



November 2018 Board Report

Drug Testing

As of Oct. 22, 68 students had been randomly tested at OHS. All results were negative. Also, on Thursday, November 1, KSB returned to the Blackhawk Center to do another round of pre-participation drug testing for athletes that did not have this done in August. Nine families took advantage of this opportunity.

All Conference Selections:

The following OHS athletes earned All-Conference honors for the recently completed fall sports seasons:

Boys Golf - Adam Merrill

Girls Golf - Isabelle Nelson & Elizabeth Villareal (both Hon Ment.)

Girls Cross Country - Leah Watters

Boys Soccer - Josh Sitze (1st tm), Jonathan Acosta (2nd tm), Brigham Finch (HM), Owen Ketter (HM)

Football - Bobby Youngren (1st tm.), Nick Alexander (2nd tm), Zachary Crandall (2nd tm), Dalton Hermes (HM)

Volleyball - Bailey Nelson (1st tm.), McKenna Sadler (2nd tm), Ella Martin (HM)

Athletic Community Service

Football – Football team members performed several services this season. On July 28, they volunteered to work at Etnyre Manufacturing’s Family Fair helping serve food in the main food line and from individual tents, did garbage patrol, worked the event ticket and verification tent, and did bouncy house supervision for kids. Also over the summer, members worked eight hours at the football programs’ Iron Hawks Golf Event Fundraiser. They also helped paint the OHS Weight Room in the Blackhawk Center. This fall, team members also read to elementary students and met with them at lunchtime. 686 service hours were accumulated, a new high for the football program.

Volleyball - OHS players led the youth summer volleyball camp. They led warm up games, drills, and different games to help youth campers PreK-8th grade learn the game of volleyball. Some players ran and planned activities for their own courts. Also, this year, 22 players and the committee members from Volley for the Cure went to the DeKalb Relay for Life event over the summer. They ordered and wore “Find Joy” shirts in honor of Christa Heitter. They donated \$2,723.50 in memory of Christa. At the event they participated in the Opening Ceremony and walked laps to honor the fight against cancer. These events totaled 427 hours of service.

Winter Participation

Winter sports practices have recently commenced. Participation data will be available in the December report.

Athletic Parent Advisory Committee

The Athletic Parent Advisory Committee met for the first time this year on Monday, October 22. Topics discussed included fall participation numbers, pre-participation drug testing, the new Big Northern Conference game format, and the BNC All-Conference selection process.

Twitter/Communication

As of Nov. 10, we have 1,054 followers on the athletic Twitter account @OregonHawks. Last year at this time, we had a total of 929.

Fall Sports

Football – The varsity football team finished the season with a 3-6 record. The sophomore squad finished with a 5-4 record, while the freshmen went 4-0.

Volleyball – The varsity volleyball finished with an overall record of 24-12 and 7-3 in BNC games. They advanced to the regional final before falling to Lena-Winslow. The JV squad was 17-9-1 overall while the freshmen finished 17-12-4.

Soccer – For the fourth year in a row, the Hawks advanced to the IHSA 1A Regional title game. They defeated Byron in the semi-final but fell to Stillman Valley 1-0 in the final. The varsity squad finished with a record of 6-14-3 overall.

Cross Country – The girls team finished in 7th place of 8 at the Big Northern Conference meet while the boys finished 9th of 9 teams. For the first time in several seasons, both the OHS girls and boys' teams qualified for the IHSA sectional meet by finishing in the top 7 at the Winnebago 1A Regional. At the Sectional meet hosted here in Oregon at Park West, OHS had no state qualifiers. The girls team finished 11th of 21 teams while the boys finished 20th of 21.

Jr. High Boys Basketball – The DLR Jr. High season started in October. The 7th grade team finished in 6th place of 8 at the recent DLR Jr. High Invitational while the 8th grade was 8th of 8.

Events recently hosted

- Oregon High School hosted the Class 2A Supersectional volleyball game between Galena and Elgin Harvest Christian on Friday, Nov. 2. There was a nice turnout for the event, especially from Galena.
- OHS hosted the IHSA Class 1A cross country Sectional on October 27 at Park West. Over 300 runners from over 25 schools participated in the event.
- DLR JH Basketball Tournament – Eight 7th grade and eight 8th grade teams participated at the Blackhawk Center on Friday & Saturday, November 9 & 10.
- OHS Girls Basketball Tipoff Classic – Twelve varsity and twelve fresh-soph teams participated at the Blackhawk Center & OHS Gym November 14-17.

Upcoming events:

- OHS Boys Basketball Thanksgiving Tournament – Twelve varsity and fresh-soph teams will participate at the Blackhawk Center & OHS Gym from November 19-24.
- Pack The Place – Boys & Girls Basketball on Friday, November 30 vs Genoa-Kingston.
- Hawk Classic Bowling Invitational – Ten boys and eight girls teams will be participating at Plum Hollow on Saturday, December 1
- OHS Freshman Boys Basketball Tournament – Sixteen teams will participate at the Blackhawk Center and OHS Gym on Dec. 14 & 15.

Respectfully submitted - *Mike Lawton, A.D.*