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"Spelling Bee of Champions" Scheduled for February 7

The district's Fourth Annual "Spelling Bee of Champions" will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2015, beginning at 2:00 p.m., at the Orange Preparatory Academy auditorium. Parents, staff and students are invited to attend to see who will be the District Spelling Bee Champion.

School-wide Spelling Bees were held in November and December 2014 and January 2015. Listed below are the grade level winners from those events (editor's note: last week's information was

incomplete). These students will compete for grade level district winners and vie for the district championship.

Grade Level Champions - By School 2014-2015

	School	Grade l	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7
	Cleveland Street	Aaliyah Hamilton	Jessica Hernandez	Arielle Hamilton	Moise Voltaire	Miracle Obianuwe	Raquel Manderoy	Nanakraa Boakye Yiadom
	Forest Street	Michelle Tong	Jaylen May Greene	Marjorie Menjivar	Jordan McAllister	Noah Acevedo	Adrian Silva	Odalys Fahardo
	Heywood Avenue	Chukwumerie Aluka	Ryan St. Jean	Jasai Munford Lee	Emma McPherson	Lindsley Cherry	Cassandra Dawson	Shateria Champagne
ĺ	Lincoln Avenue	J-Rondee Elane	Amir Ravello	Dakuri Pickney	Tamara Agueste	Keshima Smith	Callens Desrameaux	Fritzdia Bailey
	Oakwood Avenue Community	Chidiogo Iherobiem	Zyier Knight	Prince Antwi	Xavier Gomez	Marlon Gomez	Izayah Link	Khalil Stewart/ Ryan Clendenin
	Park Avenue	Trinitiy Foster	Kalvin Thomas	Brianna Clarke	Autumn Tarver	Jonathan Tarver	Akeem Braithweit	Kayla Howell
	Rosa Parks Community	Francesca Rodriguez	Zineb Hassani	John Flores	Tashonda Moswenn	Jessica Jeune	Asheleigh Howard- Jones	Loodmy Altema

Student names show in Orange are overall school winners.

Contact Information: Orange Board of Education 451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, NJ 07050

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OHS Student Signs with Rutgers University



"Our very own Willington Previlon (pictured left) has signed an official letter of intent to play football for Rutgers University," announced Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Mr. Mohammed Abdelazziz, on February 4, National Signing Day. The accomplished Tornado defensive end made his commitment to Rutgers Scarlet Knights official. Present on this eventful occasion were his mother and brother, Wilgens, a promising freshman football player for the Tornadoes. They were there to share the congratulations from Coach Randy Daniel, Co-Principal Dr. Kahlisha Morgan and Mr. Abdelazziz, along with media coverage from the Star Ledger and the Record-Transcript. Willington received a full scholarship and plans to be a Computer Science major. "Willington is a class act on and

off the field," said Mr. Abdelazziz. Sentiments echoed by Coach Daniel, "When I go to sleep at night, I don't have to worry about him." Willington said that one of the reasons he selected Rutgers was because it is close to home. "I'll be able to come home when I need to." He also credited Rutgers with caring about academics, as well as athletics and commented that he was excited to play at Rutgers. "I just felt really comfortable there."

The Orange Public School district congratulates Willington Previlon on his accomplishment.



Pictured: Willington Previlon (center) with his mother and brother.



Pictured: (Front row) Willington Previlon (center) with his mother and brother. (Back row) Assistant Principal Mr. Mohammed Abdelazziz, Co-Principal Dr. Kahlisha Morgan and Coach Randy Daniel.

To view media coverage visit the following sites:

- Star Ledger
- Record-Transcript

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Oakwood Avenue Community School Wins School Garden Grant Submitted by Mr. Robert Pettit, Principal, Oakwood Avenue Community School



In additional to implementing all the guidelines for the Alliance for a Healthier Generation, Oakwood Avenue Community School's nurse, Ms. Judith Powell, applied for and received a \$2,000 Community Garden Grant from the *Whole Foods Kids Foundation*, "School Garden Grant." There were

thousands of applicants, and Orange is proud to be one of the few schools chosen.

The funds will be used to clean the vacant lot adjacent to the school where the Community Garden will be located. Oakwood Avenue Community School and its community partner, St. Matthew AME Church, will maintain the garden. Fruits and vegetables grown in the garden will feed students, their families and members of the community.

Principal Pettit gives "kudos" to Nurse Powell and the entire Health and Wellness Committee for bringing recognition to the "Best School in Town." "Ca Caw!"



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Heywood Robotics Visits Orange Torbotix

Submitted by Mr. Jonathan Rosenthal, Robotics Advisor, Orange High School

On January 30, 2015, the Orange High School Robotics team hosted the Heywood Robotics team for an afternoon of learning and fun. They were able to discuss the challenges of their competitions and learn more about the different events. The high school students lead discussions about various components for robotics, including electrical and motor components. Other high school students gave small tours of the past years' robots and explained how the components work in a system. Other teammates gave brief lessons of the specific tools used in robotics and reinforced safety ideas. Heywood students enjoyed driving last year's robot, built by Orange High School robotics students.

Marc Cadet, senior, assisted in coaching the younger students throughout their season. Officially, their rookie year as part of the First Lego League competition (the same as OPA) was extremely successful. The students learned and enjoyed creating the obstacles for the robot to conquer. In an exciting moment towards the end of the competition, the students used clever programming and building skills to make their robot destroy a LEGO wall, one of several obstacles they overcame. During the competition they displayed strong teamwork and used their creativity to design different components. The judges rated the Heywood Team extremely high for both creativity and presentation skills.







All of the students said they greatly enjoyed the experience, learned a lot, and could not wait for next season. Dr. Campbell, Heywood Robotics Advisor, is using their motivation to continue the program and have the students further their robotics skills throughout the remainder of the year.



Pictured (above): Heywood Avenue Robotics Team at Orange High School.

January Board of Education Meeting

Hosted on January 13, by Lincoln Avenue School, the monthly Board of Education meeting opened with the customary Flag Salute lead by student Tracy Ware, Jr. He was followed by a high-energy performance by the Lincoln Avenue Dance Ensemble, directed by dance instructor Mrs. Michelle Rosolen. They performed "Yeah" and "Land of a 1,000 Dances" to much accolade.

Principal Denise White greeted the audience, thanking them for their attendance and congratulating parents, students and staff for the splendid performance.







Pictured (above and left): Lincoln Avenue School Dance Ensemble at the January Board of Education Meeting.

Student Board Representative:



The first order of business was the introduction of Miss Bria Wood, the new student representative on the Board of Education. Bria is an active senior at Orange High School. She is a member of the National Honors Society, Student Council, OHS Track Team and *Voices in Harmony*. She plans to continue her interests in art, literature, business, and music in college, by studying Marketing and English, and hopes to own her own publishing company solely for young artists like herself.

Bria has several ongoing projects, such as her online literary arts magazine, *The Passaic*, and her latest writings. She plans to publish her debut novel in May 2015 and graduate in June with outstanding honors.

The Board members and Superintendent Lee welcomed Bria.

National Board Certification Certificate of Achievement Presentation:



Ms. Nyree Delgado (pictured right with President Arthur and Superintendent Lee) was presented with a Certificate of Achievement for obtaining National Board Certification for "Professional Teaching Standards in Early Adolescence Science." Ms. Delgado, a science teacher at Rosa Parks Community School, said the experience, though a lengthy process, was extremely valuable and she thanked the district for the support she received in fulfilling the requirements for certification.

Per the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards website, "Board certification is the

highest mark of professional accomplishment. It allows teachers to hone their practice, showcase their talent in the classroom, and demonstrate their dedication to their students and their profession."

Created for teachers, by teachers, National Board Certification is a voluntary, performance based, peer review process that recognizes the complex nature of teaching. To date, more than 100,000 teachers in all 50 states have achieved this highest mark of distinction in the profession. National Board Certified Teachers (NBCTs) are having a significant impact on student achievement. Research has shown that the students of NBCTs outperform their peers in other classrooms.

2014 Guide to National Board Certification

Student of the Month:

Superintendent Ronald C. Lee and Board of Education President, Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur, presented students with certificates for being selected Student of the Month (SOTM). On a monthly basis, students are recognized for exemplary behavior, academics and citizenship by their school. The students honored were:

Student of the Month

Name	School		
Toyasia Kates	Orange High School		
Jennifer Cineus	Career and Innovation Academy of Orange		
Brianna Perpignan	Orange Preparatory Academy		
Nasir Willey	Cleveland Street School		
William Morocho	Rosa Parks Community School		
Martha Johnson-Jackson	Park Avenue School		
Vanessa Pantaleon	Heywood Avenue School		
Marjorie Menjivar	Forest Street School		
Chidumebi Iherobiem	Oakwood Avenue Community School		
Darian Hedgeman	Lincoln Avenue School		









Pictured with Baord President Arthur and Superintendent Lee: SOTM Toyasia Kates and Assistant Principal Stefanie Matthews (top left); SOTM William Morocho, his family and Principal Debra Joseph Charles (top right); SOTM Martha Johnson-Jackson, her family and Principal Dr. Myron Hackett (bottom left); SOTM Darian Hedgeman, her family and Principal Denise White.

Parents of the Month:



Pictured: (left to right) Principal Denise White, Mr. and Mrs. Hedgeman, their children (front), Board President Arthur and Superintendent Lee.

Mr. David Hedgeman and Mrs. Sherri Hedgeman were selected Parents of the Month because they are "remarkable parents." The Hedgemans have three amazing daughters. The oldest is in third grade and the twins are in second grade. Yet, with their busy work schedules, Mr. and Mrs. Hedgeman always find time to give back to the school community through volunteering in various school activities and events such as the PTO, cheerleading, and dance. If you need them for anything, they are only a phone call away. They have hearts of gold. What is so special about this family is that they are not only

concerned about their children, but the children of Lincoln Avenue School. The Lincoln Avenue School family appreciates all that they do for the school community.

Other Board Presentations:

There were several other presentations made during the meeting. Supervisor of Guidance, Mr. Vernon Pullins, presented the current Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Presentation & Grade Report. Also, Samuel Klein & Company reported that the "2014 Audit Report" shows that the school district is in "good shape," with no deficits, and thanked Superintendent Lee and Business Administrator Mr. Adekunle James for their support.

Bridge Clubs Win at Annual Youth Bridge Tournament

Submitted by Dr. Denise Harlem, Technology Coordinator/Bridge Club Advisor, Park Ave. School

Oakwood Avenue and Park Avenue
Schools' Bridge Clubs attended the Winter
District 3 Regional Youth Bridge
Tournament on January 19, in Ryebrook,
New York. A total of 24 students
represented Orange. At the tournament
were 50 students in total, from the tri-state
area. The competition was challenging, as
Orange's elementary students were
competing against 11 high school students.
But, once again, Orange prevailed.

Congratulations to Oakwood students
Nayelis Fernandez and Ashanti Burton for
placing 2nd overall, Chidumebi Iherobiem
and Damiyah Davis for placing 4th
East/West, and to Park students Giovanni
Peterkin and Sayeed Bennet for placing 3rd
North/South. Nayelis Fernandez had
previously achieved Junior Master status
for her success in the Atlanta and Las
Vegas North American Bridge
Championships and the Fairfield Regional.



Pictured (left to right): Nayelis Fernandez and Ashanti Burton (2nd overall)



Pictured (left to right): Giovanni Peterkin and Sayeed Bennet (3rd North/South)

While winners were being called, students had the opportunity to enjoy a delicious lunch and socialize with peers from across the tri-state area. New friendships were formed and Orange's students became reacquainted with bridge players they met at previous tournaments.



Pictured (left to right): Chidumebi Iherobiem and Damiyah Davis (4th East/West)

Ms. Pamela Venable and Dr. Denise
Harlem, Oakwood and Park's bridge
instructors, respectively, would like to give
a special thanks to Ms. Barbara Clark for
her continued support for Youth Bridge.
Without her dedication to and passion for
supporting Orange Youth Bridge, none of
this would be possible.

FYI

AANJ Exhibit Features Artwork by Orange High School Students



The closing reception of the Twenty-Seventh Annual High School Art Exhibition, *Emerging Artists 2014-2015* at the *James Howe Gallery*, Kean University, will be held on Sunday, February 8, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The exhibit, featuring two works by Orange High School students Angelica Palma and Stephanie Alvarado, is sponsored by the Art Administrators of New Jersey and includes art produced by high school student from across the State. The submitted works are judged and **Awards of Merit** and **Honorable Mention** will be presented on Sunday to select student artists. All entrants will receive a certificate of acknowledgement.

Free Adult ESL Classes To Begin in Orange



Orange residents are being provided free English as a Second Language (ESL) morning and evening classes, beginning March 3, 2015. Classes will be offered, for adults, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., at Orange Public Library, 348 Main Street, or 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street.

To register for the proper level class, contact:

- Vivian Paiz at 973-677-4000, x 6097 or paizvivi@orange.kl2.nj.us (Spanish)
- Stephanie Desanges at 973-677-4000, x 3620 or desangst@orange.k12.nj.us (Haitian Creole)

Testing will be offered on Monday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 25 - 9:00 a.m. at Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Avenue **or** 5:30 p.m. at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street

The program is funded by the *Full Service Community School Initiative* partnering with Orange Public Schools, Orange Public Library in affiliation with JVS. For more information, see flyers below.

He Said, She Said Rescheduled for March 30



On Monday, March 30, 2015, at 6 pm, the Orange Board of Education will host its Third Annual Intermediate Public Speaking Competition at Lincoln Avenue School. The

competition was originally scheduled for January 26. See flyer below for full details.

Winter Preschool Registration Scheduled

2014 - 2015 Preschool Registration



The Orange Township Public Schools is still accepting students, for the current school year, and will hold registration for preschool eligible children during the months of January and February. Registration will be held on consecutive Tuesdays, through February 10, with a final session scheduled on February 24, after the district

returns from Winter Break. All children who were 3 or 4 years of age by October 1, 2014, are eligible to attend free, full day pre-school, in the Pre-K 3 or Pre-K 4 class. Proof of residency is required, as well as birth and immunization records.

The remaining registration periods are as follows: **February 10 and 24, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** at the Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue. See flyer below for more details.

February 2015 Wednesday Thursday Sunday Monday **Tuesday Friday** Saturday 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Rosa Parks Saturday Arts Preschool Academy 9AM-12PM Registration, 10AM -Community School Lincoln Ave. School 1PM at OECC Lobby Art Show, K-4 at 5:30PM, 5-7 at Fourth Annual Spelling Bee of Champions 2:00PM at OPA 6:30pM, Admin. Bldg. Auditorium 13 9 12 8 10 11 14 Monthly BOE Meeting 7:30PM at OPA Preschool Registration, 10AM -1PM at OECC 15 21 16 17 18 19 20 PRESIDENTS DAY **Winter Recess** Winter Recess Winter Recess Winter Recess **Winter Recess District Closed District Closed District Closed District Closed District Closed** 22 23 27 24 25 26 28

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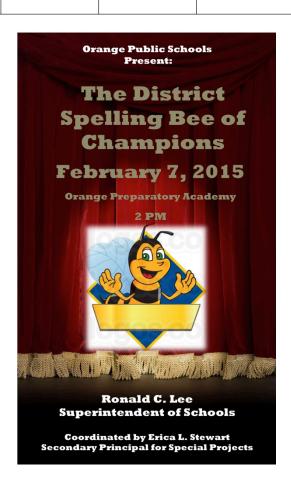
for Students

2:30PM Dismissal

Preschool

1PM at OECC

Registration, 10AM -



Saturday Arts Academy 9AM-12PM

Lincoln Ave. School



Celebrating 39 Years of Service in Arts Education since 1975

Emerging Artists

27th Annual High School Art Exhibit



Stop the Time 2014 Student Achievement Award Winner **Apoorva Rao** Bridgewater-Raritan Regional High School James Howe Gallery Vaughn-Eames Building Kean University Union, New Jersey

January 8 - February 8, 2015

Awards Reception

Sunday, February 8, 2015 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Awards Ceremony at 2:00 pm

FREE ESL CLASSES

For Adults

Learn English!

Morning and Evening Classes begin March 3, 2015:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

9:00 am - 12:00 pm at Orange Public Library
348 Main Street

OR

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm at Rosa Parks Community School

To register to take a literacy test for class placement

Contact Vivian Paiz at 973-677-4000, x 6097 or paizvivi@orange.k12.nj.us (Spanish) or Stephanie Desanges at 973-677-4000, x 3620 or desanges.k12.nj.us (Haitian Creole)

Testing will be offered on the following dates and times:

February 23 - 9:00 AM at Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Avenue or 5:30 PM at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street February 25 - 9:00 AM at Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Avenue or 5:30 PM at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street

Registration and testing will take approximately 2 hours *You must be a resident of the City of Orange*

Program Funded by the Full Service Community School Initiative partnering with Orange Public Schools, Orange Public Library in affiliation with JVS

Gratis

CLASSES de ESL

Para adultos

Aprender Inglés!

Las clases comienzan por las mañanas y tardes

De marzo 3, 2015:

Lunes, Martes y Viernes

9:00-12:00 Biblioteca Pública de Orange

348 Main Street

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5:30 pm - 8:30 pm en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks 369 Main Street

Para inscribirse para tomar una prueba de alfabetización o nivel actual para la colocación de la clase

Contacto Vivian Paiz al 973-677-4000, ext. 6097 o <u>paizvivi@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (Español) o Stephanie Desanges a ext. 3620 o <u>desangst@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (criollo haitiano)

Las pruebas se ofrecerán en las siguientes fechas y horas:

23 de febrero - 9:00 AM en la Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Ave. O 5:30 PM en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks

25 de febrero - 9:00 AM en la Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Ave. O 5:30 PM en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks

Registro y ensayo tardará aproximadamente 2 horas

Usted debe vivir en la ciudad de Orange

Programa financiado por la iniciativa de la Escuela Comunitaria de servicio completo y las escuelas públicas de Orange En la afiliación con JVS, la Biblioteca Pública de Orange

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Pou Adilt

Aprann Anglè! Klas nan Maten ak Aswè ap kòmanse 3 Mas, 2015:

Lendi, Madi, ak Jedi

9:00 am – 12:00 pm nan Orange Public Library
348 Main Street
OU BYEN

5:30 pm – 8:30 pm nan Rosa Parks Community School 369 Main Street

Pou anrejistre pou pran yon ekzamen pou plase ou nan yon klas

Kontakte Vivian Paiz nan 973-677-4000, ext. 6097 ou <u>paizvivi@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (Espanyòl) ou Stephanie Desanges nan ext. 3620 or <u>desangst@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (Kreyòl)

Nap bay ekzamen yo nan dat ak lè sa yo:

23 Fevriye - 9:00 AM nan Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Ave. OU

5:30 PM nan Rosa Parks Community School

25 Fevriye - 9:00 AM nan Orange Public Library ou

5:30 PM nan Rosa Parks Community School

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Program Funded by the Full Service Community School Initiative and Orange Public Schools in affiliation with JVS and Orange Public Library

Orange Public Schools & ValleyArts PRESENT At Lincoln Avenue School 216 Lincoln Avenue Orange, NJ

Grades 1 and up No prior experience needed All students participate in all three subjects each Saturday

DATES OF SESSION: January 24, 31; February 7, 28; March 7,14,21,28; April 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 30; June 13 Hat City Streets Festival

FEES:

\$45 for 14-week session includes all three classes (music,dance & visual art) \$25 for each additional child from same household.

Fun-filled Programs Organized by Age in Music, Dance & Visual Arts

Saturdays, January 24-May 30, 2015, 9am to 12pm

Led by Romare Bearden Foundation director Diedra Harris-Kelley, with Avril Bogle

Through the lens of great American modern artists, including Romare Bearden and his contemporaries, we will explore history and culture in relationship to art - including engagement with music, literature, language and social change. Students will express and expand their ideas through collage, drawing, and other techniques of visual literacy.

MUSIC Led by Jazz/Blues musician Mike Griot, with Peter Abazia

Nationally regarded musician/producer and Orange native Mike Griot reveals the trajectory of American music through the Blues and Jazz while expanding basic understanding of rhythm, melody, and composition. Students will also create their own music using unlikely objects as instruments and their lives as inspiration.

ValleyArts participation is made possible in part by the National Endowment for the Arts FOR THE AS



DANCE Led by choreographer and teacher LaTarika Pierce in consultation with Deborah Rembert

This energetic and participatory series introduces young people to how movement and dance form a powerful non-verbal language spoken the world over. Included among the techniques taught are jazz, modern, tap, ballet, and martial arts - all designed for maximum engagement by boys and girls alike.

PLUS Featured assemblies led by Mike Griot and LaTarika Pierce

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ZUMBA

Adult ZUMBA Exercise Group 9:15-10:15am for adults only Weekly fee of \$5 cash (paid each class session)

REGISTRATION

ONLINE: valleyartsnj.com/saturdayarts VISA (Ma IN PERSON: Saturday, January 24, 2015 from 8:30-9:00am.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents must be present the first day to complete additional forms.

Class sizes are limited. Contact Mrs. Mroz @ 973-677-4124 or mrozmari@orange.k12.nj.us for more information.

Office Use Only: Received by Cash Money order

Student Name:	Grade:
School:	
Phone:	

Cash / Money Orders (payable to ValleyArts)

Note: Dates have changed to January 31 through June 6. Zumba begins on February 28.



ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Administration Building

451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050 Tel: (973) 677-4015 Website:http://www.orange.k12.nj.us

> Mr. Ronald C. Lee Superintendent of Schools

Candace Goldstein Director of Special Programs Jacquelyn Blanton Supervisor of Early Childhood

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

REQUIREMENTS:

3 years old by 10/01/14

4 years old by 10/01/14

- Must be resident of Orange Township
- · Original Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization record
- Current lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill)
- Picture ID

If you are living with a friend or relative, you must be included in their lease agreement. Notarized letters stating you rent a room/apartment/house will not be accepted.

Registration Days: JANUARY 2015

TUESDAYS - 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th.

FEBRUARY 2015 - TUESDAYS - 3rd, 10th, 24th.

10:00am. – 1:00pm. Last sign in: 12:30pm.

Place: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050 973- 677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.



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REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

REQUISITOS:

3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14

4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/14

- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIÓNES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- 2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable) deben ser actual.
- SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRACTO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.

REGISTRACIÓN:

ENERO 2015 - MARTES 6, 13, 20, y 27

FEBRERO 2015 - MARTES 3, 10, y 24

10:00am-1:00pm

Tiene que firmer antes de las 12:30pm

LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER 397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050 (973) 677-4500 ext 1904, 1918

SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESAROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.



On **Monday, March 30, 2015, at 6 pm**, the Orange Board of Education will host its Third Annual Intermediate Public Speaking Competition at Lincoln Avenue School*.

Along with Third Grade oratorical presentations, students, in grades 4-7, will speak on the following topics:

- State Mandated Quarantine
- · Redress for School Shootings
- Performance Enhancing Drugs
 - · Facebook: Friend or Foe

New this year will be the mini-defense. Students will present findings based on research questions they develop for the following topics:

- Predictors of Success for Student Athletes
- The correlation of arts education and student achievement in Language Arts
 - Gender differences in math performance
 - The impact of technology on student achievement

See your school coordinator to register





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District Closed!
Enjoy!

Spelling Bee of Champions, Emma McPherson

Heywood Avenue School College Awareness Day

Lincoln Avenue Teacher Honored

Dancing With No Limits

February Board Lobby Art Show

FYI

- Strategic Planning Meetings
- Adult ESL Classes

Contact Information: Orange Board of Education 451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, NJ 07050

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Spelling Bee Champion and School Events

Fourth Grader Emma McPherson is the Spelling Bee Champion



Emma McPherson, a fourth grade student from Heywood Avenue School, won the district's fourth annual "Spelling Bee of Champions," on February 7. Students from all seven elementary schools competed, in two separate rounds, to an excited audience of family members, staff and guests. Emma held her own with confidence, as the spelling lists were exhausted and a reserve list was used.

The sharpness of the first grade competitors, who opened the program, is credited for pushing the word list well beyond their grade level. The first graders completed 31 rounds of increasingly complex words. "They were positive and confident in their answers," said Board of Education President, Mrs.

Patricia Arthur. "Kudos first graders, kudos." Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee echoed a similar sentiment, adding, "All of the students did a great job; they are all winners."

First grader Aaliyah Hamilton was victorious against formidable competitors who challenged her for the winning spot. She won by spelling *mussed* and *dandelion*. The second and third place winners were J-Rondee Elane, Lincoln Avenue School, and Trinity Foster, Park Avenue School.

	Spelling Bee Winners					
lst	lst Emma McPherson					
2nd	2nd Kayla Howell 3rd Autum Tarver/					
3rd						
Grade Level Winners						
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<u>Grade</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>				
Grade 1	Name Aaliyah Hamilton	School Cleveland				
1	Aaliyah Hamilton	Cleveland				
1 2	Aaliyah Hamilton Amir Ravello	Cleveland Lincoln				
1 2 3	Aaliyah Hamilton Amir Ravello Arielle Hamilton	Cleveland Lincoln Cleveland				

Kayla Howell

Park

The second graders were somewhat surprised, as they had to begin with more complex words. Still, they persevered and Amir Ravello was declared the winner of their rounds. They were followed by the "Tour De Force - Grade 3-7" combined challenge. The competition was impressive. The top speller, Emma McPherson, won over 7th grader Kayla Howell, Park Avenue School, by correctly spelling her challenge word, amateur. There was a tie for third place for two Park Avenue students, Autum Tarver, 4th grade, and Akeen Braithweit, 6th grade.

With congratulations to all the winners, Superintendent Lee also thanked Ms. Erica Stewart, Administrator for Special Projects, for organizing the event and volunteers from Lincoln Avenue School, Ms. Yashmine Cooper, for being the official "pronouncer," Ms. Audrene Rowe, for record keeping, and Ms. Kathleen Feeley, for being a judge, along with Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Paula Howard and himself.

Orange Education Foundation Awards Prize to the Top Spelling Bee Winner

After the coveted trophies were handed out, Ms. Gail Velox, President of the Orange Education Foundation, announced, "It's my esteemed pleasure to present a desktop computer to the winner of the Spelling Bee. Congratulations!" The Orange Education Foundation is committed to advancing the education of students in the Orange Public Schools. Emma will receive a LG Chrome based desktop computer with a 21.5" screen and an external hard drive. The excited Emma was speechless and thankful.



Pictured above: Spelling Bee contestants; Spelling Bee officials; Grades 1-7 winners; 3rd Place Winner; 2nd Place Winner; 1st Place Winner with Ms. Gail Velox; All winners with Mr. Lee; Spelling Bee Champions!

Heywood Avenue School Hosts Annual College Awareness Day

Students cheered loudly at the *College Awareness Day* assembly, on Jnauary 30 at Heywood Avenue School. The closing assembly capped off a day highlighted by a career fair in the gymnasium featuring, among others, the following exhibitors:

- Orange Fire Department
- Orange Police Department
- Rutgers University (Biology)
- · Kean University

- Style'tini Beauty Bar
- Girl Scouts
- L.I.V.E. Mentorship Program
- Wight Foundation







Pictured (left to right): Orange Fire Department exhibit; Style'tini exhibit, Kean University table.







Pictured (left to right): Rutgers University table; Orange Police Department exhibit; Classroom visit by Homeland Security Special Agent Franklin.







Pictured (left to right): Heywood alumni; Heywood Cheerleaders; Principal Alcantara.

The exhibitors were introduced at the assembly, along with career professionals who visited the classrooms. They included Mr. Devin Franklin, Homeland Security Special Agent, officers in the armed forces, medical professionals, firemen and police officers. They discussed their trade while college and high school students discussed their academic preparation, majors and college life.





The lively assembly opened with the Heywood band, led my Mrs. Erin-Leigh VanOrden. They "pumped" up the students who were also energized by the Heywood Avenue cheerleaders. The students were introduced to the exhibitors and those who visited the classroom, most notably Heywood alumni, including a new Orange fireman who formerly attended Heywood. Students cheered them on in appreciation. The students also reacted positively to seeing fraternity and sorority members perform step routines and recite their pledges, increasing the excitement levels. Principal Alcantara thanked all of the participants for giving their time and energy to enlighten the students.





Pictured (above and left) Scenes from the College Awareness Day assembly with participants and Heywood band.

Lincoln Avenue Teacher Honored for her Advocacy Efforts

Submitted by Rose Morrisroe, teacher, Lincoln Avenue School.

Rose Morrisroe, first grade teacher at Lincoln Avenue School, proudly announced "Due to my advocacy work on child abuse awareness and authoring, *No Secrets Between Us*, I was fortunate enough to grace the cover page of The New Jersey Herald yesterday [on February 5, 2015] and recently won the distinguished award: New Yorker Of The Week."

Below are images from her appearance on NY1 from YouTube post.



Pictured: Rose Morrisroe on air at NY1.



Pictured: Rose Morrisroe with interviewer discussing her book and work.

Dancing With No Limits



On January 30, the
Orange High School
(OHS) and Orange
Preparatory Academy
(OPA) Dance Department
presented "Dancing
Without Limits." A dance
expose of creativity and
talent. Ms. Tosha Brown's

dancers were well trained, moving with fluidity, grace and dexterity. Among the various groups that danced were the National Dance Honor Society, the OHS Select Dance Ensemble, the OHS Advance Dance Class, the OHS Intermediate Dance Class and the OHS Beginning Dance Ensemble. They danced several "World Premier" pieces choreographed by Ms. Brown, such as "Bria's Project," to music by Aretha Franklin and "Read" to music by Emeli Sands and several student choreographed selections were premiered, as well. OHS Select Dance Ensemble also presented a "signature" piece, "Alvin Ailey (Repertoire)," reconstructed by Ms. Brown.

Ms. Dana Butler, substitute dance instructor, directed OPA's Elite Dance Ensemble in several selections she choreographed, including up-tempo dance pieces called "Dance Party" and "Hit It." Her students were energized and engaging.

The Heywood and Forest Dance
Ensembles, directed by Ms. Jacqueline
Selesky and the Lincoln Avenue Dance
Ensemble, directed by Mrs. Michelle
Rosolen, were guest performers at the
event. Three young men from Forest
danced to Kendrick Lamar's "I Love
Myself," and the Heywood students
performed to "I CAN!!!" by Jay Z/Nas. Mrs.
Rosolen's students, Lincoln Elite Dance
Ensemble, performed to "Yeah" by
Freddie Fresh.











The evening closed with Ms. Brown thanking her peers for their support in making the evening a success. Her students in turn thanked them with flowers. The grand finale included staff and OHS students "Dancing with No Limits!" to a Robin Thicke Mix. Excellent show!

The door receipts were donated to the guest school that performed at the concert. This noble gesture was made by students at OHS to honor the "up-and-coming" dance students.

Images of the concert, taken by Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta, can be viewed at orangearts.net.











Pictured (left and above): Scenes from "Dancing with No Limits."

February Board Lobby Art Show Features Rosa Parks Community School



Pictured: RPCS students with their certificates.

At the monthly Board of Education art opening, Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) displays a sampling of the work that students completed, under the direction of art teachers, Ms. Agnes Wszolkowski and Ms. Sue Kasdon. The opening event was well attended by friends, family, school administration and staff. They viewed a variety of artwork by students in grades K - 7.

The students were presented with certificates for exhibited work and congratulated by Principal, Ms. Debra Joseph-Charles, Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Paula Howard, Board member, Ms. Marion Graves-Jackson, Human Resource Director, Mrs. Belinda Scott Smiley and Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta.

The artwork on display, through the end of February, is a colorful display of mixed mediums includes clay figures, self-portraits, paintings, tiles, paper and a selection of art in the styles of renowned artists such as Faith Ringgold and Frida Kahlo.

A centerpiece of the exhibit is a mural of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Three students completed the work: Hans Louis, James Louis and Cristobal Acteopan.



Pictured (left to right): Art teachers, Ms. Wszolkowski and Ms. Kasdon, Principal Joseph-Charles, Mrs. Graves-Jackson, Dr. Howard, Mrs. Smiley and Mr. Crosta.



Pictured (above and right): RPCS display and students sharing their work.













AANJ Exhibit Honors Orange High School Students

Orange High School students, Stephanie Alvarado and Angelica Palma, accompanied by their art instructors, Mr. Nathaniel Brown and Mr. Christopher Cosmillo, respectively, attended the 27th Annual NJ Emerging Artists Awards Reception on February 8 at the James Howe Gallery at Kean University.

Also there, to applaud the students for the art pieces they had in the exhibit, were Superintendent Ronald C. Lee, Mrs. Belinda Scott Smiley, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Human Resources, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta, and Orange High School Co-Principal, Dr. Kalisha Morgan. The exhibit included art produced by high school students from across the State. All entrants received a certificate of acknowledgement for their work.



Pictured: (left to right) Mr. Christopher Cosmillo, Dr. Kalisha Morgan, Angelica Palma with her work, Why Censor Me?, Mrs. Belinda Scott Smiley, Superintendent Ronald C. Lee.



Pictured: (left to right) Mr. Nathaniel Brown, Stephanie Alvarado with her work Silent Nature, Dr. Kalisha Morgan, Superintendent Ronald C. Lee, Mrs. Belinda Scott Smiley

FYI

Strategic Planning Meetings



The Orange Public Schools' Board of Education will be holding three Strategic Planning meetings to create a Strategic Plan. The meetings will be held on March 2, March 30 and April 27. Participants have been invited to attend.

Strategic planning creates a vision of the future, and identifies goals and strategies necessary to meet the challenges of the

21stcentury. The meetings will outline the strengths, accomplishments, and challenges of the Orange Public School District; the vision and expectations for Orange's schools and students; and the goals and objectives necessary to design the future for the Orange Public Schools. Staff members, parents, students, community leaders and other interested members of the public have been invited to work together with the Board of Education to effectively plan for the future of the district and students.

Free Adult ESL Classes To Begin in Orange



Orange residents are being provided free English as a Second Language (ESL) morning and evening classes, beginning March 3, 2015. Classes will be offered, for adults, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., at Orange Public Library, 348 Main Street, or 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street.

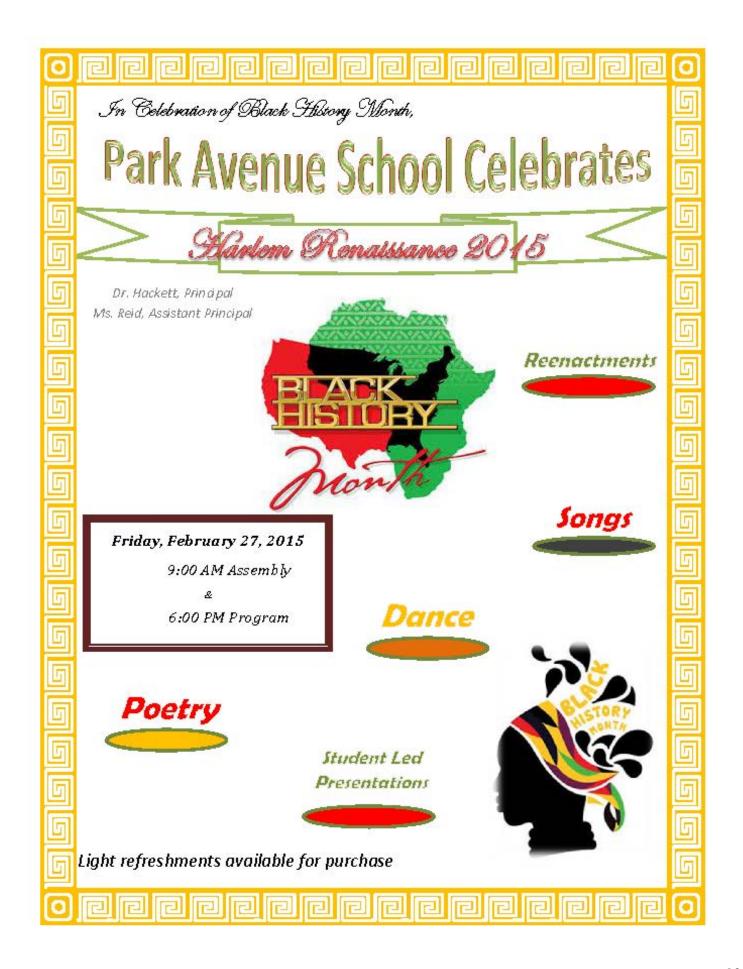
To register for the proper level class, contact:

- Vivian Paiz at 973-677-4000, x 6097 or paizvivi@orange.kl2.nj.us (Spanish)
- Stephanie Desanges at 973-677-4000, x 3620 or desangst@orange.k12.nj.us (Haitian Creole)

Testing will be offered on Monday, February 23 and Wednesday, February 25 - 9:00 a.m. at Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Avenue or 5:30 p.m. at Rosa Parks Community School, 369 Main Street.

The program is funded by the *Full Service Community School Initiative* partnering with Orange Public Schools, Orange Public Library in affiliation with JVS. For more information, see flyers below.

		Febr	uary	2015		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	SNOW day	Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	Rosa Parks Community School Lobby Art Show, K- 4 at 5:30PM, 5-7 at 6:30PM, Admin. Bldg.	5	6	7 Saturday Arts Academy 9AM-12PM Lincoln Ave. School Fourth Annual Spelling Bee of Champions 2:00PM at OPA Auditorium
8	9	Monthly BOE Meeting 7:30PM at OPA Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	11	12	13	HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!!!
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22	23 Depart. Mtgs., 2:30PM Dismissal for Students	Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	25 OPA African American History Celebration Month 8:20 - 9:50AM	26	Park Ave. Black History Month Program 9AM & 6PM RPCS Black History Month/Stamp Unveiling 9AM & 1PM	28 Saturday Arts Academy 9AM-12PM Lincoln Ave. School



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For Adults

Learn English!

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OR

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Registration and testing will take approximately 2 hours *You must be a resident of the City of Orange*

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Para adultos

Aprender Inglés!

Las clases comienzan por las mañanas y tardes

De marzo 3, 2015:

Lunes, Martes y Viernes

9:00-12:00 Biblioteca Pública de Orange

348 Main Street

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5:30 pm - 8:30 pm en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks 369 Main Street

Para inscribirse para tomar una prueba de alfabetización o nivel actual para la colocación de la clase

Contacto Vivian Paiz al 973-677-4000, ext. 6097 o <u>paizvivi@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (Español) o Stephanie Desanges a ext. 3620 o <u>desangst@orange.k12.nj.us</u> (criollo haitiano)

Las pruebas se ofrecerán en las siguientes fechas y horas:

23 de febrero - 9:00 AM en la Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Ave. O 5:30 PM en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks

25 de febrero - 9:00 AM en la Orange Board of Education, 451 Lincoln Ave. O 5:30 PM en la Escuela Comunitaria de Rosa Parks

Registro y ensayo tardará aproximadamente 2 horas

Usted debe vivir en la ciudad de Orange

Programa financiado por la iniciativa de la Escuela Comunitaria de servicio completo y las escuelas públicas de Orange En la afiliación con JVS, la Biblioteca Pública de Orange

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ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Administration Building

451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050 Tel: (973) 677-4015 Website:http://www.orange.k12.nj.us

> Mr. Ronald C. Lee Superintendent of Schools

Candace Goldstein Director of Special Programs Jacquelyn Blanton Supervisor of Early Childhood

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

REQUIREMENTS:

3 years old by 10/01/14

4 years old by 10/01/14

- Must be resident of Orange Township
- · Original Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization record
- Current lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill)
- Picture ID

If you are living with a friend or relative, you must be included in their lease agreement. Notarized letters stating you rent a room/apartment/house will not be accepted.

Registration Days: JANUARY 2015

TUESDAYS - 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th.

FEBRUARY 2015 - TUESDAYS - 3rd, 10th, 24th.

10:00am. – 1:00pm. Last sign in: 12:30pm.

Place: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER

397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050 973-677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.



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- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIÓNES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
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Contact Information: Orange Board of Education 451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, NJ 07050

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PARCC Testing Begins

PARCC Testing Begins Monday, March 2



Students in the Orange Public Schools will join their New Jersey counterparts on Monday, March 2, to begin taking the new Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) exams. The computerized tests will be administered during the month to students in grades 3-11.

Additionally, 11th grade students will take the High School Proficiency Assessment (HSPA) March 3 - 5, with make-ups scheduled for March 10 - 12.

ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PARCC PERFORMANCE BASED ASSESSMENT CALENDAR REVISED 2.27.15

March 2015							
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Montclair State Receives \$2.5 Million U.S. Department of Education Full-Service Community School Grant

More than 1,000 Families at Two Orange, New Jersey Schools to Benefit Annually from On-site Programs and Services at First University-Assisted Community School in the State

(Excerpt from press release posted January 23, 2015 on msu.edu)



The U.S. Department of Education announced a five-year, \$2.5 million award to Montclair State University to help fund the transformation of two Orange, New Jersey schools into University-Assisted Full-Service Community Schools (UAFSCS) – the first such schools in New Jersey.

The funds will flow directly into the two schools to support a myriad of much-needed academic and enrichment programs and social and health services that will benefit more than 1,000 families each year.

"This is a great honor for the Orange Public School District," said Superintendent of Schools Ronald C. Lee. "I am excited about the opportunity that this award presents to Orange and the impact it will have on our community. We are extremely grateful to Montclair State University for supporting and believing in Orange and enabling us to cultivate positive change in the district through such things as a health clinic and other needed resources for our families."

Since 2008, Congress has invested \$30 million in program grants led by partnerships among school districts and community-based organizations. The University was one of nine awardees selected from a pool of 147 applicants nationwide. The nine awardees represent 26 new community schools, including the two Orange, New Jersey schools in a range of urban and rural locales that will add to the 64 schools previously established in 38 states.

"The range of partnerships and communities represented here demonstrates the increasing attention that educators and community leaders are giving toward community schools," said Martin Blank, director of the Coalition for Community Schools. "We look forward to working with all awardees to share resources and connect them with our community school leaders as part of nationwide peer learning network."

In 2009 the Orange Public School District opened their first Full-Service Community School thanks to the generous support of the JP Morgan Chase Foundation. Montclair State University was an active partner from the beginning of this initiative. In 2013, Montclair State launched the Orange Community School Initiative (OCSI) to help empower and engage community members of Orange, New Jersey's Rosa Parks Community School and Oakwood Avenue Community School, both of which are kindergarten through seventh grade schools. Funded with a two-year grant from the JP Morgan Chase Foundation and support from the NJ Commission for National and Community Service, the University and Orange Public School District helped lay the foundation for a university-assisted community school model. Under this innovative model, public schools function as vital neighborhood centers that provide comprehensive educational and social services through local partnerships.

The grant will help to fund a variety of community-centered initiatives, including pediatric and dental clinics; mental health services; high-quality early learning programs; remedial education academic and enrichment activities; mentoring and youth development programs; and community service and service-learning programs. It will additionally support special programs that help chronically absent, truant, suspended or expelled students; provide adult education classes, such as high school equivalency, ESL and computer instruction; and supply career counseling services.

Click here for entire article at msu.edu.

Parent Academy Member Wins Kindle for Workshop Attendance

On February 9, at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, Ms. Marjorie Gilbert, was presented with an Amazon Kindle for her participation in an English Language Arts

made the presentation.



Ms. Marjorie Gilbert

Family Literacy event, conducted in November 2014. She attended the session as member of the district's Parent Academy and won the Kindle as a prize. Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee and ELA Director, Ms. Kathryn Carter,



Pictured: Superintendent Ronald Lee, Ms. Marjorie Gilbert and ELA Director Kathryn Carter.

ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS CELEBRATE



Orange Preparatory Academy Employee of the Month

Submitted by Mr. Ronald Jones, Math Resource Teacher, Orange Preparatory Academy

Each month at Orange Preparatory Academy, faculty members nominate their peers for employee of the month. In December, Ms. Kristina Salvatoriello, 8th grade Algebra I teacher, was nominated by math teacher, Mr. Jose Valdez, he wrote:

"Ms. Kristina Salvatoriello's work has been extraordinary this year. She continuously looks to differentiate her lessons to enhance the learning in her classroom. She is also constantly providing ideas and strategies during common planning time to assist other math teachers with similar situations. She also works with the after school program to assist the struggling 9th graders in the building. Her willingness to improve her craft and help others is why I feel she deserves to be employee of the month."





Pictured (left to right): Ms. Kristina Salvatoriello; Assistant Principal Carrie Halstead, Ms. Salvatoriello, Assistant Principal Samantha Fossella, Principal Aretha Malloy.

In January, Mrs. Kashon Green, Administrative Assistant, was nominated by Mrs. Malika Berry, school social worker, and this is what she wrote:

"The following faculty member has met the requirements of team work, good attendance, and integrity. I nominate Mrs. Kashon Green for the employee of the month for January because she helps all of the staff and students. She stays on top of the students with attendance, as well as academics. She works with the families to get them signed up for the weekend nutrition food hand out program and has assisted me with several serious social and emotional cases."





Pictured (above): Mrs. Kashon Green; Pictured (left to right) Principal Aretha Malloy, Mrs. Green, Assistant Principal Carrie Halstead, Assistant Principal Samantha Fossella.



Pictured: OPA staff at multicultural luncheon.

During OPA's monthly faculty meetings, honorees are acknowledged with an award presented by the school leadership team, headed by Principal Aretha Malloy and Assistant Principals Samantha Fossella, Carrie Halstead and Noel Cruz.

Multicultural Luncheon

During February's faculty meeting, OPA staff members also shared a multicultural luncheon in honor of *Black History Month*.

OHS Nurse and HOSA Collaborate for Go Red Fundraiser

Submitted by Ms. Denise DePalma, Health Careers Teacher/HOSA Advisor, OHS

In honor of American Heart Month this February, the students and staff of Orange High School went RED in support of the campaign to Go Red for Women. The campaign is designed to bring awareness to the fact that heart disease is not just a man's disease. In fact, one in three women die of heart disease and stroke. But it can be prevented through healthy lifestyle choices.



OHS Nurse Esther Bauman coordinated the fundraiser.
Representatives from the OHS Health Occupations
Students of America (HOSA) Club assisted Nurse
Bauman by collecting donations from incoming students,
on behalf of the American Heart Association. Students
that donated their time to gather donations included
Rachelle Exantus, Brittany Beckley and Tryel Edwards
(pictured left), along with HOSA Advisor Mrs. Denise
DePalma. The generous donations of students and staff
brought in over \$700.

Nurse Bauman wants the school community to be aware that more than one in three adults have some form of cardiovascular disease. But, according to the American Heart Association, 80% of heart disease and stroke can

be prevented.

Some tips to consider include:

- Getting active: take the steps, walk on your lunch break, take a walk in an indoor mall.
- Control your cholesterol.
- Eat better: Try to make sure that half of your plate is made up of fruits and vegetables.
- Manage your blood pressure.
- Control your weight. Too much fat, especially around the belly, increases your risk for heart disease risk.
- Keep your blood sugar levels under control.
- Stop Smoking.

HOSA Northern Regional Leadership Conference

Submitted by Ms. Denise DePalma, Health Careers Teacher/HOSA Advisor, OHS



On February 21, Orange High School (OHS), students competed in the Northern Regional Leadership Conference of the New Jersey Association of Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA). The OHS HOSA Club students that competed in this event (pictured left) included Lounie Germain, Tyrel Edwards, Hemwantie Kissoon, Rachelle Exantus, Malika Payton and Brittany Beckley. The categories that they competed in were: Medical Spelling, Medical Math, Pharmacology, CPR/First Aid, Extemporaneous Health Poster and Extemporaneous Writing. The students were able

to network with other HOSA members from northern New Jersey high schools who hold similar interests in health careers. In addition, the students heard from motivational speakers in health related organizations. HOSA Advisors Denise DePalma and Renee Covington escorted the students to the conference. Additional students will participate in competitive events at the HOSA State Conference this March.

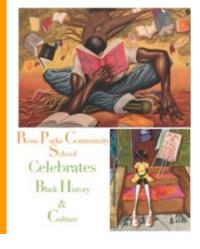
Rosa Parks Community School Earns Math Honors

Submitted by Hanife Yildiz, Math Intervention Specialist, Rosa Parks Community School



Hanife Yildiz, Math Intervention Specialist, proudly announced that Rosa Parks Community School's 6th grade math team won 1st place among 27 schools in Essex county in the 2015 math contest organized by sumdog.com for the period of February 6 through 12. Also, Asianna Kennedy took 9th place among 604 students who participated in the contest. Congratulations to students Carlos

Chanza, Sandra Garcias, Johnny Torres, Johnny Louis, Similoluwa Atoro, Ashleigh Howard-Jones, Karl Kanhai, Asianna Kennedy, Ivan Gabriel Pardo, Christian Severin and their teachers, Ms. Jean and Mr. Ntoufas, for their accomplishment.



Coming in next week's issue of the OBOE-Mail Blast, coverage of Orange School District's Black History Month Celebrations.

OPA Student Recognition

Submitted by Ms. Tera Phipps, Technology Coordinator, Orange Preparatory Academy

On February 1 and 13, approximately 300 Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) students walked across the OPA auditorium stage to receive recognition for either achieving Honor Roll in the first and second marking cycle or Perfect Attendance. Each student was honored with a certificate and received an Allergic to Average bracelet, OPA's school motto this year. Earlier in the year, first marking period recipients also were honored with a breakfast.

It was very exciting to see the High Honor Roll total increased from 7 to 15 students! These scholars received a special gift for receiving straight A's.

Approximately 40 parents were in attendance and received VIP seating to celebrate in their students' accomplishments. The OPA Family and Recognition Committee looks forward to acknowledging more students next cycle as they demonstrate that they are Allergic to Average.

The 8th and 9th grade Student Council candidates also had the opportunity to share their vision for the remainder of the school year with their classmates. Voting occurred in classes and the winner will be announced shortly.



Pictured (above and right): Student honorees at the OPA Recognition Ceremonies.









OHS Student Council

Submitted by Ms. Diana Rhodes, Administrative Assistant and Student Council Advisor, Orange High School

The 2014-2015 school year is proving to be one of the most exciting, thus far, in Orange High School (OHS) history, thanks to the students who make up this year's Student Council. This very active, very imaginative, very creative Student Council is guided by OHS Student Council Advisors, Ms. Naheelah Irving and Ms. Diana Rhodes, and very much driven by several dynamic students. The Student Council Officers are:

- Sabrina Victor, **President**
- Bria Wood, Vice President
- Mabel Torto, Treasurer
- Gloria Ekeh, Secretary

The Student Council Representatives are:

Brittney Beckley Diamonique Jacobs Yasmine Louis Jensy Marcelin Amanda Opoku Jerry Racine

Junior Saba



This year's
Council has been
responsible for
such great
community
events as the first
ever Haunted
High School in
which the halls at
Orange High
were

reconstructed (by the students) to reflect various haunted themes. The students became a myriad of freakishly creepy characters themselves and they did their own makeup and costumes (pictured above). The event was so huge, some people had to be turned away!







Pictured above: Scenes from OHS's Winter Formal.

They followed up their success with a fantastic "Winter Formal" for grades 10-12. The students dressed to impress and extended invitations to non-OHS students, as well. They "turned it up" with a live student DJ and great food; all had a good time.

The Student Council has also provided outreach services in the community by donating canned goods to the needy during the holidays and they will be raising pennies for patients this year. These dynamic students also credit their success to the firm support they receive from the OHS Security Team and their Co-Principals, Mr. Jason Belton and Dr. Kalisha Morgan, who help make all of their events safe, as well as successful.

Go Red for Women Fashion Show

Submitted by Tracy Ware Jr., Student Council President, Lincoln Avenue School



On February 9, staff members at Lincoln Avenue School participated in a fashion show to raise awareness about heart disease and the American Heart Association (AHA).

The models wore red in recognition of AHA's National Go Red Day. Out of "the kindness of her heart," Mrs. Lisa Farrar, school nurse, gave health screenings and led fundraising efforts. Annual blood pressure screenings and BMI measurements were given to ensure the wellbeing of every person in our building. Fundraising activities included selling Go Red pins and bracelets, and participating in a Go Red dress down day to raise money for research purposes.

Many of the staff members were proud to support Mrs. Farrar's vision for this year's "Go Red" day. The fashion show not only provided the opportunity to laugh and have a fun luncheon, but to raise awareness at Lincoln Avenue School about a disease that affects an estimated 43 million women a year.



Pictured: Scenes from Lincoln Avenue School's Go Red Fashion Show. Photos by Tracy Ware Jr.

FYI

OHS Boys & Girls Basketball Team Make it to the First Round of the State Playoffs



Congratulations to the Orange High School Boys & Girls Basketball Teams for making it to the First Round of the State Playoffs.

Double Header - Tuesday, March 3rd 2015, at Orange High School Girls @ 5pm vs. Summit @ OHS Boys @ 7pm vs. Carteret @ OHS **Let's go Tornadoes!**

Strategic Planning Meetings



The Orange Public Schools' Board of Education will be holding three important meetings to create a Strategic Plan. The meetings will be held on Mondays, March 2, March 30 and April 27. Participants have been invited to attend.

Strategic planning creates a vision of the future, and identifies goals and strategies necessary to meet the challenges of the 21^{st} Century. The meetings will outline the strengths, accomplishments, and challenges of the Orange Public School District, the vision and expectations for Orange's schools and students, and the goals and objectives necessary to design the future for the Orange Public Schools. Staff members, parents, students, community leaders and other interested members of the public have been invited to work together with the Board of Education to effectively plan for the future of the students and district.

Preschool Registration Begins for the 2015-2016 School Year



The Orange Township Public School District will begin preschool registration for the 2015-2016 school year during the month of March. All children who are residents of Orange and will be 3 or 4 years of age by October 1, 2015, are eligible to attend free, full day, pre-school, in the Pre-K 3 or Pre-K 4 class. Registration will be held

on March 2 - 4, from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m., with the last sign in at 5:00 p.m., and March 10, 17,18, March 24, March 25 and March 31, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., with the last sign in at 1:00 p.m. Registration will take place at the Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue in Orange.

Two proofs of residency are required, as well as child's original birth certificate and immunization record. Also, parent or legal guardian must show a current lease or mortgage statement and a picture ID. For more information, call 973-677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	SNOW day	Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	Rosa Parks Community School Lobby Art Show, K-4 at 5:30PM, 5-7 at 6:30PM, Admin. Bldg.	5	6	7 Saturday Arts Academy 9AM-12PM Lincoln Ave. School Fourth Annual Spelling Bee of Champions 2:00PM at OPA Auditorium
8	9	Monthly BOE Meeting 7:30PM at OPA Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	11	12	13	HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!!!
15	Winter Recess District Closed	17 Winter Recess District Closed	18 Winter Recess District Closed	19 Winter Recess District Closed	Winter Recess	21 Winter Reces
22	23 Depart. Mtgs., 2:30PM Dismissal for Students	Preschool Registration, 10AM - 1PM at OECC	25 OPA African American History Celebration Month 9:30AM	26	Park Ave. Black History Month Program 9AM & 6PM Heywood Ave. at Livingston Mall 1:30PM RPCS Black History Month/Stamp Unveiling 9AM & 1PM	28 Saturday Arts Academy 9AM-12PM Lincoln Ave. School

Upcoming March Events

- Forest Street School's Art Opening Wednesday, March 4, 6 7 p.m., at 451 Lincoln Avenue, (See flyer below)

 Saturday Arts Academy Saturday, March 7, 9 a.m. 12 p.m. at Lincoln Avenue School



Please come and join us at our gallery opening reception

Wednesday March 4, 2015
Orange Board of Education Office
451 Lincoln Avenue
Orange NJ, 07050
6:00 p.m. ~ 7:30 p.m.

Art works will be on display from March 2, 2015~ March 27, 2015

Light refreshments will be served.



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PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR FALL 2015

REQUIREMENTS:

3 years old by 10/01/15

4 years old by 10/01/15

- Must be resident of Orange Township
- · Original Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization record
- Current lease or Mortgage Statement
- · 2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill, No cellphone bills, please))
- Picture ID

If you are living with a friend or relative, you must be included in their lease agreement. Notarized letters stating you rent a room/apartment/house will not be accepted.

Registration Days:

MARCH 2015

DATE- 2nd, 3rd, 4th

TIME- 3:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Last sign in: 5:00 pm.

DATE- 10th, 17th, 18th, 24th, 25th, 31st

TIME- 10:00A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Last sign in: 1:00 pm.

Place: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER 397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050 973- 677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.



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REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR PARA EL AÑO ESCOLAR 2015

REQUISITOS:

3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/15

4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/15

- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIÓNES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- IDENTIFICACIÓN DE FOTOS
- 2 PRUEBAS DE RESIDENCIA (RECIBO DE PSE&G, TELÉFONO O RECIBO DEL CABLE)
 DEBEN SER ACTUAL.
- SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRACTO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.

REGISTRACIÓN: Marzo 2015 2, 3, 4

HORA: 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Tiene que firmer ANTES de las 5:00 pm

Marzo 2015 10, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31.

10:00 am-2:00pm.

Tiene que firmer ANTES de las 1:00pm

LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER 397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050 (973) 677-4500 ext 1904

SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESAROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.