



February 2018 Board Report

IHSA Academic Awards

We are proud to announce that four varsity OHS fall athletic teams have earned the IHSA Team Academic Achievement Awards for obtaining a team GPA of over 3.0 for the semester during their season. The teams are:

Girls Cross Country – 3.51
Boys Soccer – 3.15
Girls Volleyball – 3.56
Girls Golf – 3.47

Congratulations to these teams on this fine accomplishment!

Conference spring participation info

At the Big Northern Conference A.D. meeting on February 1, several schools announced that due to low numbers, they will not be able to field Fr/Soph softball teams this spring. Several schools will not have JV girls' soccer teams as well. These schools will only field a varsity team in these sports. We will know more about OHS spring levels of play after Feb 26. We are likely on the bubble for both baseball and softball as to whether we will be able to field both a varsity and fr-soph team.

Drug testing

As of February 5, one hundred ninety-six (196) students have been randomly tested so far this school year. All results have been negative. Two students whose names were pulled refused testing and are now ineligible to compete.

Communications/Twitter

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) has 974 followers as of February 9. Last year at this time, there were 841.

Spring Sports

First practices for boys' track were held Feb 13. Girls track will be Feb 20. Baseball/softball/girls' soccer will begin on Mon. Feb 26. Spring participation numbers will be available in the March report.

Recent Events:

Oregon High School hosted the following major events over the past month:

Oregon/KSB Fr-Soph Wrestling Classic – 28 teams participated in the event at the Blackhawk Center on Saturday, January 27.

Rt 72 Solo & Ensemble Contest – Eight Jr. High conference schools participated in the event on Saturday, February 3 at OHS.

IHSA Class 1A Sectional Wrestling Tournament – 35 schools attended the two day event in the Blackhawk Center on Friday/Saturday, February 9 & 10. Over 2,140 tickets were sold, an average of over 700 per session. The IHSA keeps 80% of the gate revenue while 20% will go to our OHS Letterman's Fund. The OHS wrestling program parents did a great job running the concession stand as a big fundraiser.

Big Northern Conference Academic Bowl Tournament – All 11 conference schools will bring Varsity and F/S teams to the event held at Oregon HS on Monday, February 19.

Winter Sport/Activity updates

Boys Basketball – As of Feb. 12, the Hawks had a record of 6-20 overall, 0-9 in BNC play. The sophomore team is 5-16, 1-8. The IHSA Regional tournament will be held beginning the week of Feb. 19 at Rockford Christian. Oregon will play North Boone in the regional opener.

Girls Basketball – The Lady Hawks varsity team finished the season with a 12-18 record, including a 3-7 mark in BNC play, and a second round loss in the IHSA Class 2A Winnebago Regional. The sophomores finished 7-19, 2-7 in the BNC. The freshman team finished with a record of 10-9.

Wrestling – The Hawks finished their regular season with a dual meet record of 19-15, finishing in 5th place of 9 teams at the Winnebago 1A IHSA Regional, and qualifying five wrestlers for the IHSA sectional meet. At our Oregon 1A Sectional, sophomore Jacob Milliman qualified for the state finals by finishing in second place at 113 pounds.

Boys Bowling – At the DeKalb Sectional, junior Austin Strite advanced to the State Finals individually where he ended up finishing in 54th place.

Girls Bowling – The Lady Hawks finished their regular season with a record of 14-2 in dual matches. At the IHSA regional, the Lady Hawks finished in 6th place overall. Three individuals – Rebecca Meyers, Sammantha Meyers, and Caitlyn Kaltenbrun – advanced to the Sectional meet at DeKalb where their season ended.

Academic Bowl – OHS will participate in the Big Northern Tournament on Feb. 19 here at OHS.

Junior High Girls Basketball – The season is underway and DLR will host it's annual tournament in the BHC on Saturday, February 17.

Junior High Wrestling – There are 38 boys out for Jr. High wrestling this year which is up from last season's 29.

Junior High Music – At the Route 72 Conference Solo and Ensemble Contest held on Feb. 3 here at Oregon, DLR & OES participated in 118 events involving 130 students. Oregon receiving 70 Division I ratings, 42 Division II ratings, and 6 Division III ratings. Perfect scores went to Alyssa Leary on her flute solo, Brandon Rowe on his drum set solo, Abi Virgil/Ashley Diehl on their flute duet, and Abi Virgil/Ashley Diehl/Mia Ortega on their flute trio.

Respectfully submitted,

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