



April 2021 Board Report

Communications/Twitter

The athletic department Twitter account (@OregonHawks) has 1,174 followers as of April 9. Last year at this time, we had 1,163. The Instagram account has 392 followers.

In March, we began using a company that provides advanced graphics for social media. We have used it extensively with our @Oregonhawks Twitter account so far.

Random Drug testing

As of April 6, two hundred (200) OHS students have been randomly tested so far this school year. There have been no positive tests.

Athletic Action Plan

With restrictions eased, we have been able to have several youth nights (volleyball and boys soccer) where Oregon Park District participants were able to attend the OHS game. Additionally, numerous OHS athletic programs have completed a skills guide that can be shared with youth programs in the community

COVID Updates:

There was a positive test in both our football program and on our JV volleyball team. As such, in accordance with local guidelines we had to pause team activities in those groups for 14 days.

Next wave:

The second wave of spring sports is now beginning. Because our softball numbers are fairly high, that program was able to start practice on April 12. The remaining spring sports (baseball, girls soccer, wrestling, and track) will wait until April 19 to avoid a lengthy overlap with current sports – boys soccer, volleyball, and football.

Livestreaming:

One of the things that the COVID pandemic has forced us to do is the livestreaming for many of our home events. A special thanks to OCUSD Technology Director Shawn Gadow who has provided immeasurable support in this endeavor.

Bass Fishing

Once again, Mr. Eckardt will be advising an OHS bass fishing club to take to the IHSA sectional event on Thursday, May 6 on the Mississippi River

Early Spring Sports Update

Volleyball – As of April 12, the varsity volleyball team has a fine 10-2 overall record. The season will come to a close with the Big Northern Conference tournament April 19-22. There is no IHSA post season in volleyball this year.

Boys Soccer - As of April 12, the varsity boys soccer team has is currently 3-7 overall, 3-4 in BNC play. They earned the #5 seed for the Big Northern Conference Tournament being played April 12-16. There is no IHSA post season in boys soccer this year.

Football – Before the shutdown, the football team had one win and two losses. They defeated Mendota and lost close games to Byron and conference favorite North Boone. As of April 13, the status of the final game vs Stillman Valley April 23/24 is undetermined.

All Conference Honors (Winter Sports)

Big Northern Conference

Boys Basketball: Owen Ketter (Honorable Mention)

Girls Basketball: Hadley Lutz (Honorable Mention)

Academic Bowl – Claudia Reckamp

Competitive Cheer – Madison Hawkins

Northern Ill. Bowling Conference

Boys Bowling - Jacob Smith, Isaac Kaltenbrun, Kyle Strite

Girls Bowling - Rebecca Meyers, Ava Wight, Sammantha Meyers, Alyssa Conley, Hannah Kaltenbrun, Mackenzie Brodkowicz

Congrats to OHS Head Coach Eric Carlson who was named NIBC Coach of the Year.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Lawton

