

OREGON CITY SCHOOLS Bird's Eye View

"Through hard work and dedication from our staff and students, with support from families and the

community.

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WINTER 2023-24

Oregon City Schools (OCS) demonstrated positive student growth documented by the latest 2023 state report card. This report card uses a FIVE-star rating system to document performance of the overall district and each individual school. Students continue to receive a high quality education with more flexibility than ever before to customize their education. The OCS Board of Education, teachers, and administrators have been working very hard for years adapting to the changing educational environment, adjusting curriculum, cultivating internal culture and assisting individual students to achieve success. OCS maintained or increased our Star ratings in all 27 categories measured. We've pictured the summary of the overall ratings in the graphic below.



"Clay High School is excited with the recent scores we earned on the State Report Card. Working together, our staff, students and parents upheld the academic excellence that is expected at CHS. Together, we celebrate not just the academic success but the enduring spirit of Tradition, Family & Community that define Clay High School." Mr Jim Jurski, Principal



Fassett Junior High School achieved tremendous growth as indicated on our State Report Card results. I am so proud of the improvement that was made and we strive everyday to keep this momentum going throughout this school year. Our goals are aligned in using best practices that impact student learning."

Mrs. Jennifer Kollarik, Principal



"Working hard and treating people right are the pillars of **Eisenhower**. I am so very proud of our students, staff, parents, and the Eisenhower Community for the way they come together to support these beliefs. It is awesome to see them rewarded with such successes!"

Mr. Tim Holcombe, Principal



"Oregon Schools is proud of the on-going academic growth of our students.

OCS has something for everyone and we will continue to strive for excellence!"

Hal Gregory, Superintendent





"Teamwork makes the dream work at **Coy!**Students + Staff + Parents = Success!
Couldn't be more proud of everyone in helping our Coy students learn and grow!"

Mrs. Amy Molnar, Principal.



"When you walk into **Jerusalem**, you can feel the positive energy soaring through the halls. We are proud of the hard work everyone puts in every day and are blessed to have excellent staff, student, and community support...it's like one big family." **Mr. Jeff Straka, Principal**



"The five stars in

Career Tech is a reflection
on our CT teachers and
students hard work to
ensure that our graduates
are prepared for employment,

enlistment, enrollment or entrepreneurship. Achieving 112.2% on Career and Post Secondary Readiness is proof that our CT students are prepared for all future opportunities." Ms. Becci Bihn, Career Tech Director



"As Henry Ford once said, 'Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress;

working together is success.' We are proud of how our **Starr** Family has come together to achieve this outstanding accomplishment!" **Mrs. Tricia Soltesz, Principal**

CLASSROOM



C/T Boot Camp

Nineteen teachers had the opportunity to attend the first **Career Tech Teacher Boot** Camp offered in June. They visited seven different business in four days, gaining knowledge about the products, services and careers offered, and the skills need to perform those jobs. This experience was aimed to help teacher's build classroom content applicable to current jobs.



Thank you Nooter Construction!

The sample circuit boards used for training during the Teacher Boot Camp, were also perfect tools for teaching students the same concepts. Thank you **Nooter** for the donation of the electrical circuit boards to Clay and Eisenhower to teach students about electrical circuits.

Hour of Code at Starr

"Hour of Code" was created by code.org to expose all students to learning computer science. Ultimately, helping





nurture problem-solving skills, logic and creativity, and establishing foundation for success in any 21st-century career path. **Starr STEAM** Kindergartners love learning to code Ozobots.



Congratulations to Stephanie Shafer, Wynn Center Preschool Teacher, for being awarded the NPESC Heart/ TeamWork award for her outstanding mentorship of others. OCS is very proud of Mrs. Shafer and thankful she has cared for OCS students for many years. Join us in congratulating Stephanie!

Clay Senior, Kassidy Bauer, achieved the highest ACT score possible in September 2023 with a perfect 36. Way to go Kassidy! In 2022, only .25% of all students who took the ACT earned the top score, that's just 3,376 students out of 1.4 million. Congratulations!







\$1.6 Million Grant

Clay High School Career Technical Program receives \$1.6 million grant from State of Ohio to build a new Greenhouse and Animal Housing Facility for the Agriculture and Environment Technologies program.

OCS/Keller Family

2022/23 EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR



Terri Hook Lead **Teacher District**



Rebecca Bihn **Director of Career** and Technology District



Rebecca **Dunsmore** Secretary Clay High School

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Arts • Athletics • Clubs • • • • •

Clay wins BCSN

Student Section of the Week in September. Student section at home football game with the coveted #SSOTW belt. BCSN awards one high school each week during the fall football season.

Meet Fassett's new Therapy Dog



Terra arrived in August and is the new Therapy dog at Fassett. She is a 4 year old, black lab who will be handled throughout the day with Mr. Maletich.

Meet Jerusalem's new Therapy Dog

Thunder arrived in November and is the new Therapy dog at Jerusalem. He is a 2 year old black lab who will be handled throughout the day with Mrs. Hower and Mrs. Mason.





New Multipurpose Turf Field



Exploring STEMCareers

A group of 7-8th grade girls attended the STEM Goes Red event in Toledo! They got to interact

with different companies and explore opportunities and careers involved with STEM!



NLL Athletic Success



NLL League CHAMPIONS Girls Soccer

NLL Player of the Year – Kaelani Chanthakham – Girls Soccer NLL Offensive Player of the Year – Mason Heintschel – Football All-Ohio Honorable Mention - Mason Heintschel - Football **NLL League Champions – 8th Grade Football**



Class of 1973-50th Reunion

The Crystal Class of '73 held their 50th reunion weekend in May. In addition, the Class of '73 came back to round out their 50th reunion experience with a football game gathering in September during Homecoming weekend.

Class of 1952 – Summer lunch celebrating 71st

1st row: Jeannette (Martin) Cedoz, Tom Gladieux, Jim Goralske. 2nd row: Carl Hudecek, Martha (Breese) Hecklinger, Cliff Bury



Class of 1963 - 60th Reunion



Class of 1978 – 45th Reunion







Class of 1993 - 30th Reunion



Class of 2003 – 20th Reunion



Alumni Resources

Alumni Relations Please visit https://www.oregoncityschools.org/AlumniRelations.aspx. You can find out the latest Alumni information on Reunions, Events, Hall of Fame and Local History there.

Stay Connected Please consider updating your contact information (especially email) at the same link above under "Update Your Contact Information". This will enable us to keep you updated on all things Clay Eagles.



Alumni Find Success in Collegiate Athletics

Palmer Yenrick '19 – University of Toledo. Named MAC Men's Co-Golfers of the Week in Oct. Senior Palmer Yenrick tied for first place and set a new school 54-hole record with a 13-under par 203 along with his teammate Barend Botha at the Quail Valley Collegiate Invitational. Yenrick's 13-under par score edged Botha's previous school record by one stroke and his seven-under 65's were a career best as well as one



shot away from a school record. Palmer also qualified in July for the **US Amateur for the 2nd straight year**.



Olivia Henneman-Dallape
'20 – Ferris State University.
Earned All-Midwest Region
1st Team recognition from
both the American Volleyball
Coaches Association (AVCA)
and the Division II Conf. Com-

missioner's Assoc. (D2CCA). She was also chosen as the All-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Offensive Player of the Year and was AVCA 2nd Team All-American.

Kennedy Slovak '20 – University of Findlay. Named GMAC Goalkeeper of the Year and 1st Team GMAC All-Conference. Kennedy is the only goalkeeper in the history of the GMAC to win Goalkeeper of the Year twice.



Joslyn Jurski '22 – Clarion University. Earned Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Women's Swimming Athlete of the Week for Dec. 12 after helping the

Golden Eagles sweep both

ends of a tri-meet. She had two individual events and helped the 200 Free Relay team win the final event of the day.

Nick Rodriguez '21 – Lourdes University. Freshman Season: NAIA national qualifier, Earned 2nd Team All Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference (WHAC) honors. WHAC Newcomer of the Year. Sophomore Season to date: Ranked 5th in NAIA and is 7-0.



Hall of Fame

The Clay Distinguished Alumni & Athletic Hall of Fame banquet was held on September 14, at St. Michael's Centre in Oregon. Congratulations to the newest inductees! Thank you for sharing your stories. Once An Eagle, Always An Eagle!

2023 Distinguished Alumni Inductees: Kim Corado, 1973 Doug Dippman, 1969



L to R: Doug Dippman, Kim Corado



L to R: Michael Screptock, Jordan Grosjean, Nicole Breeden. Coach Scott Wamer

2023 Distinguished Athletic Inductees: Nicole Breeden, 2013 Jarred Gray, 2013 Jordan Grosjean, 2013 Michael Screptock, 2012 Coach Scott Wamer, 1985

CLAY Reunions on the Horizon

All Class FLORIDA Reunion TBD

Sebring, FL restaurant has closed permanently.

Class of 1964 - 60th Reunion

October 11-12, 2024; Friday night football game. Saturday morning Clay High Tour at 11 am. Saturday evening reunion at Bayside Hall on Seaman Rd 6 pm — Midnight. Contact Butch Keefer at (419) 836-1958 for details and RSVPs.

Alumni Band - All prior band alumni members are invited to march at halftime. Friday, September 27, 2024.

Class of 1974 - 50th Reunion "Crystal

Class" September 27-28, 2024; Friday night football game. Saturday morning tour at 10 am. Saturday evening reunion at the Chalet in Oak Shade Grove. Tickets \$50/ea. Contact Laura (Vonck) Timofeev at Lauratimofeev@sbcglobal.net for details.

Class of 1979 - 45th Reunion

September 27-28, 2024; Friday night football game gathering. Saturday morning tour at 12 pm. Saturday evening causal reception at Bayside Hall on Seaman Rd with food trucks. Ticket price \$19.79 includes hall rental, music, pop and water. Contact Terri (Wamer) Hook at terrihook10@gmail.com or 419-509-0542 for details.

Class of 2004 - 20th Reunion

September 13-14, 2024. Details TBD. Contact Ronnie Robeson at rrobesjr@gmail.com.

Contact Amy Hansen, Alumni Relations at ahansen@oregoncs.org for reunion planning information.

FOUNDATION



Mission

Provide resources to expand and enhance educational opportunities that inspire learning, enrich teaching for our students through community support.



Kiwanis Donates Books to Starr Students

Thank you to **East Toledo-Oregon Kiwanis Club** for the gift to purchase a variety of books at Starr Elementary to fill the book vending machine sponsored by **PBF Energy (Toledo Refining Company)**. We appreciate your generosity and for supporting our students' love of reading.

Spotlight: Founder's Grant expands Music at Coy

Ms. Allgeier's Music class at Coy Elementary was the recipient of an OSF Founder's Grant for \$2,875 to purchase Orff Instruments and Boomwhacker Tuned Percussion Tubes





to expand her options to teach music in class. "These pictures are from our first week of rehearsals. Thank you to OSF, the students are really loving making music!" stated Ms. Allgeier.

PBF Energy (Toledo Refining Company) supports Oregon students through Charitable Golf Outing



OSF and PBF Energy created the "Partners FORE Education" Grant program as a result of the PBF golf outing held in June. The new Grant opportunity is for OCS to support STEM and social / emotional growth needs in our classrooms.

Grants approved to date: New CNC Machine for Fassett STEM class, additional Ozobot Evo Robots for Eisenhower STEM class, and electrical circuit boards for Clay Agriculture and Environmental Technologies program.



Ten Founder's Grants = \$19,600

Impacting 1,195 students
Are being implemented
in 2023-24 school year,
including Indi Sphero Bots
at Coy and Jerusalem,
MD Music Exploration at
Clay, Sewing Across the
Grades at Coy,
Boogie Boards for Kindergarten at Jerusalem,
and the Coy Orffestra &

Boomwhacker Band



Frost Fest 2024 MONOPOLY NIGHT Feb 10, 2024

Frost Fest – presents Monopoly Night as the annual OSF fundraiser. Funds raised are used for Founder's Classroom Grants and Elementary Art Clubs.

Sponsors and silent auction items welcomed.

Tickets online at www.oregonschoolsfoundation.org

Come join the fun at a new location;

The Venues 540 S. St. Clair Street, Toledo.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Oregon Schools Foundation (OSF) is an independent 501(c)(3) organization that provides resources to enhance education opportunities for the students of OCS.

If you are interested in making a stock / mutual fund investment in perpetuity for Endowment Growth, a planned gift to OSF to support Oregon students or in setting up a scholarship for a Clay High School Senior, please reach out to Amy Hansen, Executive Director at

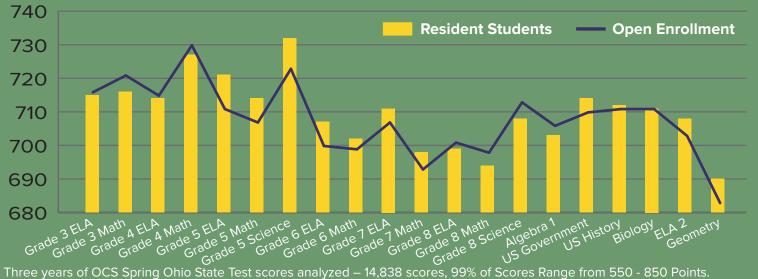
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SERVICES

OST Test Score Comparison: Resident Students vs. Open Enrollment

Test data indicates there is a **0% impact** on state test scores by open enrollment students.



Three years of OCS Spring Onio State Test scores analyzed – 14,838 scores, 99% of Scores Range from 550 - 850 Points.

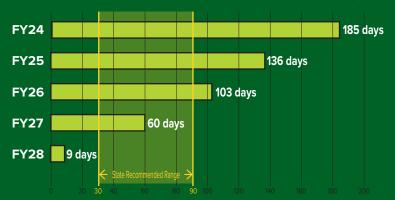
Resident Students outscore OE Students by less than 1 point on average (709.3 - 708.5)

ELA: English Language Arts

OCS 5 YR Forecast Summary

OCS Year-end Cash Balances - Days Worth of Expenses

OCS remains fiscally strong in the short-term with strong cash balances through FY27. As Covid Funding is used up, we will continue to encourage/lobby the State of Ohio legislature to continue increasing the funding of the Fair School Funding Plan.



Partnership Spotlight

Oregon City Schools has used UNIFY Marketing & Technology Solutions for nearly a decade; first with working with the over 300 district phones and then installing and maintaining our over 300 unit camera



system. Many Oregon City School employees will associate **Tom Tomasello** as being UNIFY. He is the first call for help with phones and cameras. Recently, the **Ohio Attorney General's Office Safety Grant**, gave OCS another way to work with UNIFY...a new door entry/fob system. UNIFY has been a great partner. Thanks to **Jason Vickers** and his staff at UNIFY for keeping us safe and sound.

New Social Worker, Jessica Fitch



Mrs. Fitch is a licensed Social Worker and is new to OCS. She is the first Social Worker directly supporting OCS students. Mrs. Fitch's primary responsibility is to provide resources and direct assistance to OCS families in need. Referrals are made through the school principals and counselors. Welcome to OCS!

Welcome new Central Office Administrative Assistant

Dana Wheeler joined OCS at the end of October. She will provide administrative support to the central office leaders, including the development office and alumni relations. Dana is also a Clay Alumni. Please welcome Dana to our district!



As a result of the **2022 Ohio K-12 School Safety Grant** that OCS received, the following new equipment has been installed to improve safety for students and staff at all buildings.

- Door Entry System (new fobs) district-wide
- · PA System district-wide
- Repeater at Coy for Emergency Radios
- Digital 2-way radios district-wide
- Digital radio repeater at Clay High School
- · Camera additions and replacement
- Camera System servers
- Sporadic door replacements.

Check Out What's Inside!

Music Tradition

Tradition

Science

OregonSchoolsIMPACTlives.

"Bird's Eye View" is an accountability tool to our community, parents and business partners to remain transparent with quality indicators.

If you have any questions, please forward to info@oregoncs.org

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NON-PROFIT

Remodeled Visitor Press Box Revealed for Fall 2023 Season

- OCS maintenance staff rebuilt the nearly 50 year old structure.
- Appreciation to Nordmann Roofing, Commercial Flooring, Gladieux Lumber, Ogie Miller and Gross Electric for their assistance on the Visitor Press Box remodel.



- The updated structure contains three separate individual heated spaces. Occupancy expanded from 6 (generously) to 18.
- This much needed remodel was a \$250,000 project that was taken on with in-house personnel and finished for under \$100,000 with donations of \$24,400. Final price tag of \$97,164 included all structural components, HVAC, carpet, furniture, wi-fi and additional cameras. The funds came from one-time reimbursement funds; not taxpayer dollars.



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Spring Break



