

# WILDCAT UPDATE

January 22 -January 30 | USD 358 Oxford Public Schools | Weekly Update

## Mark Your Calendar

### Monday, January 23rd

High School SCBL Scholars Bowl at Udall

### Tuesday, January 24th

5th and 6th Grade Music Concert 7pm

### Wednesday, January 25th

Wildcats Abroad Meeting 6pm

### Thursday, January 26th

Junior High basketball vs. South Haven

### Friday, January 27th

High School basketball at CVD

### Monday, January 30th

### *Homecoming Week*

Junior High Basketball at Caldwell

### Tuesday, January 31th

High School Basketball vs. Caldwell

### Thursday, February 2nd

Regional Scholars Bowl

Junior High SCBL Basketball Tournament- Play-In Game

### Friday, February 3rd

OHS Basketball- Homecoming vs. West Elk

### Saturday, February 4th

Junior High SCBL Tournament at CVD

Homecoming Dance 8pm-10pm

## Attendance Reminders

One of the goals for the 22-23 school year is to reduce the number of students who are chronically absent. Missing 8 or more days in a semester or 16 days in a school year is considered chronic absenteeism. Students who have a pattern of frequent missed days of school, tend to fall behind their classmates. Let's work together to reduce the number of students who are chronically absent.



Mrs. Lauren Van Allen, OHS agriculture education teacher, was recognized for two awards at the KAAE Ag Ed Symposium in Hays, KS. The first was "The Outstanding Agriculture Teacher" award and the second was the "Carl Perkins Outstanding Service" award. We are proud of Mrs. Van Allen and thank her for all the work she does for students and the community.

The high school boys basketball team took third place at the SCBL Tournament. Congratulations to the OHS team, head coach Kyle Green, and assistant coach Scott Smythe.



Congratulations to Micheal Lawlis, Hayden Ruyle, Colby Hammond, Peyton Rush, and Daniel Williams; along with 19 other league students, who were recognized as members of the 2023 SCBL All-Academic Team.



**Oxford Public Schools Staff Highlight**  
**Kim Mitchell- Kindergarten Teacher**



Mrs. Kim Mitchell is completing her 23rd year as a kindergarten teacher at Oxford Elementary. She has spent her entire teaching in Oxford. Mrs. Mitchell was a kindergartener in the same classroom. Her grandpa was also a student in the classroom. When asked what was the best thing about her job she said, "I love it when a child's face lights up when they have figured out something that had been difficult for them. And the hugs from the kiddos are pretty amazing as well." An interesting fact about Mrs. Mitchell is that she has ran 3 full marathons and 3 half marathons.

**School Closure Procedures**

It's winter weather season, which means there may be times school will close due to hazardous conditions. Notifications will be made as soon as possible through Swiftreach -automated calls, texts and emails. Notices will also be posted on the district website, and social media sites (Facebook and Twitter). KSN, KWCH, and KAKE will post the information as well. Please make sure your contact information is correct in PowerSchool. If a phone number or email address has changed or not correct, contact the school office.

**IMPORTANT:**

Tuesday-January 24th- 5th and 6th Grade Music Concert

Friday, February 3rd- Homecoming

Late Start *Every* Friday- School starts at 9am

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 Ast. Principal/Virtual Admin- Ashley Bugbee  
 7-12 Counselor- Sherry White  
 Elementary Counselor- Molly McCoy  
 Athletic Directors- Kyle Green/Kyle Westerman  
 Transportation Director- Wade Metz  
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 Director of Buildings and Grounds- Greg Mugler  
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 2nd Monday of Each Month