



## **May 2018 Board Report**

### **Random Drug testing**

For the 2017-18 school year, 294 OHS students have been randomly tested. All results were negative. Two students refused testing

### **Communications/Twitter**

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) recently went over 1,000 followers. . Last year at this time, we had 877. Twitter has again been an effective method of announcing the many cancellations/postponements this spring.

### **Big Northern Conference Levels of Play Changes for 2018-19**

The Big Northern Conference recently approved a reclassification for levels of play in volleyball, boys and girls basketball, baseball, and softball starting in the fall. Football will remain the same. Changes are as follows:

	Old Classification	New Classification
Highest Level	<b>Varsity</b>	<b>Varsity</b>
Middle Level	<b>Fresh-Soph</b>	<b>JV</b>
Lowest Level	<b>Freshmen</b>	<b>Fr-Soph</b>

These new classifications will allow for more flexibility and movement of athletes if necessary to fill levels. The change may boost playing time for some athletes as well.

### **Events:**

It has again been an exceptionally busy past month for the Athletic Department. Oregon High School & DLR Jr. High have hosted or will be hosting the following major athletic events:

- Twelve team varsity Girls Track Invitational on April 20.
- Twenty-one team varsity Boys Carlson/Hawk Classic on April 27.
- Big Northern Conference Boys & Girls JV Track Meet on April 30
- Six team DLR Jr. High Carnival Relays on May 1.
- Eight team girls sectional prep track meet on May 8.
- IHSA Class 1A Regional Girls Soccer Tournament May 8, 9, 11.
- IESA Jr. High Boys & Girls Sectional Track Meet on May 12
- Fourteen team boys sectional prep track meet on May 14.
- IHSA Class 2A Softball Regional May 15, 16, 19
- IHSA Class 2A Baseball Regional May 16, 17, 19
- IHSA Class 1A Boys Track Sectional (Twenty teams) – May 18.

Later in the month, we will also be hosting the IHSA Class 2A Softball Sectional on May 22 & 26 at Park West.

Special thanks again this year to tech dept.'s Shawn Gadow and Steve Stinson for their help in the

computer scoring and timing of our meets.

**All Conference and Other Honors:**

Gylia Finch, Abigail Hopkins, Lydia Cermak, and Brenna Noon earned Second Team All-Conference Honors in girls track at the conference meet in Byron on May 34.

All Conference selections in boys track occurred at the conference meet on May 10. Ian Hussung and Jacob Cullen earned honors with their first place finishes. Softball and baseball selections will take place this week.

**Spring Sports Update**

Baseball – Heading into the regional opener, the varsity baseball team is currently 3-22-1, and 0-19-1 in BNC play..

Softball – The varsity softball team finished their season on May 14 dropping their regional opener to Winnebago 9-5. The team finished with a 4-22 overall record, 3-15 in BNC play.

Girls Soccer – The girls soccer team finished their second season with a record of 5-15-2, 1-8 in conference play. They defeated Marengo 3-0 in the Oregon Regional opener for the first post-season win in program history.

Boys Track – The OHS boys finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Big Northern Conference in Genoa-Kingston on May 10. They participated in the Oregon Sectional on May 18.

Girls Track – The OHS girls finished in fourth place at the at the Big Northern Conference Meet on May 3 and in 3<sup>rd</sup> place of 15 at the Sectional in Lena-Winslow. The 4x100 relay team along with Abigail Hopkins (hurdles), Cynthia Nyderek (hurdles) and Lydia Cermak (200m) all qualified for the state meet.

Junior High Track – The DLR JH teams competed at the Rt. 72 Conference meet at OHS on May 8. The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys both were conference champs while the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls took second. DLR hosted the IESA sectional here in Oregon on May 12. Both the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls finished in second place of the 14 teams. There were multiple individuals and several relay teams that qualified for the Jr. State Meet in East Peoria May 18 & 19..

Respectfully submitted,

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