



# OBOE-Mail Blast



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- Wednesday, May 24, Oakwood Avenue Community School Spring Arts Festival, including performance by Sonic Explorations, 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 25, Jeans for Troops Day - Dress Down Day Fundraiser: \$5 for staff and \$1 for students
- Monday, May 29, Memorial Day, District Closed

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Contact Information:  
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## Second Annual Drug and Alcohol Awareness Conference

Submitted Ms. Malika Berry, School Social Worker/Berry's Butterflies Advisor



As part of the Honorable Mayor Dwayne D. Warren's (pictured left with students) Second Annual Conference on Drugs and Alcohol, seven Members of Berry's Butterflies and two 9th grade students, not members of the group, created paintings toward what will become a campaign to make students aware of the effects of drugs. The conference was held April 29, at Lincoln Ave school. Members of the Mayor's youth council were major participants in the conference that had over 60 students in attendance.

Benjarly Etienne, Grade 8	Cynthia Charles, Grade 9
India Henry, Grade 9	Jameelah Wallace, Grade 8
Janiya Taylor, Grade 8	Ndea Lockhart, Grade 12
Wersverlie Compere, Grade 8	Anthony DeLa Rosa, Grade 9



Pictured (left to right): Scene from Second Annual Conference on Drugs and Alcohol; Student campaign posters.



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## **News From Rosa Parks Community School**

*Submitted by Ms. Tiffany Walker, Community School Coordinator, Rosa Parks Community School*

### **RPCS Celebrates STEM Night**



On April 28, Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) hosted a successful STEM Night! This year's STEM Night was facilitated by science teachers Ms. Elizabeth Nunez and Ms. Kaitlin Kober and the RPCS Community School Site Coordinator Ms. Tiffany Walker.

STEM night featured participation from the Montclair State University Center for Environmental and Life Sciences. Several students from the center supported hands on activities and brought in research quality lab equipment

for the students to use. Throughout the evening, students and parents had the opportunity to engage in student created and lead STEM activities (***pictured above and right***). At the end of their experience, students turned in their stamped passports for goodie bags, snacks and prizes. There were 328 people who attended STEM Night this year.



### **RPCS Community Room Celebrates Teacher Appreciation Week**



In honor of Teacher Appreciation week the RPCS Community Room celebrated teachers and administrators by gifting them with "PARCC Survivor" kits (***pictured left, with staff member***).

Each teacher was given a mason jar filled with goodies that included stress relief tea, colored pencils and a meditation-coloring page.

"We thank our teachers for all of their hard work and wanted to celebrate them for a job well done with the PARCC tests and more!" RPCS Community Room staff

## Year End Spring Concerts for the MANY Program

Submitted by Ms. Donna Sinisgalli, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts



Students participating in the Music Advancement for Newark Area Youth (MANY) program culminated their lessons with two performances. On May 6, the Orange School District hosted the MANY spring concert. Students from surrounding areas, involved in the MANY program, came to perform with their peers on the Orange Preparatory Academy Auditorium stage.

The MANY program is supported by New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJ PAC) and offers instrumental instruction to the Newark area youth each week. The students travel to NJ PAC every Tuesday and Thursday evening, throughout the year, to be trained on brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments by New Jersey Symphony Orchestra professionals. On Saturday, students traveled to Rutgers Bradley hall to be instructed on string instruments (**two students pictured left**). The MANY OPA concert was a combined performance by both the string orchestra and concert band. The string orchestra performed again on May 7, at Newark School of Science.

## The 2017 Congressional Art Competition for New Jersey's 10th Congressional District

Submitted by Ms. Donna Sinisgalli, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts and Mr. Nate Brown, Art teacher, Orange High School

On May 15 Congressman Donald M. Payne, Jr. (NJ-10) held an awards reception at the Newark Museum in Newark, New Jersey, to recognize the winners and participants of the 2017 Congressional Art Competition for New Jersey's 10th Congressional District. Two Orange High School students placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the competition, entitled "An Artistic Discovery." The contest is part of a nationwide program to encourage young people to utilize visual arts as a medium for self-expression. All high school students in New Jersey's 10th Congressional District were invited to participate and have their work displayed during the month of May, at the Newark Museum. Thirty-four students from 11 schools participated in the 2017 Congressional Art Competition. At the awards reception the winners and participants each received a medal and certificate. The Orange students who participated and their teachers were:

Student	Awards	Art Teacher
Anderson Paul		Mr. Brown
Marcya Drigo	Placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> in her category, and 2 <sup>nd</sup> place overall	Mr. Brown
Sismai Espino	Placed 3 <sup>rd</sup> overall	Mr. Brown
Mishell Quispe		Mr. Cosmillo

The awards ceremony opened with Steven Kern, director of the museum and followed by Congressman Donald M. Payne, Jr. Both men spoke about the importance of art education in their lives, society, and for students.

“The display exhibited some of the best student art in the county,” said Donna Sinisgalli, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, “It was wonderful to see that OHS took second and third place out of all the exceptional art that was judged.” The students' parents and family members also attended the ceremony and a light dinner was served where all could sit, chat, and celebrate the students' achievements. “Great job to the students and their teachers!”



**Pictured: Scenes from the 2017 Congressional Art Competition for New Jersey's 10th Congressional District including S. Kern, Congressman Payne, student, Mr. Brown and artwork.**

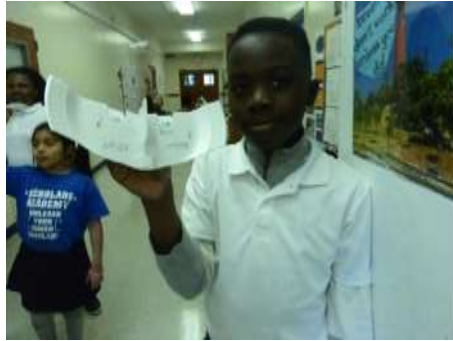
## **Engineering and “Unplugged” Coding This Week in STEM at Scholars Academy**

*Submitted by Regina Nadbielny, STEM Teacher, Scholars Academy (Civil Air Patrol Aerospace Education Member)*

May 8 -12 was another exciting week at Scholars Academy, as students from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 8<sup>th</sup> grade built their own model FPG-9 Foam Gliders. Using a template (from the Academy of Model Aeronautics), a Styrofoam plate and a penny for weight, students built and then flew their own foam plate gliders. They learned about the four forces of flight: lift, drag, weight and thrust. They also learned about the three axes that an airplane glides around: roll, pitch and yaw. They discussed Newton's Laws of Motion and saw how Bernoulli's principle explains balancing air pressure and gravity, as they made a ping-pong ball float in mid-air using a hair dryer. While flying their gliders students were challenged to guide the glider through a hula-hoop and to make it turn a right angle and then a left angle.



Students were engaged, had a great time and learned about physics and engineering. They are creating Google slides to present what they learned to other students/classmates



**Pictured (above and left): Scenes from Scholars Academy's week in STEM activities.**

First and Second graders continued with Code.org course 2 and during the week of May 8, learned about Bits and Bytes making their own Binary Bracelets with pipe cleaners and black and white beads. Students learned about on and off (1 and 0 on a computer) and how computers store all sorts of information in binary form. They learned to encode letters into binary form and decode it back to letters. After that they used black and white beads (for off and on) to store their initials on a bracelet. They also used the same Binary Decoder Key from the bracelets to decode a message, which said, "Code Is Fun". This was an "unplugged" lesson, which is on paper, although most of the lessons are online. They each have accounts to keep track of their progress. They have also learned about programming, algorithms, loops, debugging, and conditional statements in coding. They are having a great time while learning valuable math and coding skills.



**Pictured: Scenes from Scholars Academy's Code.org activities.**

## **The 4 "Ls" - Presented by Mr. Reggie Miller**

On May 11, Mr. Reggie Miller, Director of the Male Student Support Program at Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School, made a special presentation to sophomore girls and boys in two separate sessions. As part of his motivational speaking activities, Mr. Miller addressed what he calls the "4Ls: Lazy, Lying, Limited and Liability." The 4Ls are conditions that occur in stages, progressing, from grade school through adulthood. He first presented the condition, how and when it manifests itself, why and by what means a student can overcome the troubling condition and become a successful adult. Throughout his talk, Mr. Miller used relatable examples for the students and gave valuable advice for success later in life.



**Pictured: Scenes from 4Ls presentation including Mr. R. Miller.**

## **FYI**

### **Board of Education Annual Organization Meeting**

On May 16, the Orange Board of Education held its annual Organization Meeting. The Board unanimously elected Mr. E. Lydell Carter as the Board of Education President, replacing Ms. Cristina Mateo, and unanimously elected Ms. Gloria Fisher as the Board of Education Vice President, replacing Mr. Carter. At the meeting, newly appointed board member, Dr. Courtne Thomas, joined fellow board members in voting. Dr. Thomas replaced Mr. Abdul Shabazz Ashanti.

### **Kindergarten Orientation and Preschool Registration**



Parents, if you have a preschooler who will be attending Kindergarten next school year, please attend the orientation session for your assigned school.

The remaining orientation sessions are:

Forest Street School	May 25	9:00 a.m.
Rosa Parks Community School	May 26	9:00 a.m.
Oakwood Avenue Community School	June 1	10:00 a.m.
Cleveland Street School	June 2	9:00 a.m.

Also, Preschool registration is scheduled for May 23, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., at the Orange Early Childhood Center, located at 397 Park Avenue in Orange. See the flyers below.

## Literacy Block Party to Announce Orange Page Turners' Challenge Winners



The Orange Public Schools English Language Arts (ELA) Department will hold its annual Literacy Block Party, "Every Hero Has A Story," on Friday, June 2, from 5:00-7:00 pm, at Lincoln Avenue School, located at 216 Lincoln Ave. The first 100 attendees will each get a free t-shirt. There will be games, give-a-ways, puppets and more! Guests who represent their favorite

superhero will automatically get a ticket towards food and prizes.

At the event, winners of the Orange Page Turner's Reading Challenge will be announced and awarded.

# May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>  Happy Teacher Appreciation Week! May 1-May 5 Thank You!	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> OHS BOE Lobby Art Exhibit 6:00 <sup>PM</sup> at BOE	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Board of School Estimates, 6:30 <sup>PM</sup> at Board of Ed 	<b>6</b>  Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body, and Spirit
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Monthly BOE Meeting, 7:00 <sup>PM</sup> at Orange Prep Academy	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Special BOE Meeting Exhibit 6:00 <sup>PM</sup> at Board of Ed
<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Cleveland Spring Arts Festival, 6:00 <sup>PM</sup> at Central Auditorium	<b>17</b> Geography Bee, 6:00 <sup>PM</sup> at Park Avenue School	<b>18</b> Park Spring Arts Festival, Art Show at 5:30 <sup>PM</sup> and Concert at 6:00 <sup>PM</sup>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Oakwood Spring Festival, including Sonic Explorations at 6:00 <sup>PM</sup>	<b>25</b> Jeans for Troops Day 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  District Closed	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

Check the district [Website calendar](#) for upcoming events.



## See Below For Important Flyers

- Heywood Avenue Spring Concert
- Oakwood Avenue Community School Spring Arts Festival
  - RPCS Literacy Night
  - Middle School Math Olympics
  - Orange Prep Academy Poetry Slam
    - Jeans For Troops
    - Literacy Block Party
    - Bilingual-ESL Fair 2017
  - Parent Academy Workshops
    - Summer Sports Camp



**HEYWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL PRESENTS THEIR ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT:**



**“THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT!”**

***A PROGRAM OF BROADWAY MASTERPIECES AND BELOVED  
MELODIES***

**DATE: MAY 23, 2017**

**PLACE: HEYWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL**

**TIME: 6:00 PM**

*Faith Alcantara, Principal*

Free Admission! Everyone Welcome!

Oakwood Avenue Community School  
Performing Arts Students  
Present  
Spring Arts Festival 2017



Wednesday, May 24th 6:00 PM  
Oakwood Avenue Community School  
Multi-Purpose Room - Concert  
Common Area - Art Show

Mr. Robert Pettit, Principal  
Ms. Helen Kwon - Visual Arts  
Mrs. Annmarie Guenther, Vocal/Instrumental Music  
Mrs. Britt Keshner, Drama  
Mr. Terrence Thornhill, Strings



Heywood  
Cleveland  
Oakwood  
Rosa Parks  
Park  
Lincoln  
Forest

Orange Public Schools  
**2017**  
Middle School  
**MATHEMATICS**  
Olympics

May 25  
Montclair State University's  
Center for Environmental and Life Sciences  
9am - 2pm

GRADES 6 AND 7 STUDENT TEAMS WILL BE COMPETING FOR BRONZE, SILVER, AND GOLD MEDALS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOLS!

**Orange Preparatory Academy**

**Presents**

*Poetry*

# SLAM



A Collection of  
Creative  
Thoughts,  
Memories, and  
Spoken Word.

**5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.**

**25 OF MAY**

**OPA CAFE**

**FREE ENTRY!**

JOIN THE NATION'S LARGEST DRESS DOWN DAY

# JEANS FOR TROOPS

MAY 25, 2017 IN HONOR OF MEMORIAL DAY

Each employee donates \$5 to wear  
Jeans to work to help our vets with:



EMPLOYMENT



HOUSING



HEALTHCARE

Each student donates \$1 to wear Jeans to  
school on Jeans For Troops Day

Register online at [gigo.org](http://gigo.org)

Learn more contact us at (866) 389-4446 or [jeansfortroops@gigo.org](mailto:jeansfortroops@gigo.org)

**GI GO**  
FUND

The GI Go Fund is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization



The Orange Public Schools English Language Arts Dept.  
Annual Literacy Block Party



**EVERY HERO HAS A STORY**

**June 2, 2017**

**5 - 7 PM**

**Hosted at Lincoln Avenue School  
216 Lincoln Avenue**

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DATE: *SATURDAY – June 3, 2017*      TIME: *9:00 AM – 12:00 PM*

LOCATION: *Lincoln Avenue School, 216 Lincoln Avenue*

#### **Our Goal as Teachers:**

The Orange School Community believes that every child can learn. We provide a positive learning environment that acknowledges and celebrates the multicultural differences within our community. We encourage mutual respect among our teachers, students and community. As a result, our students will become leaders in the community!

#### **What Parents will gain by attending the Bilingual/ESL Family Fair:**

- Gain an understanding of the *benefits of the Bilingual/BSL Education.*
- Learn ways to help your child pass the **Benchmark, PARCC and ACCBSS Tests.**
- Gain information about **community resources**
- Gain information about **college opportunities**
- Help your child understand that *parents and teachers are working as a team to help them succeed.*

#### **Orange Board of Education will provide:**

- Continental Breakfast *9AM – 10AM.*
- Snacks
- Presentations in *French, Haitian Creole, and Spanish.*
- Child care for children from the *ages 5 – 10 years old.*
- Games and activities for students
- Raffle tickets will be provided to parents for a chance to *win a prize!*

*Caroline Onyesonwu, Supervisor of Bilingual/BSL/World Languages Programs*

*Dr. Terri Russo, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Professional Development, and Data Assessment*

-- Deadline 5-30-17----- TEAR OFF & RETURN TO HOMEROOM TEACHER--- --Deadline 5-30-17-- --

### **The Orange Bilingual/ESL Family Fair**

Student name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Check primary language: French Creole \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

The number of guests attending including student(s): \_\_\_\_\_

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DAT: **SAMDI – 3 Jwen 2017** LÈ: **9AM – 12PM**

LYE: **Lincoln Avenue School, 216 Lincoln Avenue**

## Bi nou kòm pwofesè:

Kominote Lekòl Oranj kwè ke chak timoun kapab aprann. Nou ofri yon anviwònman aprantisaj pozitif ki rekonèt epi selebre diferans anpil kilti andedan kominote nou an. Nou ankouraje respè respwòk nan mitan pwofesè nou yo, elèv, ak kominote nou an. Kòm rezilta, elèv nou yo pral devni lidè nan kominote a!

## Sa Paran yo pral jwenn lè yo vini nan Fwa Bileng/ESL Fanmi an:

- Y'ap konprann **benefis Edikasyon Bileng/ESL lan**.
- Y'ap konprann fason pou yo ede pitit yo pase **PARCC ak ACCESS**.
- Y'ap ede pitit yo konprann ke **paran ak pwofesè ap travay kòm yon ekip pou yo ka ede yo reyisi**.

Depatman Edikasyonn Oranj lan ap bay:

- Manje Maten **9AM – 10AM**
- Prezantasyon an **Franse/Kreyòl ak Panyòl**
- Swen Timoun pou timoun nan **laj 5 – 10 zan**
- Tikè Raf a paran yo pou yon chans pou **genyen yon pri!**

*Caroline Onyesonwu, Sipèvizè Pwogram Bileng/ESL/Lang Mondyal yo*  
*Dr. Terri Russo, Direktè Kourikouloun, Enstriksyon, Devlopman Pwofesyonèl, ak Evalyasyon Done*

-- Dènye delè a se 5/30/2017--- **KOUPRE KOUPOUN ANBA A & RETOUNEN LI BAY TPWOFESÈ PRINSIPAL LA**

## Reyinyon Paran Oranj pou Bileng/ESL

Non Elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tcheke Premye Lang: Kreyòl Ayisyen \_\_\_\_\_ Panyòl \_\_\_\_\_ Oswa Lòt \_\_\_\_\_  
Kantite moun k'ap vini nan reyinyon an ki enkli non elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_



# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



FECHA: SÁBADO , 3 de junio de 2017 HORA: 9AM - 12PM  
UBICACIÓN: Lincoln Avenue School, 216 Lincoln Avenue

### Nuestro objetivo como educadores:

La Comunidad Escolar de Orange cree que cada niño puede aprender. Ofrecemos un ambiente de aprendizaje positivo que reconoce y celebra la las diferencias multiculturales dentro de nuestra comunidad. Queremos fomentar el respeto mutuo entre nuestros maestros, estudiantes y la comunidad. Para que como resultado, nuestros estudiantes se conviertan en líderes de la comunidad.

### Lo que los padres se beneficiarán con asistir a la Feria bilingüe/ESL Feria:

- Ganar comprensión de los beneficios de la *educación bilingüe/ESL*.
- Aprender formas de ayudar a que su niño pase el *PARCC* y *acceda a* .
- Ayude a su hijo a comprender que los padres y *los maestros están trabajando como un equipo* para ayudarlos a tener éxito.

### La Junta de Educación de Orange proporcionará:

- Desayuno: 9 AM - 10 AM.
- Presentaciones en *Criollo Francés y Español*.
- Habra cuidado de niños de edades comprendidas entre *5 - 10 años*.
- Sorteo. Entradas serán proporcionados a los padres para poder ganar un *premio!*

*Caroline Onyesonwu, Supervisor de Educación Bilingüe/ESL/Programas de idiomas del mundo*  
*La Dra. Terri Russo, Director del currículo, la instrucción, desarrollo profesional y evaluación de datos*

Fecha Límite 5-30-17 - - - - - arrancar & VOLVER AL PROFESOR DE AULA - - - - - Plaza 5-30-17 - - -

**Distrito de Orange Depto. Bilingüe/ESL reunión de padres**

Nombre del alumno(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Verificar idioma principal: criollo Francés \_\_\_\_\_ Español \_\_\_\_\_ Otro \_\_\_\_\_

El número de asistentes incluidos los alumno(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## Orange Township Public Schools



### Parent Academy 2017 Workshops



#### FREE PARENT WORKSHOPS

Parent Academy is a District Wide Initiative to support overall student achievement by providing families with learning opportunities and resources that will enable them to become more involved in our students success. By attending the workshops, or school related events/programs you can earn 1 point toward a Special Graduation Ceremony. Board Meetings (2 points) are held on the second Tuesday of each month.

**EACH WORKSHOP IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO WIN FREE GIFTS!**

### June

Date	Time	Location	Topic
Saturday 6/3/17	9:00am- 12:00pm	Lincoln Avenue School	Bilingual ESL Fair
Wednesday 6/14/17	6:00pm	Lincoln Avenue School	Parent Academy Recognition Ceremony

For Information on Parent Academy Workshops/Programs/Events please contact:  
Barry Devone, Office of Community Engagement  
973-677-4000 ext. 6064



**Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq.**

And The Orange Municipal Council  
**MOVING ORANGE FORWARD**

# ORANGE RECREATION SUMMER SPORTS CAMP 2017

The Orange High School Varsity Coaches will conduct a one week camp respective of their sport, providing an opportunity to work with young kids. Campers will learn the game and have fun, while receiving outstanding instruction in the fundamentals of the sport.

**Grades:**

4th through 8th

**Time:**

8:30am to 12:30pm

**Cost: \$65**

**Site:**

All Activities at Rosa Parks (except where noted)\*

**Number of participants:**

Minimum of 20

**Breakfast and Lunch will be served**

**Week 1 (June 26 – 30)**

Coach Jamaal Cooper  
Boys Basketball\* – At Lincoln Avenue

**Week 2 (July 3 – 7)**  
**no camp on July 4**

Coach Alphonse Prophete  
Boys Soccer\* - At Lincoln Avenue

**Week 3 (July 10 – 14)**

Coach Randy Daniel  
Football – Rosa Parks

**Week 4 (July 17 – 21)**

Coach Chris Cosmillo  
Boys & Girls Volleyball\* - At Lincoln  
Coach Pia Frazier

Girls Basketball – Rosa Parks

**Week 5 (July 24 – 28)**

Coach Tosha M. Brown  
Cheerleaders – Rosa Parks

**Week 6 (July 31 – Aug. 4)**

Coach Akil Boucaud  
Track - Rosa Parks

**Week 7 (Aug. 7 - 11)**

Coach Peter Naumowicz  
Girls Soccer – Rosa Parks  
Softball\* – At Central from 1pm – 4pm.

*Approved 8/13/17*

To download an application, please go to: [www.ci.orange.nj.us](http://www.ci.orange.nj.us)

**To Register Please Call (973) 266-4045**