

March 2023 Board Report

Drug testing

As of March 14, 320 HS & JH students have been randomly tested so far this school year. We have had one positive test.

Communications/Twitter

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) has 1,288 followers as of March 45.

Spring Participation Numbers

Overall spring participation numbers are now in. of March 15, we have the highest amount of athletes out for baseball and softball in at least over a decade.

	2023	2022	2021	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Baseball	38	28	17	22	19	21	20	24
Softball	30	32	28	21	20	28	26	23
Boys Track	44	29	22	35	37	52	41	36
Girls Track	28	25	31	30	24	25	28	33
Girls Soccer	23	30	23	30	24	31	-	-

Activities Updates

<u>Track</u> – Both the boys and girls teams began their indoor season at Sterling Westwood on Saturday, March 4 in an unscored meet. They also participated at the Rock Falls Indoor Invitational on Mon. March 13. At this meet, the OHS girls finished in third out of seven schools while the boys took fourth of five.

<u>Baseball</u> – The first baseball game of the year was supposed to have taken place on Tuesday March 14 but was cancelled due to the cold and playing conditions. Baseball participation numbers are the highest they have been in over a decade and we will be playing games at three levels this season, varsity, JV, and a few Fr-Soph games.

<u>Softball</u> – OHS softball also had their first games of the year on Monday, March 13 cancelled due to the cold and poor playing conditions.

<u>Girls Soccer-</u> The OHS girls soccer team's opening game at Galena on March 14 was cancelled as well.

<u>Academic Bowl</u> – The OHS Academic Bowl season ended on March 7 as Oregon hosted the IHSA Class A Regional tournament for the second consecutive year. The Hawks made it to the semi-final round before falling to eventual champion Winnebago.

<u>Spring Musical</u> – OHS held its' annual Spring Musical "The Addams Family" on March 9, 10, 11, & 12.

Big Northern All Conference Honors:

Competitive Cheerleading: Taylor Weems

Girls Basketball: Hadley Lutz (Second Team), Mariah Drake (Hon. Mention)

Boys Basketball: Jordan Croegaert (Hon. Mention)

Wrestling: Lane Halverson, Seth Stevens, Anthony Bauer (all 1st team), Gabe Eckerd, Grant Stender, Jonathan Alaniz, Evan Flaharty, Quentin Berry (all 2nd team), Josh Messenger – Hon. Mention.

NIBC Bowling All-Conference

First Team - Brandon Rowe, Stylar Long, Gavvin Surmo Honorable Mention - Roberto Hernandez

IESA Wrestling

Congratulations to Oregon 8th grader Nelson Benesh who won the Illinois Elementary School Association State Championship in the 105 lb division at the State Finals in DeKalb on March 11. 7th grader Levi Benton also medaled finishing in 6th place.

Respectfully submitted, Míke Lawton