



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,

Another Excellent week at OSS!

OSS is constantly growing and reaching out to the global community in hopes to be a part of something bigger than ourselves. OSS will be selling black ribbons in order to help the victims of the tragedy in Nepal, please read page 7 on how you can help.

Check out page 2 for all the upcoming events here at OSS and then jump down to page 5 for a peek into the past.

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

OSS is proud to announce that our high school has been ranked by the Washing Post as one of the top schools in the country; check out page 6 to read more about it.

Make sure you check out page 8 for important End of Year information.

And as always, our yummy lunch menu on page 11.

Sincerely,

Nzeati Sahin, Principal
"Orlando Science Middle/High

"Children want the same things we want.
To laugh, to be challenged, to be entertained, and
delighted." ~ Dr. Seuss

OSS Upcoming Events

1. National Science Olympiad- May 15th -16th
2. Senior/Junior Prom- May 22nd
3. Senior Graduation- May 27th
4. Spring Play-May 28th
5. International Night- May 29th
6. 8th grade graduation- June 2nd
7. Last Day of School –June 3rd

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

| 2014-2015 Parent Teacher Conference (PTC) Days | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 1st Quarter | Wednesday, October 1, 2014 4:00PM - 6:00 PM |
| | Friday, October 3, 2014 4:30PM - 6:30 PM |
| 2nd Quarter | Wednesday, December 17, 2014 4:00PM - 6:00 PM |
| | Thursday, December 18, 2014 4:30PM - 6:30 PM |
| 3rd Quarter | Wednesday, March 4, 2015 4:00PM - 6:00 PM |
| | Friday, March 6, 2015 4:30PM - 6:30 PM |
| 4th Quarter | 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:

<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 | | |
| AP Exam Dates | Morning 8 a.m. | Afternoon 12 noon | Room | |
| 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

Lewis and Clark depart

One year after the United States doubled its territory with the Louisiana Purchase, the Lewis and Clark expedition leaves St. Louis, Missouri, on a mission to explore the Northwest from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean.

Even before the U.S. government concluded purchase negotiations with France, President Thomas Jefferson commissioned his private secretary Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, an army captain, to lead an expedition into what is now the U.S. Northwest. On May 14, the “Corps of Discovery”—featuring approximately 45 men (although only an approximate 33 men would make the full journey)—left St. Louis for the American interior.

The expedition traveled up the Missouri River in a 55-foot long keelboat and two smaller boats. In November, Toussaint Charbonneau, a French-Canadian fur trader accompanied by his young Native American wife Sacagawea, joined the expedition as an interpreter. The group wintered in present-day North Dakota before crossing into present-day Montana, where they first saw the Rocky Mountains. On the other side of the Continental Divide, they were met by Sacagawea’s tribe, the Shoshone Indians, who sold them horses for their journey down through the Bitterroot Mountains. After passing through the dangerous rapids of the Clearwater and Snake rivers in canoes, the explorers reached the calm of the Columbia River, which led them to the sea. On November 8, 1805, the expedition arrived at the Pacific Ocean, the first European explorers to do so by an overland route from the east. After pausing there for the winter, the explorers began their long journey back to St. Louis.

On September 23, 1806, after almost two and a half years, the expedition returned to the city, bringing back a wealth of information about the largely unexplored region, as well as valuable U.S. claims to Oregon Territory

HISTORY

Orlando Science High Schools Ranked Nationally

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!



Orlando Science Schools is part of a global community. When tragedy befalls one, it is up to the community, the family to lend a helping hand.

Nepal has recently suffered a debilitating earthquake, rendering all truly in need. OSS would like to help by having a Black Ribbon Day to help raise funds to meet the demands of clean water, shelter, food and bare necessities for those hit by this challenge.

We will be hosting a field day/carnival day to help raise money for the victims of the Nepal earthquake on May 21, 2015 from 5-6:30. You must buy a black ribbon in order to attend the event. Black ribbons will be on sale all of next week in the morning before school begins. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Frunker in room 148.

Be a Hero.

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, May 25th, 2015

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

It is imperative that you bring them to me ASAP

It needs to be addressed as follows:

Orlando Science Schools
2427 Lynx Lane
Orlando, FL 32804



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

Two Seventh Grade OSS Mathletes Honored for Perfect Scores on SAT College Exams

The Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) announced the names of 64 seventh grade students from across the country who have been named 2015 William and Dorothy C. Bevan Scholars for earning a perfect score on one or more sections of the ACT or SAT.

Bevan Scholarships are given each year to the Duke TIP 7th Grade Talent Search participants who earn the highest possible scores on the ACT or SAT. These scholars are recognized at Duke TIP's Grand Recognition Ceremony at Duke University and are awarded full scholarships to attend TIP's Center for Summer Studies. To be considered for a Bevan Scholarship, students must take the ACT or SAT through Duke TIP in December, January, or February.

Two seventh grade students from Orlando Science Schools Competition Math Program, **Esha Ranade and Sanjana Konda**, took SAT this year and received perfect score (800) in the math portion of SAT. Congratulations to Mathletes for their great success.

Bevan Scholars have distinguished themselves from over 64,400 gifted students who participated in Duke TIP's 2015 7th Grade Talent Search. To qualify for the talent search, seventh grade students must rank in the top 5 percent on grade-level standardized tests. Participants then take the same ACT or SAT given to college-bound high school students as an above-level testing experience to learn more about their academic abilities.

"Duke TIP's Bevan Scholars represent the brightest students in the country," said Martha Putallaz, Duke TIP executive director and professor of psychology and neuroscience at Duke University. "Their ACT or SAT scores as seventh graders surpass those of 99 percent of all college-bound high school students. We are extremely proud of their accomplishment and look forward to supporting their academic growth."

You may see the following link for details about William and Dorothy C. Bevan Scholars.

<http://tip.duke.edu/node/1680>

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Mr. Akyalcin

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The OSS MATHCOUNTS team placed 5th overall in this year's statewide MATHCOUNTS competition, which was held at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Florida. With a notable 10th place ranking (Alexandria Bias), each member of the all-girl team placed in the top 25 among all middle school mathletes in the state of Florida. If our mathletes continue to improve, they could be representing the state in next year's national MATHCOUNTS competition. Congratulations to all mathletes for their great success.

The MATHCOUNTS Competition Series is the only competition program of its kind, with live, in-person events in all 50 states, as well as U.S. territories and schools worldwide through the U.S. Department of Defense and State Department. The Competition Series is ideal for students who have a talent and passion for math who need to be challenged. Students engage in exciting, "bee-style" contests in which they compete against and alongside other bright, motivated students. Students enrolled in the sixth, seventh or eighth grade are eligible to participate in the MATHCOUNTS Competition Series. At the local, state and national level, students win hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships and prizes every year.

Mathcorefy,

Mr. Akyalcin

MAY 2015

Charter School Hot Lunch W/Pizza

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Breakfast Selections | Assorted Cereals w/ Toast Apple Slices | Strawberry Pop Tart Apple Juice | Super Stars Cinnamon (2) Oranges | Bagel with Cream Cheese Orange Juice | Egg, Cheese, Sausage Wrap Raisons | Breakfast Selections 9-12 th 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> | |
| | | | | | 1 Cheese Pizza Toss Salad Mixed Vegetables Mixed Fruit | 2 |
| 3 | 4 Ravioli with Garlic Toast Glazed Carrots Broccoli Side Kicks | 5 Cheese Pizza Corn Sweet Potato Chunks Grapes | 6 All Beef Hotdog Shoestring Fries Coleslaw Apple Slices | 7 Beef Taco Nachos Charro Pinto Beans Baby Carrots Golden Apple | 8 Cheese Pizza Toss Salad Mixed Vegetables Mixed Fruit | 9 |
| 10 | 11 Mac and Cheese with dinner roll Veggie Dippers Italian Blend Vegetable Fruit Pearls | 12 Popcorn Chicken with Dinner roll Mashed Potato Corn Sliced Apples | 13 Hamburger/Cheeseburger Baked Beans Sautéed Spinach w/ Garlic Orange Wedges | 14 Baked Ziti with Meat Sauce and Garlic toast Italian Blend Vegetables Steamed Carrots Red Apple | 15 Cheese Pizza Sweet Potato Chunks Stir Fry Vegetables Assorted Juice | 16 |
| 17 | 18 Breaded Chicken Sandwich Mixed Vegetables Toss Salad Mixed Fruit | 19 Breaded Chicken Legs Shoestring Fries Coleslaw Apple Slices | 20 Taco Nachos Charro Pinto Beans Carrots Strawberry Cups | 21 Chicken Enchiladas Corn Sweet Potato Chunks Grapes | 22 Ravioli with Garlic Toast Glazed Carrots Broccoli Side Kicks | 23 |
| 24 | 25 Vacation | 26 Chicken Patty on bun Mashed Potato Corn Sliced Apples | 27 Hamburger/Cheeseburger Sautéed Spinach w/ Garlic Steamed Carrots Orange Wedges | 28 All Beef Hot Dog Baked Beans Italian Blend Vegetables Red Apple | 29 Cheese Pizza Sweet Potato Chunks Stir Fry Vegetables Assorted Juice | 30 |

Middle School

| Date | | Course |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------------|
| Monday | 5/18/2015 | M/J COMPREHENSIVE - GRADE 6/7 |
| | | M/J COMPREHENSIVE - GRADE 6/7 |
| | | M/J COMPREHENSIVE - GRADE 7/8 |
| | | |
| Tuesday | 5/19/2015 | M/J RESEARCH 1/Science Olympiad |
| | | M/J RESEARCH 1/Science Olympiad |
| | | M/J RESEARCH 1/Turkish Culture |
| | | M/J RESEARCH 1/Spanish Culture |
| | | M/J RESEARCH 1/Science Olympiad |
| | | M/J CRITICAL THINKING/Model UN |
| | | M/J CRITICAL THINKING/Writing |
| | | M/J TEAMSPORTS - GRADE 7 |
| | | M/J TEAMSPORTS - GRADE 7 |
| | | M/J BAND 1 |
| Wednesday | 5/20/2015 | M/J EARTH/SPACE SCIENCE |
| | | M/J EARTH/SPACE SCIENCE, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J LIFE SCIENCE |
| | | M/J LIFE SCIENCE, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J PHYSICAL SCIENCE |
| Thursday | 5/21/2015 | M/J MUSIC THEORY 1 |
| | | M/J MUSIC THEORY 2 |
| | | |
| Friday | 5/22/2015 | M/J WORLD HISTORY |
| | | M/J WORLD HISTORY, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J UNITED STATES HISTORY & CAREER PLANNING |
| Tuesday | 5/26/2015 | M/J SPANISH, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J SPANISH, BEGINNING |
| | | M/J SPANISH, INTERMEDIATE |
| Wednesday | 5/27/2015 | M/J TURKISH, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J TURKISH, ADVANCED |
| | | M/J TURKISH, INTERMEDIATE |
| | | |
| Thursday | 5/28/2015 | EXPLORING INFO. TECH. CAREERS / Computer |

High School

| Date | | Course |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Monday | 5/18/2015 | CHEMISTRY 1 HONORS |
| | | 3-D ANIMATION TECHNOLOGY 1/LEVEL 2 |
| | | RESEARCH 2 |
| | | ENGLISH HONORS 4 |
| Tuesday | 5/19/2015 | ADVANCED TOPICS IN MATHEMATICS |
| | | CREATIVE WRITING 2 |
| | | DEBATE 1 |
| | | ECONOMICS WITH FINANCIAL LITERACY |
| | | RESEARCH 1 (Sci Oly) |
| | | RESEARCH 1 (Model UN) |
| | | BASKETBALL |
| | | |
| Wednesday | 5/20/2015 | MUSIC THEORY 1 |
| | | WORLD HISTORY |
| | | WORLD HISTORY HONORS |
| | | PHYSICS 1 HONORS |
| | | |
| Thursday | 5/21/2015 | HOPE-PHYSICAL EDUCATION (CORE) |
| | | PRE-CALCULUS HONORS |
| | | ADVANCED TOPICS IN MATHEMATICS |
| Friday | 5/22/2015 | RESEARCH 2 |
| | | RESEARCH 2 |
| | | |
| Tuesday | 5/26/2015 | RESEARCH 1 (Intro Engineering) |
| | | |
| Wednesday | 5/27/2015 | SPANISH 1 |
| | | SPANISH 2 |
| | | SPANISH 3 HONORS |
| | | TURKISH 1 |
| | | TURKISH 2 |
| | | |