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Oconee County Schools Newsletter
December 2023



Happy Holidays From OCS!

We wish everyone in the Oconee County Schools community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! This season is a time for reflection and gratitude. May the holidays bring you and yours moments of joy, laughter, and the warmth of cherished traditions and experiences. Just a

reminder that the Central Office will be closed Dec. 25-Jan. 1. On Jan. 2, the Central Office will reopen and our teachers will have a work day. We will welcome students back to class on Jan. 3. We look forward to seeing everyone in 2024!

OCS Ranks First In Georgia In CCRPI Content Mastery

Oconee County Schools ranked No. 1 in the state in Content Mastery in the 2023 College and Career Ready Performance Index released by the Georgia Department of Education. OCS recorded a 98.2 score for the elementary schools, a 96.4 with the middle schools, and a 98.1 for the high schools. The statewide averages for elementary, middle, and high schools were 64.7, 60.9, and 65.0, respectively. In the CCRPI Readiness category, OCS ranked No. 2 in the state for elementary (93.3), No. 3 for high (89.5), and No. 6 for middle (91.5). The state averages were 82.3 for elementary, 82.0 for middle, and 71.4 for high.

OCHS Announces Inaugural Athletics Hall Of Fame Class

Oconee County High School has announced the members of its inaugural Warriors Athletics Hall of Fame. The Class of 2024 is made up of Hale Burnette, Head Football Coach and Director Of Athletics; Adam Frazier, Baseball; Geri Ann Glasco, Softball; Helen O'Kelley Terrell Vandiver, Basketball; Tony Taylor, Football/Track & Field/Soccer; Harold Townley, Supporter; and Jarryd Wallace, Track & Field/Cross Country. The Hall of Fame induction will take



place Jan. 12 and permanent markers will be placed in the OCHS gymnasium.



2024-25 School Choice Window Open

Oconee County Schools has opened its window for Public School Choice for 2024-25. Through Friday, Jan. 19, 2024, at 4 p.m., individuals may submit a request to have their child transferred to another public school within the school system. Visit the OCS website for more information, the transfer form, and frequently asked questions.



December News & Notes ...

- North Oconee senior Viveka Mehrotra has been chosen as one of the two delegates from Georgia for the 62nd annual United States Senate Youth Program Washington Week program to be held March 2-9.
- OCS received the Georgia School Boards Association's Leading Edge Award for Special
- Education On-Campus and Community-Based Vocational Training.

 The Oconee County Board of Education officially received its Exemplary Board designation from the GSBA. In addition, **Kim Argo**, the Chair of the Board

of Education, was honored for her 15 years of service.

• The North Oconee flag football team, in just its second year of existence, finished No. 2 in the state and appeared in the title game in Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta. Oconee County's squad also made the state playoffs.

2023 Can-A-Thon Was A Success!

Thanks to the generosity of the OCS community, 37,823 cans and \$4,434 were collected during the recent can-a-thon supporting Area Churches Together Serving (ACTS).



Board Meetings Available Online

Monthly Oconee County Board of Education work sessions and regular meetings can be found on the district's YouTube channel. Meetings will be posted the day following the Board meeting and additionally are linked from the main page of the Oconee County Schools website.



Quick Links For Easy Reference

- **Board Meeting Videos**
- Calendars
- **Lunch Menus**
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