

# OREGON *Hawks*

## September 2017 Board Report

### Random Drug Testing

Random drug testing commenced at both OHS and DLR on Monday, August 21. As of Sept. 12, 27 of 27 results have been negative at OHS.

### Fall Participation

The following are the participation numbers for teams that have started so far this fall at OHS:

	<u>Sept 2017</u>	<u>Sept 2016</u>	<u>Sept 2015</u>	<u>Sept 2014</u>
Football	51	49	52	51
Boys Soccer	24	24	30	36
Cross Country	26	23	18	19
Volleyball	31	29	35	32
Golf	17	15	19	16
<i>Total</i>	<i>149</i>	<i>140</i>	<i>154</i>	<i>154</i>

Despite our declining enrollment, participation numbers for the fall season have remained fairly steady. Note that the soccer drop is largely attributed to girls no longer being on the team since 2016 as they now have their own squad in the spring.

### Communications

#### Twitter

We now have 913 followers on the Athletic Department Twitter account. Last year at this time we had 799.

### Big Northern Conference Leadership Summit

On Tuesday, August 22, the BNC held its' first ever Leadership/Sportsmanship Conference for Student-Athletes. The event was held at Prairie View Golf Course in Byron. Six junior athletes from Oregon along with Coaches Virgil and Schneiderman attended the event representing Oregon. Scott Rosberg from ProActive Coaching USA led the presentation.



### **Weekend of September 2-3**

The weekend of Friday & Saturday, September 2 & 3 was again one of the busiest of the year for OHS activities as we hosted three major athletic events. Included were:

- 16 team varsity volleyball invitational in the Blackhawk Center and OHS Gym Friday night and Saturday
- Eight team JV soccer invitational at Park West Friday night and Saturday
- The Oregon Cross Country Open which had twenty-four high school teams and fifteen junior high teams attend. A total of nearly 1,000 runners from 27 high school teams and 15 Jr. High teams were entered in the various races (HS boys varsity, HS girls varsity, HS boys open, HS girls open, JH boys, JH girls).

### **Fall Sports**

Volleyball – As of Sept. 11, the varsity volleyball team has a record of 7-2. The team took 5<sup>th</sup> out of 16 teams at the OHS Tournament. The sophomore team has a record of 0-4 while the freshmen are 2-3.

Golf – Through September 12, the boys' golf team has a conference record of 2-5 and are 5-7 overall. The girls' team, playing with many players new to the sport, has a record of 1-6 mark overall, 1-3 in conference matches.

Football – Through Week 3, the varsity football team had a 1-2 record with a opening win over Harvard and losses to Dixon and North Boone. The sophomores are also 1-2. For the first time in several seasons, we have enough freshman players to play some games at the level. Currently, our freshman are 1-1.

Cross Country –The season opened at the Rocket Run in Rock Falls on August 25 where the boys and girls both finished in sixth place of eleven teams. The home portion of the season opened on Saturday, Sept. 6 at the Oregon Open at Park West. No team scores were kept for this event. At the annual Oregon Seven Person Meet, the boys finished 4<sup>th</sup> and the girls finished fifth out of five teams. On Sept. 9, the teams travelled to Peoria for the annual First To The Finish Meet. The boys finished 37<sup>th</sup> of 55 in the 1A division while the girls finished 29<sup>th</sup> of 44.

Soccer –Through September 14, the varsity team has a record of 2-7-2, 1-3 in conference play. The program has hosted two tournaments at Park West so far – the 10 team varsity tournament on August 25 & 26 and eight team JV tournament on the weekend of Sept. 1 & 2. Thanks again to the soccer parents who helped run these events and especially to & Jim/Vicki Zalzalalah who did much of the planning and preparation.

### **Coming Up**

Oregon has been awarded as host for several IHSA post-season events this fall. Those are

- Class 1A girls' golf regional tournament
- Class 2A boys' soccer regional tournament
- Class 2A girls volleyball sectional
- Class 1A boys & girls cross country sectional

Oregon will also host the Rt. 72 Conference Jr. High Volleyball Tournament September 30.

Respectfully submitted,

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