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Completes Great Season**

**Congrats to the Class of 2016
Valedictorians and Salutatorians**

**Spring Break Intersessions
Offered Extra Instruction**



Superintendent's Message

Students and staff are preparing for the final stretch of the 2015-16 school year. Spring Break has been completed and the members of our school community have returned



in anticipation of participating in various academic, extra-curricular, and social year-ending activities. These activities include final standardized testing challenges, the conclusion of the fourth Nine Week grading period and graduation ceremonies for qualifying senior class members on June 3. Approved Summer School classes commence the following week and will be in session through June 30. In addition to these academic endeavors, recognition ceremonies, prom, spring sports and field trips are also scheduled during this very busy time.

As you can see, it is a great time to be and become a Bobcat!

—Jim Dermody, Interim Superintendent



Quality education means not only putting students first, but giving them the best tools for their success and encouraging them to do their best each day.

Currently Accepting Transfer Applications

The Oregon-Davis School Corporation is currently accepting transfer student applications for the 2016-17 school year. Interested candidates seeking enrollment will be governed per Indiana State Student Transfer Guidelines. The ODSC offers outstanding academic, career, fine art, and extracurricular programs that shape the development of well-rounded students.

In addition, transportation service options for transfer students are available as well.

Interested parents/guardians should contact the ODSC Administrative Office for Information related to Transfer Enrollment Procedures. It is a great time to become a Bobcat!

Band Members Participate in Festival

On Feb. 21, four students from the high school band participated in the Valparaiso Small High School Band Festival at Valparaiso University. High school students in small high schools in the area were invited to perform with the Valparaiso University Luce Concert Band on four musical selections that were rehearsed and performed that Sunday on the university's campus. This was an opportunity for students from small high school bands to perform in a larger ensemble, with approximately 80 participants. Good job and way to represent O-D, Jackson Green, Danielle Pinkham, Austin Hite and Alana Wilson! We are proud of your participation and accomplishments!



At Oregon-Davis School Corporation, we strive to prepare students for success in a changing world and give them opportunities for a lifetime of learning.

Lady Cat Basketball Update

Congratulations to Coach Minix and the Lady Cat basketball team. For the first time in school history, the Lady Cats won an Indiana 2A Sectional and Regional Championship. The team was one win away from competing for a state title but fell to eventual 2A state champions Lafayette Central Catholic 63-75. The Lady Cats ended the season with a 26-3 record. It was another great season for the Lady Cats! And we are proud of Lexi Minix and Kyleigh Kubik for being selected to play in the McDonald's Michiana High School All-Star Basketball Game at Bethel College on March 29. Congratulations ladies! We are proud of how you represent Oregon-Davis!

Academic Accomplishments

We would like to recognize and thank our distinguished graduates of our class of 2016. This year we wish to congratulate Hannah Clark and Riley Trott as our valedictorians. Both ladies worked tirelessly over the course of their four years at OD, and both are deserving of this recognition. We would also like to recognize Lexi Minix and Rachael Cociorvan as the Class of 2016 Salutatorians. These two ladies have also worked hard during their OD careers, and we are very proud honor them as well.



Our students not only benefit from stellar academics, but individualized attention and lasting relationships.

Spring Break Intersessions

During spring break, O-D held one week of Intersession. Intersession is an opportunity for students to receive extra instruction to help them become more successful in the classroom. There are many factors teachers looked at when recommending a student for Intersession. The most common reasons students were recommended for Intersession was due to them needing extra assistance in reading and/or math. In the upper grades, students were also recommended if they had missing work or excessive absences, or lower test scores on formative assessments. Some high school students were working to recover credits. During Intersession, teachers focused on basic math, reading and writing skills that are on the Spring ISTEP test. Students who have missing work also had time to get some of this work caught up.

Mr. Robert Klinedinst taught spring Intersession at the Jr/Sr high school, and Mr. Dean Corey taught Intersession at the elementary school. The tutoring content is outlined here:

Elementary:

In the weeks leading up to Intersessions, teachers have been administering the Pivot Inspect ISTEP Prep assessment in math and language arts. The results from this assessment were be used to identify topics and skills that were addressed during intersession. Tutoring consisted of the following:

Math: Go Math, Reflex, and Khan Academy

Language Arts: Achieve 3000, Moby Max, and Khan Academy

Junior High:

The latest Pivot assessment data and current student work/classroom data was used to tailor remediation to junior high students in preparation for ISTEP+ assessments in April. Tutoring consisted of the following:

- Pivot-based daily lessons for math and language arts
- Workshops/mini lesson over math and language arts skills
- Achieve3000 reading comprehension and active reading practice
- Constructed response and writing strategies for both math and language arts
- Test taking strategies

High School:

High school students received remediation for language arts and algebra. The latest Pivot assessment data was used to tailor specific remediation experiences for students. High school students also worked on completing credit recovery via A+ software. Tutoring consisted of:

- Pivot-based daily lessons for math and language arts
- Workshops/mini lesson over math and language arts skills
- A+ lessons to complete course work
- USA Test Prep and Kahn Academy exercises and tutorials to meet specific student need
- Constructed response and writing strategies for both math and language arts
- Test taking strategies



Our goal is to provide opportunities for students to communicate, collaborate, critically think and be creative in order to prepare them for college and careers.

You're Invited!

The Oregon-Davis School Board meets on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Administration Building, 5998 North 750 East, Hamlet, IN. You are invited to attend these meetings.

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Together, let's finish the rest of the 2015-16 school year strong!

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All School Calendar 2016

April 27 - May 15 ISTEP Multiple Choice
May 6 No School (Possible Make-up Day)
May 26 End of 4th 9-Weeks Grading Period
May 27 Last Student Day
May 30 Memorial Day (No School)
May 31 - June 3 Possible Make-up Days
June 3 Graduation