



## **May 2023 Board Report**

### **Random Drug testing**

Random drug testing at OJSHS has been completed for the 2022-23 school year. Since August, 371 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders have been randomly pulled for testing. One test was positive, all others were negative.

### **Communications/Twitter**

Our athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) is up to 1,274 followers. Twitter has again been an effective method of announcing the numerous cancellations/postponements this spring. We have also used the district's Facebook page as well as the website for communicating schedule changes.

### **College Bound Athlete Recognition event**

On Wednesday, May 3, our Class of 2023 college bound athletes were honored at an event in the OHS Gym. Those students were:

Laila Anderson (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) – Softball/Elementary Education  
Katelyn Bowers (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) – Basketball/Criminal Justice  
Mariah Drake (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) – Basketball/Animal Science  
Ava Hackman (Carl Sandburg College, Galesburg, IL) – Golf/Nursing  
Orion Gallentine (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) - E-Sports/Secondary English Education  
Brenna Heitter (Scott Comm. College, Davenport, IA) – Soccer/Business  
Brian Immel (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) – Bowling/Automotive  
Hadley Lutz (Sauk Valley College, Dixon, IL) – Basketball/Criminology  
Liz Mois (Southeastern University, Lakeland, FL) – Softball/Communications-Mass Media  
Alyssa Mowry (Augustana College, Rock Island, IL) – Soccer/Biology-Art  
Avery Salsbury (Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL) – Volleyball/Early Childhood Education  
Ava Wight (Sauk Valley College, Dixon, IL ) – Volleyball/Biochemistry  
Olivia Wynn (Univ. of Tennessee – Martin, Martin, TN) – Equestrian/Biology

### **Completed and Upcoming Events:**

OJSHS has or will host the following major athletic events:

- Thirteen team varsity Girls Track Invitational on April 21.
- Twenty-three varsity Boys Hawk Classic on April 28
- Five team Jr. High Carnival Relays on May 1
- Big Northern Conference Varsity Girls Track meet on May 4
- Six team girls sectional prep track meet on May 8.
- IHSA Class 2A Baseball Regional May 15-20
- IHSA Class 2A Softball Regional May 15-20
- IHSA Class 1A Boys Track Sectional on May 19

## **Music**

The OHS Music Department finished up its competition series on Saturday, April 15 with a bang. The choir, jazz choir, band, and jazz band all received Division 1 / Superior ratings at the contest in Stockton. The choir even received a "Best of Day" award from the judges. Oregon finished 3rd in the state for Class B due to performances on Saturday as well as the Solo/Ensemble contest in March.

## **Youth Summer Camps**

Almost all OHS athletic programs will be conducting some type of youth summer events this June or July. Many of these are being held in conjunction with the Oregon Park District.

## **All Conference Honors:**

*Girls Track* – First Team - Hadley Lutz & Sonya Plescia. Second Team - Skylar Bishop, Jennica Ciesiel, Miranda Ciesiel, Lexi Ebert, Rylie Robertson, Sophia Stender, Grace Tremble, Ava Wight.

All Conference selection meetings for baseball, softball, and girls soccer will occur on May 22. Boys Track honorees will be announced after the conference meet.

## **Spring Sports Update**

Softball – As of May 9, the varsity softball team has a 15-10 overall record, including an 8-6 mark in conference games. The team will open IHSA Class 2A Regional play on Tuesday, May 16 here at Park West vs Winnebago.

Baseball – As of May 9, the OHS baseball team has a 13-11 overall record, its' best record in a decade. The team is 5-10 in Big Northern conference games. The team will open up IHSA Class 2A Regional play on Mon. May 16 here in Oregon vs Mendota.

Girls Soccer – As of May 9, the girls' soccer team has an overall record of 10-5-2. They finished with a 4-4 Big Northern conference record. OHS opened the IHSA 1A Regional vs Genoa-Kingston at Indian Creek on Wed. May 10

Boys Track – The OHS boys finished in 3rd place of five teams at annual Ogle County Meet in Rochelle on May 2. They finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place out of nine at the Carlin Nalley Invitational in Lisle on May 6. The team will participate in the Big Northern Conference Meet at Rock Falls on May 11.

Girls Track – The OHS girls track team had an outstanding performance in taking second place at the Big Northern Conference meet here in Oregon on May 4. OHS had two conference champs, Hadley Lutz in the long jump and Sonya Plescia in the pole vault. OHS will compete at the IHSA Sectional at Winnebago on May 12.

Junior High Track – Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys & girls combined team won the annual Oregon Jr. High Carnival Relays on May 1. All grades competed at the Rt. 72 Conference meet in Winnebago on May 9. Results were not available at the time of this write-up. The teams will participate at the IESA Sectional at Orion on Saturday, May 13. If we have qualifiers from that meet, they will move on to the Jr. High State Meet in East Peoria May 19 & 20.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Mike Lawton*