

# Odem Jr. High NEWSLETTER

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## **Career Day**

Odem Junior High was treated to Career Day on Friday, December 14. It was the third year to return to the campus. Due to the overwhelming support from the speakers, we were able to increase the number of rotations from 4 to 5.

Odem Junior High plans to continue bringing in career day to expose occupations to the students. Statistics show that junior high is a crucial time for students to investigate careers. If students know what they want to be by middle school, they are more likely to graduate and pursue that career. The important thing is to expose students to careers they may not have thought about. It is also wonderful to bring back Odem Alumni to share their experiences in the work force. OJH hopes to have more alumni participate in the upcoming years.



Dear Odem Junior High Parents:

With respect to all students and staff on our campus, we will no longer be accepting Valentine's Day deliveries.

In the best interest of all of our students, the factors determining this decision are listed below. Educational Disruption for both teaching and learning Not all students receive deliveries and this presents multiple problems

Safety issues on our busses with oversized objects, balloons, etc.

Thank you very much for your understanding, support and cooperation. Sincerely,

Traci Pogue

Principal, Odem Junior High

### Katalina Garcia



Katalina is a very honest and trustworthy student. This young lady is easy-going and always kind hearted. She is a model student that stays on task everyday and is exceedingly accountable.

### Adrian Aguirre



Adrian is a very bright, respectful student. He always puts his best foot forward in whatever he does. Besides his achievements academically, Adrian's classroom behavior is a goal every student

### Dezirae Moreno



Dezirae is a great collaborator and strives to work hard in the classroom with a tenacious mindset. She displays a strong leadership quality and is always willing to offer help.

### Joaquin Gamez



Joaquin is a curious student whom is always wanting to go deeper to find the answers. He embodies perseverance and dedication when it comes to furthering his own knowledge. Joaquin is always willing to pass his understandings onto his peers.

### Emma Doria



Emma is very kind and helpful in class. We can always count on her to do her best both in and out of the classroom. She is funny and quiet and brightens our days here at Odem Junior High.

### Beau Hill



Beau is very encouraging to other students in class. He is always willing to help other students by coaching them hrough difficult concepts. He tries his best to make sure everyone around him is happy and jas tje confidence to go on throughout their lessons.

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### **Perfect Attendance**

<u>6th Grade</u> Adrian Aguirre, Vince Barrera, Brody Bonebrake-Rodriguez, Xhaiden Castro, Itzac Cruz, Devien Flores, Pete Gonzales, Adan Guerra, Lora Hernandez, Jezlee Luna, Aiden Martinez, Crystal Narvarez-Martinez, Sophia Olvera, Angela Parraz, Xzavier Rodriguez, Anabella Santellana, Haiden Smith, Jaiden Smith

<u>7th Grade</u>— Claudia Covarrubias, Isabella Flores, Joaquin Gamez, Jaelynn Garcia, Nathaniel Garcia, Ebin McCloskey, Jose Medina, John Victor Nino, Nathan Phillips, Salvador Sanchez

<u>8th Grade</u>— Karla Covarrubias, Emma Doria, Jonathan Espinoza, Julietta Esqueda, Torin Falcon, Marissa Garcia, Marianna Gomez, Beau Hill, Daniel Lopez, Marisela Lopez, Isaac Lugo, Uriel Rodriguez, Armando Villasenor

### Attendance Incentives

Students who meet all attendance requirements, earn all course credits, and pass all STAAR EOC assessments (if applicable) will not be required to attend the final 7 days of school from May 21 - June 2, 2018. The school year for students who do meet all attendance requirements as described will end on May 18, 2018. Students required to attend will be denied promotion or credits if not in attendance all 9 days. Every six weeks each campus will host a Campus Perfect Attendance Award Celebration for all students who achieve perfect attendance for the previous grading period. To be eligible for the Campus Perfect Attendance Award Celebration a student CANNOT have any unexcused or excused absences for any period of any day during the six weeks grading period.

### Christmas Fun with the Staff!



### All Region Band:

Garcia, Zoey – Flute – Wind Ensemble Garcia, Marissa – Flute – Blue Band Sturgeon, Emilee – Oboe – Blue Band Doria, Emma – Bb Clarinet – Wind Ensemble Salinas, Isabella – Bb Clarinet – Blue Band Parraz, Aaliyah – Bb Clarinet – Red Band Kiefer, Lillian – Bb Clarinet – Red Band Gomez, Julian – Alto Saxophone – Red Band Esqueda, Julietta – Tenor Saxophone – Wind Ensemble Ocana, Kalista – Trumpet – Wind Ensemble – 1st

Chair Tovar, Kayla – Trumpet – Red Band Phillips, Jacob – F Horn – Wind Ensemble Rivera, Melody – Trombone – Blue Band McCloskey, Ebin – Trombone – Red Band Gamez, Joaquin – Euphonium – Wind Ensemble Espinoza, Jonathan – Euphonium – Red Band Deleon, Alexis – Tuba – Red Band Villasenor, Armando – Tuba – Red Band Aviles, Luke – Percussion – Wind Ensemble Lopez, Daniel – Percussion – Wind Ensemble Andrade, Justin – Percussion – Blue Band

# **Congratulations!**





The Lady Owlet Basketball season is half way through and has been a great first round to say the least. Season began with an A team tournament in Banquete. The 7A team took 3rd place and the 8A team losing championship and placing 2nd. There has been great efforts from all 4 teams throughout the season. So far records are .. 7A 0-6, 8A 5-1, 8 Blue 3-1, 8 Gold 1-4. The Lady Owlets also did their part in participating in the Angel Tree donation of gifts for the less fortunate. They sponsored 5 children from our district.

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### **Boys Basketball**

The Junior High Boys started their basketball season in November. We had a great number of kids join basketball this year, over 40 kids came out. Throughout the season the boys have played very well. They work

hard during their morning practice and have been making improvement every day.

7th Grade B Team 3-5 8th Grade B Team 6-2 7th Grade A Team 8-0 8th Grade A Team 8-0



# Just a Regular day in Junior High!

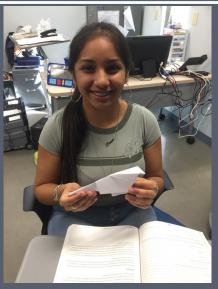














Upcoming Dates:		All <b>'A' Honor</b> <u>6th Grade</u> Adrian Aguirre, Vince Barrera, Xhaiden Castro,	
March 5	7th Writing Benchmark 8th Math Benchmark	Itzac Cruz <u>7th Grade</u> Justin Andrade, Claudia Covarrubias, Joaquin Gamez, Javier Martinez, Ebin McCloskey, Minerva Sanchez,	
March 6	8th Reading Benchmark	Salvador Sanchez	
April 9	7th STAAR Writing 8th STAAR Math	<u>8th Grade</u> — Madison Bevly, Anna Decker, Emma Doria, Julietta Esqueda, Zoey Garcia, Julian Gomez, Beau Hill, Daniel Lopez, Miranda Pena, Isabella Salinas, Emilee Sturgeon	
April 10	8th STAAR Reading	'A' and 'B' Honor Roll	
April 16	6th Math Benchmark 7th Math Benchmark 8th Science Benchmark	<b><u>6th Grade</u></b> Melanie Bayardo, Brody Bonebrake-Rodriguez, Chloe Bush, Irma Coronado, Devien Flores, Katalina Garcia, Zoe Garia, Jovana Gomez, Adan Guerra, Chloe Hill, Leann Jimenez, Jezlee Luna, Emaly Maldonaldo, Aiden Martinez,	
April 17	6th Reading Benchmark 7th Reading Benchmark 8th Social Studies Benchmark	Brooke Martinez, Illianna Martinez, Elena Molina, Jonathan Moran, Evalynn Pena, Anabella Santellana, Haiden Smith, Jaiden Smith, Derek Tijerina, Kamryn Whipple	
May 13	6th STAAR Math 7th STAAR Math	<u>7th Grade</u> — Eric Aguirre, David Bevly, Leovardo Canales, Nathaniel Garcia, Phaith Garcia, Matthew Guzman, Traci McClellen, Dezirae Moreno, Jacob Phillips, Vanessa Sauceda	
May 14	8th STAAR Math Retest6th STAAR Reading7th STAAR Reading8th STAAR Reading Retest	<b>8th Grade</b> — Alysha Beltran, Jasmine Bigner, Julianna Borrego, Tyler Brewer, Onyx Burton, Karla Covarrubias, Madison Curtis, Jonathan Espinoza, Torin Falcon, Marissa Garcia, Diamond Gomez, Marianna Gomez, Esai Gonzalez, Marisela Lopez, Joe Martinez, Daniela Morales, Mary Navarez,	
May 15	8th STAAR Science	Kalista O'cana, Annaid Olvera, Aaliyah Parraz, Hannah Perales Alexia Rodriguez, Kayla Tovar	
May 16	8th STAAR Social Studies		
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### **GT Referrals**

Odem-Edroy ISD is now accepting referrals for students who may need Gifted/Talented services for the school year. This program is designed for students who exhibit intellectual and creative thinking abilities at an extraordinary level not normally served in the regular classroom. Services are provided only upon identification of educational needs of the student. Anyone wishing to refer a student attending Odem-Edroy ISD in kindergarten through twelfth grade this school year can go to the OEISD website and print a form or go by the student's campus office and request a copy of the referral form. This form must be returned to the school counselor by January 18, 2019. Those unable to go by the school should call 361-368-8121 ext. 268 and request that a form be sent to them.

February 21	Odem Owlet Relays
February 28	Mathis Relays
March 5	Banquete
March 21	Gorge West
March 26	George West
April 5	Goliad, District Meet