



ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The mission of the Orlando Science Schools (OSS) is to use proven and innovative instructional methods and exemplary reform-based curricula in a stimulating environment with the result of providing its students a well-rounded middle school and high school education in all subject areas. OSS will provide rigorous college preparatory programs with a special emphasis in mathematics, science, technology, and language arts.

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Principal's Corner

Dear Students & Parents,

The End of Course tests are here and we know without a shadow of doubt our students will excel at them! A passing score for the EOC is required for high school graduation. During this time, we encourage parents and students to be diligent in their studies, eat a healthy breakfast daily and get plenty of sleep. Please read page 6 for more information.

Check out page 2 for some exciting news concerning 8th grade graduation then scroll on down to page 3 for past and upcoming events while page 4 has important end of the year news.

OSS prides itself on its diversity and is having an International night on campus to show off our culture diversity, for more information on this event, please read page 5.

At last but definitely not least, Science Olympiad needs your help for their upcoming trip to nationals so check out page 7 for the details and as always, page 8 has our gummy lunch menu!

Sincerely,

Nzcati Sahin, OSS Principal

**“Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education.”
Martin Luther King Jr.**



OSS IS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE OUR 8TH GRADE GRADUATION

Orlando Science Schools will be hosting its 8th grade graduation on Tuesday, May 28, 2013 at 5:00pm.

The event will be held at the Sheraton Downtown Orlando Ballroom located at 400 W Livingston St., Orlando, FL 32801 (407) 843-6664

The cap and gown forms have gone home with your students and also may be picked up at the front desk. They are due by May 3rd, no exceptions.

This event will be an exciting and emotional time as our 8th grade class will end their time as middle school students and begin their journey into to becoming the men and women of high school.

Please join us for this celebration of love and achievement and of endings and beginnings.



OSS Upcoming Events

1. OSS/OSES Skate Night-May 10th
2. National Science Olympiad –May17-18 , Dayton, Ohio
3. 8th grade graduation- May 28th , 5:00 pm- Sheraton Orlando Downtown Ballroom
400 W Livingston St Orlando, FL 32801 -(407) 843-6664

Always check the OSS website and Make sure you check your emails

National Science Olympiad Competition Dates May 17-18 National

OSS 2013 EOCT SCHEDULE	
BIOLOGY	5/8/2013
ALGEBRA-I	5/14/2013- 5/15/2013
GEOMETRY	5/22/2013

Week in History

In May 10, 1877:

Hayes has first phone installed in White House

President Rutherford B. Hayes has the White House's first telephone installed in the mansion's telegraph room. President Hayes embraced the new technology, though he rarely received phone calls. In fact, the Treasury Department possessed the only other direct phone line to the White House at that time. The White House phone number was "1." Phone service throughout the country was in its infancy in 1877. It was not until a year later that the first telephone exchange was set up in Connecticut and it would be 50 more years until President Herbert Hoover had the first telephone line installed at the president's desk in the Oval Office.

In more recent years, presidential phone recordings have given the public insight into the personalities and political maneuvers of the nation's leaders. On such tapes, Lyndon Johnson, Richard Nixon and Harry Truman were frequently heard using profanity or openly criticizing political opponents without the constraints of being in the public eye or having to maintain a facade of presidential decorum. Most of the time those on the other end of the White House phone line had no knowledge they were being taped.

Since 1990, the National Archives and Records Administration has released to the public presidential phone recordings regarding subjects such as Kennedy's handling of the Cuban missile crisis; Johnson's increase in the number of U.S. troops sent to Vietnam; and Nixon's appointment of William Rehnquist to the U.S. Supreme Court. American Radio Works® states Nixon left behind more taped phone recordings than any other president, a fact that led to his political transcripts or sound recordings have become increasingly available to the public in print and online.

Important End of Year Information

Dear parents,

As the end of the school year approaches, OSS has a few important details that need to be addressed.

1. **Upcoming 7th graders, you must get your 7th grade immunizations before next school year
2. **All students must get a physical before next school year
3. **If you have moved, you must fill out the first two pages of the enrollment forms, located on our website; plus, the correct proof of Orange County Domicile.

**** bring in the original of the above documents to the school registrar.
If you do not supply OSS with these documents, your student will not be given a schedule
or placed in any classes.**

4. Pick up any medications/inhalers, etc. before school ends, otherwise they will be properly disposed.

**5. I need one business sized self-addressed stamped envelope
(One per student)**

**By
Monday, June 3rd, 2013**

to send out your student's FCAT scores and final report cards to you!!!

(If you owe money, e.g., lost books, aftercare, lunch money, etc., your report card or FCAT scores will be mailed to you after you make the payment)

It is imperative that you bring them to Ms. Becc ASAP

It needs to be addressed as follows:

Orlando Science School
2427 Lynx Lane
Orlando, FL 32804

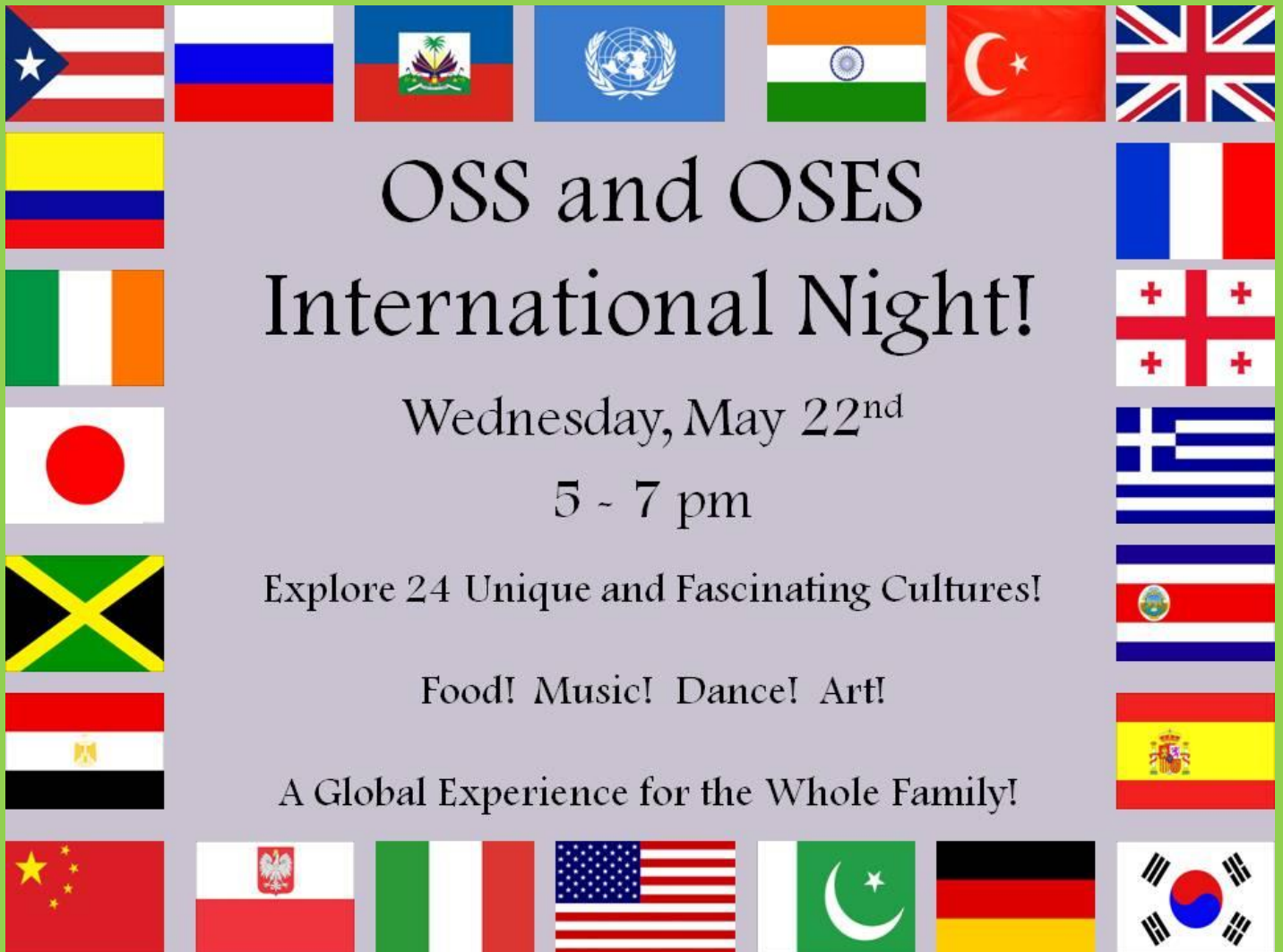


To the Parents of:
Student Name
Address
City, State Zip

OSS International Night

OSS and OSES are proud to bring back International Night on Wednesday, May 22nd from 5-7pm. We invite everyone to come and explore a variety of cultures. Each participating teacher's room has been transformed into an embassy and parents and students are invited to walk freely through the school to experience the vast culture that each of our 24 countries have to offer.

Volunteers to help design and provide cultural items, foods, music or clothing are welcomed to help us represent these cultures to the fullest. A full list of countries, teachers and contact info will be emailed to parents or you may contact Mr. Parrella for more information at parrella@orlandoscience.org We look forward to seeing you there!



OSS and OSES
International Night!

Wednesday, May 22nd
5 - 7 pm

Explore 24 Unique and Fascinating Cultures!

Food! Music! Dance! Art!

A Global Experience for the Whole Family!

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student will be taking the Biology, Algebra-1, and/or Geometry End of Test Assignments. The detailed schedule is available www.Orlandoscience.org

The EOC Assessments are on the following days.

OSS 2013 EOCT SCHEDULE	
BIOLOGY	5/8/2013
ALGEBRA-I	5/14/2013- 5/15/2013
GEOMETRY	5/22/2013

EOC assessments are computer-based tests (CBT), and your student will have an opportunity to participate in a practice test to become familiar with the software, item types, and online tools he or she will encounter and use during testing.

Please be sure to review the following policies before the day of the test:

If you or your student would like to review the CBT practice test at home, you may download instructions and a practice test (called an "ePAT") at www.FLAssessments.com/ePAT. Your student may practice as often as necessary prior to testing. You may also view Student Tutorials at www.FLAssessments.com/StudentTutorials

Please review the following policies with your student before testing:

■ **Electronic Devices**—If your student is found with ANY electronic devices, including, but not limited to cell phones and smart phones, during testing, including bathroom breaks, his or her test will be invalidated. The best practice is for students to leave devices at home or in their lockers on the day of testing.

■ **Testing Rules Acknowledgment**—All FCAT 2.0 tests includes a Testing Rules Acknowledgment that reads, "I understand the testing rules that were just read to me. If I do not follow these rules, my test score may be invalidated." Prior to testing, test administrators will read the rules to students, and students must acknowledge that they understand the testing rules by signing their names by the statement.

■ **Test Invalidations**—Students are responsible for working on their own during the test and for protecting their answers from being seen by others. If students are caught cheating during testing, their tests will be invalidated. In addition, the FDOE employs a test security company, Caveon Test Security, to analyze student test results to detect unusually similar answer patterns.

■ **Leaving Campus**—If your student leaves campus before completing the test (e.g., for an appointment), he or she WILL NOT be allowed to complete the test. If your student does not feel well on the day of testing, it may be best for him or her to wait and be tested on a make-up day. Please also be mindful to not schedule appointments on testing days.

If you have any questions related to this test administration, you may contact Mr. Yalcin at Yalcin@orlandoscience.org. For more information about the statewide assessment program, visit the FDOE website at <http://fcat.fldoe.org/>. Thank you for supporting your student as he/she prepares for testing.

Necati Sahin

Principal

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**ORLANDO SCIENCE SCHOOLS
SCIENCE OLYMPIAD TEAM
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Our Science Olympiad Team won 1st place in the recent state competition.

This means that we are going to be competing at the National Science Olympiad in Ohio on May 17th and 18th. With about one month to prepare, we are seeking donations to support our teams' efforts to win a National Championship. Our students and coaches are working very hard. Let's do our part to help.

What is Science Olympiad?

Science Olympiad competitions are like academic track meets, consisting of a series of 23 team events in each division. Each year, a portion of the events are rotated to reflect the ever-changing nature of genetics, earth science, chemistry, anatomy, physics, geology, mechanical engineering and technology. By combining events from all disciplines, Science Olympiad encourages a wide cross-section of students to get involved. Emphasis is placed on active, hands-on group participation. Through Science Olympiad, students, teachers, parents, principals and business leaders bond together and work toward a shared goal. To find out more about Science Olympiad, please visit their website at www.soinc.org

The following is a detailed list of the areas that are in need of financial donations:

- Team Shirts
- Team Transportation – Airfare and Van Rental
- Team Hotel Rooms and Meals
- Building Event Supplies
- Science Olympiad Study Books
- Team Costumes for Opening Ceremony and Parade and Team Gift Exchange
- Team Sponsorship - Gold Level Includes Your Large Size Company Logo on Team Shirts - \$1,000
Silver Level Includes Your Medium Size Company Logo on Team Shirts - \$500
Bronze Level Includes Your Small Company Logo on Team Shirts - \$250

Your Name _____ Amount _____

Please choose an event you'd like to sponsor. All donations are tax deductible.

Cash and checks are accepted. Checks can be made out to OSS.

Please send in by May 1st.

As always, your support is greatly appreciated.

CHARTER SCHOOL MEALS

May 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Breakfast Selections	Breakfast Breaks (Kix) Assorted Milk	Whole Grain Pop tarts (1pkg) Cheese Stick 100% Fruit Juice	Apple Frudel Cheese Stick Diced Fruit Cup Assorted Milk	Breakfast Breaks (Fruity Cheerios) Assorted Milk	Banana Muffin Yogurt Diced Peach Cup Assorted Milk	Breakfast Selections
			1 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Sweet Potato Waffles Lettuce and Tomato Cup Diced Pears Choice of Milk	2 Hot Turkey and Swiss in WG Bun Potato Smiles BBQ Baked Beans Orange Wedges	3 Turkey Cold Cut Combo Garden Side Salad Baby Carrots Sliced Apples Choice of Milk	4
5	6 Southwest Burrito Little Bites Red Beans Corn Strawberry Cup Choice of Milk	7 Beef or Turkey Burger on WG Bun Baby Carrots Potato Crinkles Pineapple Spear Choice of Milk	8 Philly Stuffers Broccoli Lettuce/Tomato Cups Diced Pears Choice of Milk	9 BBQ Shredded Turkey on WG Bun BBQ Baked Beans Baked Sweet Potato Crinkle Cut Fresh Grapes	10 Chicken Fajita Wrap Mixed Vegetables Garden Side Salad Peaches Choice of Milk	11
12	13 BBQ Shredded Pork Wrap Baked Sweet Potato Waffle Cut Vegetarian Beans Tangerine Choice of Milk	14 Fish Sticks Dinner Roll Potato Smiles Cole Slaw Cantaloupe Spears Choice of Milk	15 Beef Teriyaki Brown Rice Stir Fry Vegetables Spinach Pineapple Chunks Choice of Milk	16 Shredded Turkey Fajitas Steamed Broccoli Mexicali Corn Pears Choice of Milk	17 Turkey and Cheese Sub Sandwich Garden Side Salad w/ 1/4c Garbanzo Beans Veggie Dippers Granny Smith Apple	18
19	20 Tangerine Chicken Lo Mein Noodles Spinach Stir Fry Vegetables Sliced Apples Choice of Milk	21 Turkey Hot Dog on WG Bun BBQ Baked Beans Baked Sweet Potato Crinkles Mandarin Oranges Choice of Milk	22 Roasted Chicken Mashed Potatoes California Blend Vegetables Fresh from Florida Watermelon WG Dinner Roll Choice of Milk	23 Turkey Lasagna Rolls Cauliflower Lettuce and Tomato Cup Fresh Grapes Choice of Milk	24 Turkey Cuban Sandwich Garden Side Salad Baby Carrots Peach Cup	25
26	27 HOLIDAY	28 Sloppy Nachos Grande Sweet Potato Waffles Seasoned Black Beans Fresh Grapes(Pkg) Choice of Milk	29 Philly Stuffer Italian Blend Vegetables Popeye Salad Pineapple Tidbits Choice of Milk	30 Turkey Burrito Bowl Red Beans Corn Cantaloupe Spears(Pkg) WG Dinner Roll Choice of Milk	31 Turkey Ham on WG Bun Veggie Dippers Garden Side Salad Granny Smith Apple Choice of Milk	1
2	3 Chicken Nuggets with Brown Rice Corn Cobbettes Vegetarian Beans (1/2c) Pears Choice of Milk	4 Macaroni and Cheese Broccoli Cooked Carrots Mandarin Oranges WG Breadstick Choice of Milk	5 Chicken Patty on WG Bun Peas and Carrots Green Beans Fruit Side Kicks Choice of Milk	6 No School	7 No School	

Lunch

\$1.80 elementary
\$2.50 middle/high

breakfast
\$1.25 elementary and 6th grade only