To: Dr. Mahoney Board of Education From: Heidi Deininger Re: Board Report OREGON
CUSD220

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# **Some upcoming important dates:**

April 4-14th (various days) IAR Testing 7th & 8th grade

April 12th - PSAT/SAT High School; junior high students will be eLearning

April 18th – High school Illinois Science Assessment

April 29 PROM (Posthouse, Dixon/Grand March at OJSHS)

May 11 High School Student of the Quarter

May 1-May 9 - MAP testing window

May 8-May 19 - ThinkCerca end of year benchmark window

May 10 Senior Honors Night (Rock River Center)

May 12 Last day for seniors if getting C or better in all classes

May 16 Last day for seniors who need to take finals

May 19 7th grade student of the quarter

May 19 8th Grade Celebration (6:30 PM) (Last day for 8th graders); 8th Grade dance

May 19, 22, 23 FINALS

May 21 Graduation

<u>Academics</u> – The table below includes predictions regarding upcoming assessments. We are making these predications based on longitudinal data and the correlation with other assessments. Predicted scores are highlighted.

8th Grade MAP	Level 3 (#/%)	Level 4 (MEETS)	Level 5
ELA	23/22.5%	25/24.5%	3/2.9% <mark>34%</mark>
MATH	15/14.7%	13/12.7%	0 12.7%
7th Grade MAP	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
ELA	27/25.7%	25/23.8%	1/.9% 28.8%
MATH	32/30.4%	13/12.3%	0 12.3%

Feb Horizon Practice Test	EBRW meets/exc	Math meets/exc
9th grade	52 students (49%) (44%)	48 students (48%)
10th grade	70 students (62%) (57%)	62 students (55%)
11th grade	41 students (38%) (33%)	3 students (3%) (15%)

### In the classroom

- Junior high students have been taking the IAR standardized assessment
- OJSHS has been in a block schedule for the past two weeks. This has allowed opportunities for classes to do some extended projects. One project was a Consumer Ed project that allowed students to go to the grocery store and do some shopping and understand budgeting.
- FFA visited the Oregon Rehabilitation Center and took a small petting zoo to share with the residents.
- The Rural Healthcare Explorers Program started this week. This program is done in conjunction with Community Foundation of Northern Illinois and local health care providers. It allows students an opportunity to learn about the healthcare field and have hands on experiences. The program meets once a week and will continue to the end of the school year.

#### The Leader in Me

- We will be opening the Measurable Results Assessment (MRA) to parents, students and staff beginning April 17<sup>th</sup>. This survey provides valuable information to us about the culture and climate of our school from all stakeholders. We use the data to help formulate School Improvement Goals.
- We have been working with our coach, Kelli White, to determine needed summer professional development for our staff. She is also helping us take the first steps to Lighthouse designation.

### **Student Activities**

- Spring sports are underway. At the moment the girls softball team is having great success and is currently 9-3. Girls track recently placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Gebhardt-Worley invitational. The girls soccer team recently had their first loss of the season. The baseball team is .500.
- Our Hawk Huddles are actively working on their service projects. Part of our SIP was to have every Hawk Huddle complete a service project this year. Here is a news story about one of the projects: <a href="https://www.wifr.com/video/2023/02/09/oregon-high-school-students-need-plastic-donations-community-bench/">https://www.wifr.com/video/2023/02/09/oregon-high-school-students-need-plastic-donations-community-bench/</a>
- Here is a list of projects that are happening: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1H2TS2n22PG\_ZAvELMWqiPfq7kBuvtrxFa\_viSNy5lqI/edit#gid=0">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1H2TS2n22PG\_ZAvELMWqiPfq7kBuvtrxFa\_viSNy5lqI/edit#gid=0</a>

### School Improvement Plan Highlights

### **OJSHS School Improvement Plan**

## **Highlights:**

- **Academics:** As you can see from the data provided above, we have made some growth, except at the 8th grade & junior level. Both English and Math at are very focused on test prep and continue to work on skills that students have shown as weaknesses. All content areas were required to submit a plan for test prep from March 1 until the tests in early April. Here is the plan from the Math department <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EFeX1jbwhRz-ySIi9CwwbhrSumGPjnJdngJBznmYu4/edit">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EFeX1jbwhRz-ySIi9CwwbhrSumGPjnJdngJBznmYu4/edit</a>
  - Math at the junior level is a concern. The math team is working very hard to increase skills. Each teacher has a group that they work with 2 days/week during Hawk Huddle.

- Culture/Climate: We are working on our school improvement plan for 2023-2024 school year. We started with a SWOT analysis in February (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats). We developed working groups to examine every area and determine action plans/problem solve. Our goal is to finish the SIP before we leave for the summer so we are able to work on curriculum adjustments, get training, collaborate on instructional methods, etc over the summer months.
- **Professional Learning:** We formed two ad hoc committees to work on the creation of an Academic Handbook and a Behavioral Expectations/Student Code of Conduct. There are more than 20 staff members (teachers, paraprofessionals and administrative assistants) involved in these team. We have a group of teacher leaders who will be participating, alongside administration, in additional Phoenix Group leadership training this summer.
- We are sending a team of teachers to training on Professional Learning Communities in Madison in July. There will be 10 teachers from across the district attending this training. It was very impactful on the teachers who attended last year. We are hoping for the same outcomes and a greater depth of knowledge after sending 10 more teachers. We are also sending a team of teachers to a training on Social Emotional Learning in and out of the classroom. Lastly, we will have several teachers who are being training by college board for the purposes of adding Advanced Placement courses. At OJSHS, we are adding Pre-AP English 9, AP Pre-Calculus and AP Art & Design.