don't let this loss melt all of the positives from the big picture - back-to-back Class B Northern Maine championships and consecutive trips to the state championship is nothing to "lose an edge" over. This team has talent still remaining on the roster and I expect that they will be in the mix of things again next year. Congratulations to the entire team and the coaching staff! For those of you looking ahead to spring - the wait will not be long. Pitchers and catchers begin on Monday, March 18th and all spring sports officially start practice on Monday, March 25th.

Jazz

On the weekend of March 8th/9th, our Jazz band traveled to UNH and was the only band to be recognized for "Outstanding Performance." There were others who earned honorable mention, but none won this award.

There were several soloists who were recognized - Levi Trefts (trombone), Mercedes Creighton (piano), Adam Regan (Saxophone), Nate Regan (drums), Annabelle Muscatell (saxophone) and Dee Porter (bass).

On March 15th/16th our Jazz bands brought home a great deal of hardware from the Maine State Jazz Festival held at South Portland High School. Our Jazz Band 2 earned bronze, our Jazz Combo won silver and our Jazz Ensemble took the gold. Levi Trefts was recognized as Outstanding Musician for his work on the trombone and Nate Regan took Outstanding Musician honors for the drums. Well Done OTHS!

Spring Fling

During the week of March 18 thru 22, our Student Council organizes "Spring Fling"

activities. Each day of the week is assigned a theme:

Monday: "Dress like a Mainer Day" Tuesday: "Dress Like a Teacher Day"

Wednesday: "Wild Wild West Wednesday"

Thursday: "Throwback Thursday"

Friday: "Class Colors day"

In addition, we move Academic Focus to the end of the school day for each day and Student Council organizes activities from volleyball and capture the flag in the gymnasium to water volleyball in the pool to Jeopardy and Trivia Crack in certain classrooms. Points are awarded and there is a friendly competition among classes. There are also quieter rooms for students who would rather have time to study. This is a great way to break up this long tough stretch through March and officially usher in spring.

8th Grade Transition

On Wednesday, March 13th, we saw more than 125 area 8th grade students attend our Open House. It was a great turnout. Students and parents had the opportunity to meet and speak with teachers, guidance counselors, administration and coaches. On Wednesday, March 20th, students and parents will return to register for classes for the fall of 2019. Our guidance counselors and several teachers will be on hand to answer questions and steer students toward the best options based on their educational goals.

Upcoming Events at OTHS

March 18th thru March 22nd Spring Fling

Monday, March 18th

Wednesday, March 20th

Monday, March 25th

Spring Sports begin practice

Thursday, March 28th

Tuesday, April 2nd

Friday, April 5th

Practice for Pitchers & Catchers

8th Grade Registration Night

Spring Sports begin practice

'All That Jazz' Fundraiser

Science Augmentation

End of 3rd Quarter

Tuesday, April 9th SAT - all juniors at OTHS

April 15th thru April 19th April Vacation

Students of the Month

Grade 9 Logan Gardner
Grade 10 Delani McLaughlin

Grade 11 Gabe Talon

Grade 12 Alexander Chapman

Staff of the Month TBD

By the Numbers

Class of 2019 119 Class of 2020 122 Class of 2021 135

Class of 2022 128

Total Enrollment **504**

UTC Enrollment 45 students

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gordon Principal