To: Dr. Mahoney Board of Education From: Heidi Deininger Re: December Board Report Date: December 14, 2021



Academics

- Notified by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission that we have seven Illinois State Scholars; Jenae Bothe, Isaac Brooks, Wesley Immel, Faith Marquardt, Abigayle Miller, Jessi Suter, Megan Thompson. We will be recognizing these students at a basketball game (half time) in January.
- We will be having intervention days for all students who are failing classes as of Dec 16. Students will report to school on Dec 20-21 to work with their teachers in attempt to pass classes. They will be making up assessments they did poorly on and completing missing work. Students passing all of their classes will be at home.
- School improvement plan: Oregon High School 2021-2022 School Improvement Plan

Student Happenings

- Madrigals took place Dec 10 & 11. The student performers did an amazing job.
- There will be an OHS Band and Choir concert Dec 19th at 2:00
- Student council organized Winter Week this week with dress up days and a door decorating contest.

The Leader in Me

- Leader in Me activities continue to be implemented in Hawk Huddle. Students are engaged and participate weekly
- We will be setting building-wide goals during second semester
- Second semester will be focused on the 4 Disciplines of Execution
- Feel free to join us any Monday during Hawk Huddle (10:35-11:10) to observe our Leader in Me lessons

Implementation of Resources

- The Freshmen team is utilizing ThinkCerca in ELA classes in an effort to improve writing skills
- We continue to increase the number of students utilizing Paper.co; You can look at our monthly report from Paper <u>Here</u>
- Our Social Emotional Interventionist is making a tremendous impact with students at OHS. She is at OHS from 9:30 3:00 most days. She meets with individual students who are struggling with a wide variety of social emotional issues. She also meets with groups of students. She has a girls group which meets to discuss challenges they are facing.



Professional Development

- Dr. Deininger and Kim Radostits are presented a workshop at the Raising Student Achievement Conference in Schaumburg on December 13. We discussed our Hawks Take Flight program and grade level teaming. Our presentation was well –attended. Participants had many questions about what we do at OHS. You can look at our presentation <u>Here</u>
- OHS and DLR continue to work on topics related to the merge of the two schools. Once/month we meet as a full team to discuss and plan. We are meeting Dec 15. We will be doing a walking tour of the building and discussing classes/room utilization.

Equity Work

- Oregon High School is more diverse than ever; the work we are doing around equity is extremely important so every single student in our school feels that they belong here and are respected for being whomever they are
- In January, when we return to school, we will be starting a student club called "Leaders for Change". Here is a description about the club.

This group will allow student voices to discuss topics related to topics of equity and make recommendations to the school on things that will help make OHS a space where every student feels like they belong. Students in this group may discuss topics related to race, socio-economic status, gender, LGBTQ+, and culture, and how these topics may impact students in our school community.