



# 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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Dear Students & Parents,

Another Fantastic week at OSS!

Make sure you are staying up to date on OSS' Upcoming events on page 2 for all the end of year events then check page 4 for a peek at the past.

OSS is proud to announce that our high school has been ranked by the Washington Post as one of the top schools in the country. Please read page 11 for more information concerning this auspicious award!

Please read page 7 to help our Robotics students to further their education with the Raytheon/FIRST Robotics Scholarship Program.

Please read page 4 for your student's Assessment dates and plan accordingly to ensure the best possible results!

OSS is excited to offer a field trip to Polytechnic University; for more information, read page 10.

And as always, our yummy lunch menu on page 13.  
Sincerely,

**Nzcati Sahin, Principal**  
"Orlando Science Middle/High

*Intellectual growth should commence at birth and cease only at death. ~ Albert Einstein*

## OSS Upcoming Events

1. Relay for Life-May 1<sup>st</sup> – Timber Creek
2. Gradventure, May 8<sup>th</sup> for 8<sup>th</sup> graders-Universal
3. OSS/OSES Spring Concert - May 14<sup>th</sup>
4. National Science Olympiad- May 15<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup>
5. Senior/Junior Prom- May 22<sup>nd</sup>
6. Senior Graduation- May 27<sup>th</sup>
7. Spring Play-May 28<sup>th</sup>
8. International Night- May 29<sup>th</sup>
9. 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation- June 2<sup>nd</sup>
10. Last Day of School –June 3<sup>rd</sup>

<b>2014-2015 Report Card Dates for Parents</b>	
<b>1st Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, September 19, 2014</b>
<b>1st Quarter Report Card</b>	<b>Wednesday, October 22, 2014</b>
<b>2nd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, November 21, 2014</b>
<b>2nd Quarter Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, January 15, 2015</b>
<b>3rd Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, February 20, 2015</b>
<b>3rd Quarter Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, March 19, 2015</b>
<b>4th Quarter Progress Report Card</b>	<b>Friday, May 1, 2015</b>
<b>4th Quarter Report Card</b>	<b>Wednesday, June 3, 2015</b>

<b>2014-2015 Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) Days</b>		
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, October 1, 2014	4:00PM - 6:00 PM
	Friday, October 3, 2014	4:30PM - 6:30 PM
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, December 17, 2014	4:00PM - 6:00 PM
	Thursday, December 18, 2014	4:30PM - 6:30 PM
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, March 4, 2015	4:00PM - 6:00 PM
	Friday, March 6, 2015	4:30PM - 6:30 PM
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Quarter</b>	Wednesday, May 13, 2015	4:30PM - 6:30 PM
	Friday, May 15, 2015	4:30PM - 6:30 PM

**I will send out an email two weeks prior to each of these to dates to book appointments**

**FOLLOW OSS ON SOCIAL MEDIA.**

**CLICK THE LINKS BELOW TO FOLLOW:**

[//www.facebook.com/pages/Orlando-Science-Schools/154057237991183](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Orlando-Science-Schools/154057237991183)

<http://www.twitter.com/OrlScience>



<http://www.youtube.com/user/orlandosciencesch>



<https://plus.google.com/102858198295834356844/posts>



<http://orlandoscienceschools.blogspot.com/>



# Orlando Science Schools Assessment Calendar



Dates	Assessment	Grades	Location	
Monday, April 13, 2015	FCAT 2.0 Science Sessions 1 and 2	8th	TBD	
Monday, April 13, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	6th	Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, April 14, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	6th	Room 125	Room 124
Thursday, April 16, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	7th	Room 125	Room 124
Friday, April 17, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	7th	Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, April 21, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	8th	Room 125	Room 124
Wed, April 22, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	8th	Room 125	Room 124
Thursday, April 23, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	9th, 10th	Room 125	Room 124
Friday, April 24, 2015	FSA English Language Arts	9th, 10th	Room 125	Room 124
Monday, April 27, 2015	FSA Mathematics	6th	Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, April 28, 2015	FSA Mathematics	6th	Room 125	Room 124
Thursday, April 30, 2015	FSA Mathematics	7th, 8th	Room 125	Room 124
Friday, May 01, 2015	FSA Mathematics	7th, 8th	Room 125	
Monday, May 04, 2015	Civics		Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, May 05, 2015	Civics		Room 125	Room 124
Wed., May 06, 2015	US History		Room 125	Room 124
Thursday, May 07, 2015	Algebra 2, Geometry		Room 125	Room 124
Friday, May 08, 2015	Algebra 2, Geometry		Room 125	Room 124
Monday, May 11, 2015	Geometry		Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, May 12, 2015	Geometry		Room 125	Room 124
Wed, May 13, 2015	Algebra 1		Room 125	Room 124
Thursday, May 14, 2015	Algebra 1		Room 125	Room 124
Monday, May 18, 2015	Biology 1		Room 125	Room 124
Tuesday, May 19, 2015	Biology 1		Room 125	Room 124
Wed, May 20, 2015	Biology 1		Room 125	Room 124
May 4 - 29, 2015	All full-year courses not covered by national or state	Specific dates are not available yet		
<b>AP Exam Dates</b>	<b>Morning 8 a.m.</b>	<b>Afternoon 12 noon</b>	<b>Room</b>	
Monday, May 04, 2015	Chemistry	Psychology		TBD
Tuesday, May 05, 2015	Calculus AB			TBD
Wed, May 06, 2015				
Thursday, May 07, 2015	Computer Science A			TBD
Friday, May 08, 2015	United States History	European His.		TBD
Monday, May 11, 2015				
Tuesday, May 12, 2015	United States Gov. and Politics			TBD
Wed, May 13, 2015	English Language and Composition			TBD
Thursday, May 14, 2015	World History			TBD

\*\*\* Testing days may change according to update from the school district and state.

\*\*\*Please also be aware that changes on test dates may happen in a case of internal and external technological problems

## This Week in History

# First Boston Marathon run

On April 19, 1897, the first Boston Marathon is run in Boston, Massachusetts. John J. McDermott of New York ran the 24.5-mile course of the all-male event in a winning time of 2:55:10.

The first modern marathon was held at the 1896 Olympics in Athens. The 24.8-mile course was based on the distance run by Greek soldier Pheidippides from the plains of Marathon to Athens, where he carried the news of the Greek army's victory over Persia. Following the inaugural Olympic marathon, John Graham, the manager for the U.S.'s first Olympic marathon squad, was inspired to establish the Boston Marathon, with assistance from businessman Herbert Holton. The 24.5-mile route started at Metcalf's Mill in Ashland, Massachusetts, and ended at Boston's Irvington Street Oval near Copley Square. Fifteen men participated in the inaugural race, known at the time as the American Marathon. It was held on April 19, Patriots' Day, a holiday celebrated in Massachusetts and Maine in honor of the start of the Revolutionary War. In 1969, Patriots' Day was officially moved to the third Monday of every April and the Boston Marathon has been run on that day ever since.

The Olympic marathon distance was changed at the 1908 games in London after King Edward VII and Queen Alexandria requested that the race start at Windsor Castle. The distance between the Olympic stadium and the castle was 26 miles and race organizers added 385 yards around a track so the athletes could finish in front of a royal viewing box. In 1924, the Boston Marathon course was increased to 26 miles, 385 yards to comply with Olympic standards, and the starting line was switched from Ashland to the town of Hopkinton.

In 1970, the Boston Marathon introduced qualifying standards and participants had to submit proof they could run the race within a designated time. In 1972, Nina Kuscsik became the Boston Marathon's first female winner, following the Amateur Athletics Union's decision the year before to allow women to compete in long-distance road races. Kuscsik, who finished with a time of 3:10:26, was one of eight women who ran the race that year. In 1975, Boston became the first major marathon to include a wheelchair division. In 1986, prize money was awarded to Boston Marathon winners for the first time. John A. Kelley, who ran his first Boston Marathon in 1928, holds the record for most races started (61) and most completed (58). Kelley won Boston in 1935 and 1945 and participated in his last race in 1992 at age 84.

Today, the Boston Marathon, considered one of the world's most prestigious road races, attracts professional and amateur runners from around the world. The event's centennial running, on April 15, 1986, had 38,708 entrants and 35,868 finishers.

# HISTORY



**Share with everyone  
you know!!!!**

Orlando Science Schools is excited to announce its expansion into Seminole County, Florida with the opening of Seminole Science Charter School serving the needs of k-8 beginning with k-5 for the 2015-16 school year.

Seminole Science Charter School will maintain the legacy of Orlando Science Schools by offering the S.T.E.M., Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, curricula to launch its students into the future of education now. SCS will offer not only an advanced small class (16:1 student-teacher ratio) curriculum but social opportunities that help create a condensed fellowship of students, staff and parents that will maintain an intimate environment of learning with common aspirations.

[WWW.SEMINOLESCIENCE.ORG](http://WWW.SEMINOLESCIENCE.ORG)





Raytheon/FIRST Robotics Scholarship program will assist FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) or FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) team members who plan to continue their education beyond high school. Scholarships are offered each year for full-time, undergraduate study at an accredited institution of the student's choice. You can get more information from the link below. Students can complete the registration form in the link below.

### Eligibility

Applicants to the Raytheon/FIRST Robotics Scholarship Program must be:

- Students who have participated on a FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) or FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) team in high school AND
- High school seniors who plan to enroll or students who are already enrolled in full-time\* undergraduate study at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school.

*\*Full-time study is defined as full-time enrollment for the entire upcoming academic year.*

For more information and apply the scholarship, please click the link below.

<https://www.scholarshipamerica.org/firstrobotics/>

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 4th thru 8th

Our Teachers at Orlando Science Schools are the Best!!!

**We hope you let your child's teachers know how much they are appreciated!  
Ms. Becc is planning to provide a treat each day of the week finishing up with a  
lunch on Friday**

**We are looking for your support in 2 ways:**

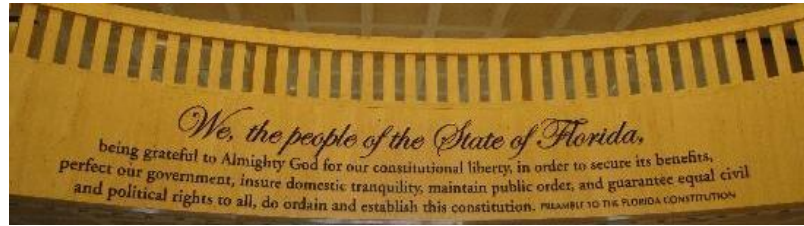
- 1) Monetary Donations**
- 2) Donations of Snacks, Chips, Drinks or Desserts  
(prepackage please, due to food allergies and restrictions )**

**If you are interested in donating or helping with the luncheon,  
Please contact Becc Lester at [becc@orlandoscience.org](mailto:becc@orlandoscience.org) or 407-253-7304 ext 100  
by Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

**Any donations can be dropped off with Ms. Becc at the front desk.**







Orlando Science Schools' 7<sup>th</sup> grade students visited the capitol building in Tallahassee on April 7th. This was an educational, inspirational, and awe-inspiring trip. The students had the opportunity to talk with Senators and the House of Representatives and asked them various questions concerning the government in general. The senators and representatives were pleasantly surprised with the questions and the students' interest about the government. After the meetings, the students visited the old capitol building and also participated in the Jimmy Buffett concert. Orlando Science Schools is very thankful to Ms. Branly, Mr. Dag, Ms. Lazarowski, Mr. Sanan and Ms. Santos for their time to provide a successful learning experience for our students.



# Orlando Science

is going to the  
Florida's Heart of High Tech

## FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

**Future Engineers!**

**This trip is for you!**

May 27th 8:30am-1:00pm

8th,9th,10th and 11th graders

Fee: \$10 First Come First Serve!

50 seats available!

See Mr. I at room 116

for consent forms and details



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Extraordinary.

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## Orlando Science High Schools Ranked Nationally<sup>11</sup>

The Washington Post released an article naming the top 2300 Most Challenging Top Ranked Schools in the Nation with OSHS coming in at # 56!

This ranking puts Orlando Science High School in the top 1% in the country.

The criteria included Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate and Advanced International Certificate of Education tests given at a school each year and divide by the number of seniors who graduated in May or June.

We are so proud to be named and are truly humbled and proud of our students!



The National Junior and National Honor Societies in conjunction with high school Rho Kappa club will be hosting dress down days to help raise money for Relay for Life. The dress down cost will be \$3 per day or \$10 for all four days. Please remember that all dress down day rules still apply. The days are:

April 29—Color Wars. Each grade level will have a different color to wear. Dress in the color of your grade to show your school spirit and donate to a great cause.



April 30—Sports Day. Wear your sport gear to support your favorite sports team. Please note, all dress down day rules will still apply (no bare shoulders, no helmets, etc.)

May 1—Disney/Marvel Day. Wear your Disney or Marvel apparel. Please note, all dress down day rules will still apply (no costumes, no props, etc).

May 4—Twin Day. Find a friend and share the fun as you coordinate the same outfit.

# April 2015

# Charter School Hot Lunch W/Pizza

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Breakfast Selections</b>	Assorted Cereals w/ Toast Apple Slices	Strawberry Pop Tart Apple Juice	Super Stars Cinnamon (2) Oranges	Bagel with Cream Cheese Orange Juice	Assorted Cereals w/Toast Raisins	<b>Breakfast Selections</b> <hr/> 9-12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Tuesdays serve two- 1.76oz packs of pop tarts Daily – Offering 1 cup
	<u>Choice of Milk</u>	<u>Choice of Milk</u>	<u>Choice of Milk</u>	<u>Choice of Milk</u>	<u>Choice of Milk</u>	
	30 Breaded Chicken Sandwich Sweet Potato Chunks Stir Fry Vegetables <del>Pineapple tidbits</del> <i>Apple sauce</i>	31 Montego Bay Roasted Chicken w/ brown seasoned rice Cuban Style Black Beans Sautéed Spinach w/ Garlic <del>Apple sauce</del> <i>Diced Peas</i>	1 Baked Ziti with Meat Sauce and Garlic toast Italian Blend Vegetables Seamed Carrots Red Apple	2 Cheese/Hamburgers Mashed Potatoes Corn Grapes	3 Cheese Pizza Veggie Dippers Italian Blend Vegetable Assorted Juice	
5	6 Ravioli with Garlic Toast Glazed Carrots Broccoli Side Kicks	7 Cheese Pizza Corn Sweet Potato Chunks Grapes	8 All Beef Hotdog Shoestring Fries Coleslaw Apple Slices	9 Beef Taco Nachos Charro Pinto Beans Baby Carrots Golden Apple	10 Breaded Chicken Sandwich Toss Salad Mixed Vegetables Mixed Fruit	11
12	13 Mac and Cheese with dinner roll Veggie Dippers Italian Blend Vegetable Fruit Pearls	14 Popcorn Chicken with Dinner roll Mashed Potato Corn Sliced Apples	15 Hamburger/Cheeseburger Baked Beans Sautéed Spinach w/ Garlic Orange Wedges	16 Baked Ziti with Meat Sauce and Garlic toast Italian Blend Vegetables Seamed Carrots Red Apple	17 Cheese Pizza Sweet Potato Chunks Stir Fry Vegetables Assorted Juice	1
19	20 Breaded Chicken Sandwich Sweet Potato Chunks Stir Fry Vegetables Pineapple tidbits	21 Montego Bay Roasted Chicken w/ brown seasoned rice Cuban Style Black Beans Sautéed Spinach w/ Garlic Applesauce	22 Baked Ziti with Meat Sauce and Garlic toast Italian Blend Vegetables Seamed Carrots Red Apple	23 Cheese/Hamburgers Mashed Potatoes Corn Grapes	24 Cheese Pizza Veggie Dippers Italian Blend Vegetable Assorted Juice	25