



January 2022 Board Report

Random Drug Testing

As of January 10, we have 132 results from students who have been chosen for random testing so far this school year at Oregon High School. All 132 have been negative.

Social Media

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) has 1,229 followers as of January 10. The Instagram feed GoOregonHawks has 506 following.

Team GPA's

We will begin the process of determining team GPA's for fall sports now that the first semester has ended. Teams with a GPA of over 3.0 earn the IHSA Academic Team Award.

Positive Coaching Alliance

We will be entering an agreement to partner with Positive Coaching Alliance to provide professional development for our district coaches. From their website:

"Positive Coaching Alliance's mission is to provide research-based training and resources for coaches, parents, athletes, and leaders to ensure a positive youth development experience for ALL kids, in all communities across the U.S., through sports. PCA helps to ensure sports are 'done right' with programming that is research-based and designed to have impact at three levels in a youth sports organization or school:

- YOUTH experience improved life skills and character development.*
- COACHES become more positive and increase their focus on using sports to teach life lessons.*
- YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS AND SCHOOLS see their cultures become more positive and everyone involved has more fun.*

*PCA believes that all youth can benefit from a positive, inclusive sports culture that develops social and emotional skills, molds character, and prepares them for competition and life. In more than two decades of work, PCA expanded from a small local nonprofit to a strong, nationwide organization that provides programming in all 50 states, reaching thousands of organizations around the country and positively impacting millions of youth athletes every year. PCA has now partnered with roughly 3,500 schools and youth sports organizations nationwide to deliver more than 20,000 live group workshops, reaching **over 20 million** youth."*

Winter Sports Update:

We are facing rising Covid challenges as multiple events are being cancelled or postponed weekly, either by us or by our opponents. So far, we have been able to get in the following:

Wrestling – The OHS wrestling team has a 13-5 record in dual meets as of Jan. 10. The team participated in the annual Abe's Rumble meet in Springfield over Christmas break and performed very well, going 8-1 in those matches.

Boys Basketball – As of Jan. 10, the varsity team has a record of 2-7 while the JV squad is 10-9. Numerous varsity games were cancelled or postponed in December due to Covid.

Girls Basketball – As of Jan. 10, the varsity girls currently hold a 6-14 mark while the JV squad is 2-16.

Boys Bowling – As of Jan. 10, the boys bowlers have a 14-3 record. The boys post-season starts with the Regional at Sterling on Sat. January 15.

Girls Bowling – As of Jan. 10, the girls bowlers have a 6-4 record.

JH Wrestling and JH Girls Basketball – Practice for these two groups started on Wednesday, January 5.

Respectfully submitted,

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