



October 2019 Newsletter

## All School Announcements

**Have you moved or change phone numbers?** Please make sure to correct your address, phone number, and email addresses on Skyward. If we do not have the correct information we cannot contact you. Also, remember to update and opt in to receive text message reminders for monthly progress.

**Attendance Matters-** All students need to be on time and in class every day. If your student is absent please call the 24 hour attendance line at 360-596-7773.

## hConnect & iConnect

**Arena schedule** is open until 10/25

**hConnect Support Meetings-** Are you new to ORLA and/or new to homeschooling? Are you a returning family who would like to meet others and learn more about ORLA? All are welcome! ORLA is offering a series of meetings that will focus on building connections and sharing information related to homeschooling. See below for schedule of upcoming meetings. Our meetings will take place from 10:30-11:25 AM in Room 120 with Laura Herman, teacher and Dean of Students at ORLA. Both new & experienced homeschooling parents are invited!

### **Sessions are Wednesdays, 10:30-11:25 AM in Room 120**

- ★ October 23rd      Guest Panel - Curriculum Ideas & Examples
- ★ November 7th      Homeschooling with Exceptional Needs Students
  - **Please note - this session will meet from 1:00-2:00 in room 120**
- ★ November 20th      Guest Speaker - How to Use TRL as a Resource
- ★ December 11th      Guest Speaker - Self Care

**Empower Hours**--Every Friday students who need help can come to Empower Hours and receive additional help in ELA/Social Studies and Math/Science.

ELA/Social Studies: \_\_\_\_\_

10-11 - Ashenhurst in room 119

11-12 - Bingaman in room 120

Math/Science:

12:30-1:30 - Erickson in room 118

1:30-2:30 - Ong room 119

**HS/MS Cooking class is going great!** Ask your student to make a simple but delicious shepherds pie this fall.

**The Creative Writing Class** has made a Haiku board and invites students to submit their own Haiku Poems. Haiku is a traditional form of Japanese poetry. Haiku poems consist of 3 lines. The first and last lines of a Haiku have 5 syllables and the middle line has 7 syllables. Students may submit Haiku poems by placing them in the envelope on the board near room 202.

**The Current events class** has prepared a survey about Climate Change. Middle and high school students may respond to the survey by using the link:  
<https://forms.gle/woNMZe9kQdrJ83iDA>

**Parents as a reminder:** students should not be unsupervised on the playground, empty rooms, corner halls or outdoor spaces! Thank you for helping reinforce this required behavior.

## MAST

**School Conferences for MAST are Friday October 18th and 25th.** Students will NOT have school on those Friday's. MAST students have **full days** of school on October 22-24 and busing home will NOT be available on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

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## Montessori

**Don't forget to sign up for a conference!** Online sign-ups in Skyward close on 10/18

**Student Conference week October 22-25.** School ends at 12PM each day. Conferences will be scheduled through Skyward. More information will be sent home in the next couple of weeks.

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## Upcoming Dates

### October

15 ASB Used Book Sale

**18 MAST Conferences--No School for MAST only**

22 OSD Parent Workshop @ ORLA

**22-25 Montessori Conferences ½ days. School Ends at 12pm**

24 PTA MOD Pizza Fundraiser

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### November

**1 Progress sent to families**

1 PTA Movie Night 6pm

**6 Parent response to Progress due**

9 PTA Barnes and Noble Bookfair

11 Veteran's Day No School

14 Picture Retake Day

23 PTA Winter Festival

27-29 Thanksgiving Break

## PTA

**PTA Sponsored Clubs at ORLA** Here is a list of all our clubs and their information. Contact the club's sponsor to get your child started!

### Monday

**Drama Club** 3:30 – 5:30 pm | 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA Stage Michelle Whittaker |  
Keystonecenter6@gmail.com

**Spanish Club** 3:45 – 4:45 pm | 1<sup>ST</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> grade | ORLA Classroom | Ethan & Isabella Rogol |  
irogol@osd.wednet.edu

### Tuesday

**3-D Printing** 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 1<sup>st</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA Classroom 201 Danny Sigel |  
Steven.daniel.siegel@gmail.com

### Wednesday

**Pokemon Club** 2:40 – 3:40 pm | All ages | ORLA CRC Shawn Raymor | ShawnRaymor@gmail.com

## Thursday

**Magic the Gathering Club** 3 – 4:30 pm | 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA CRC Chelsea Johnson | chejohnson@osd.wednet.edu

**Dungeons and Dragons Club** 3 – 4:30 pm | 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA CRC Eva Lang | evamlang@gmail.com

**Book Club** 3 – 4:30 pm | 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA CRC Chelsea Johnson | chejohnson@osd.wednet.edu

**3-D Printing** 3:30 – 5:00 pm | 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA Classroom 201 Danny Sigel | Steven.daniel.siegel@gmail.com

**Chess Club** 3 – 4:30 pm | 4<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade | ORLA CRC chejohnson@osd.wednet.edu

## Friday

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**See the attachments. Also, more information about ORLA PTA can be found at <http://www.oriapta.org>**

### Notice of Nondiscrimination

The Olympia School District will provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without discrimination based on race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, reports of alleged sexual harassment, concerns about compliance, and/or grievance procedures:

- Steve Rood, Title IX Officer, srood@osd.wednet.edu, (360) 596-8545, or Nancy Faaren, Assistant Superintendent, nfaaren@osd.wednet.edu, (360) 596-6117
- Ken Turcotte, Section 504 and ADA Coordinator, kturcotte@osd.wednet.edu, (360) 596-7530
- Scott Niemann, Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, sniemann@osd.wednet.edu, (360) 596-6185

All four individuals may also be contacted at 1113 Legion Way S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501.