



March 2024 Board Report

Drug testing

As of March 12, 233 HS & JH students have been randomly tested so far this school year. All have been negative.

Communications/Twitter

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) has 1,302 followers as of March 14.

Spring Participation Numbers

Overall spring participation numbers are now in. Most sports are slightly down from last year but still very healthy for our region.

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Baseball	33	38	28	17	22	19	21	20	24
Softball	26	30	32	28	21	20	28	26	23
Boys Track	34	44	29	22	35	37	52	41	36
Girls Track	27	28	25	31	30	24	25	28	33
Girls Soccer	21	23	30	23	30	24	31	-	-

Activities Updates

Track – Both the boys and girls teams began their indoor season at Sterling Westwood on Saturday, March 2 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 second out of five schools while the boys took fourth of five.

Baseball – The baseball team returns numerous starters from last year's team which went 16-16. The great weather has allowed the squad to practice outdoors much more than is typical. The season opened on time on March 12.

Softball – OHS softball also has been able to practice outdoors much more than normal. The softball teams' first game of the year was also on schedule on March 12 with very good playing conditions.

Girls Soccer- The OHS girls soccer team will open their season on Saturday, March 16 at the Harvard Tournament. .

Academic Bowl – The OHS Academic Bowl season ended on March 4 as Oregon travelled to Amboy for IHSA Class A Regional tournament. The Hawks made it to the semi-final round before falling to eventual champion A-FC. .

Spring Musical – OHS held its' annual Spring Musical "The Music Man" on March 7, 8, 9, & 10.

OCUSD Athletic Hall of Fame:

Nominations will begin to be accepted over the next few weeks for the inaugural class of the Oregon C.U.S.D. Athletic Hall of Fame. A committee of community members has met several times and will be selecting the inaugural class later this spring. Induction is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September, 14.

Big Northern All Conference Honors:

Competitive Cheerleading: Kaelin Shaffer

Girls Basketball: Mya Engelkes (Hon. Mention)

Boys Basketball: Jameson Caposey (Second team), Cooper Johnson (Hon. Mention)

Wrestling: Anthony Bauer, Quentin Berry, Nelson Benesh, Landon Elder, Jackson Glendenning, Preston LaBay; Hon. Mention – Ethan Mowry

Northern Ill. Bowling Conference All-Conf: 1st Team - Matthew Stahl (Winn), Brady Davis, Gavvin Surmo; Hon Mention - RJ Keene, Codey Dunbar

IESA Wrestling

Congratulations to Oregon 8th grader Levi Benton won the Illinois Elementary School Association Class A State Championship in the 126 lb division at the State Finals in DeKalb on March 9. Also medaling were Boone Alderks (4th @ 105), Carson Benesh (5th @ 95) and Yovanni Carreno (5th @ 215).

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Lawton

