



WILLIAM E. ORR MIDDLE SCHOOL

Student/Parent Newsletter

This Month:

- APTT—February 8 at 4:15 pm
- Family Night—Watch Us Grow
February 8 at 6:00 pm
- Home Basketball Games
February 22 and February 28

Mission Statement

The Mission of Orr Middle School is to challenge and empower our students to

Opportunity Period

All students can take advantage of Opportunity Period.

All teachers at Orr Middle School have their doors open to students at 7:30a.m. This time is a great opportunity to ask questions and finish work.

Additionally, Early Morning Tutoring begins in the gym at 6:30 a.m. giving all of our students a chance to increase their skills.

School Breakfast and Lunch

Orr Middle School successfully delivers a nutritious breakfast to each student in every classroom at the beginning of 1st Period.

Orr Middle School is offers free lunch to every student on campus. All they need to know is their Student ID.



Academic Unit, Turnaround Zone

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February 8, 2017

Dear Orr Middle School Students and Parents,

The Clark County School District is committed to providing high quality schools to "Every student in every classroom, without exceptions, without excuses." We are fortunate to have a community that demands excellence from its schools.

Through an intensive Internal and External review process, the decision was made to designate William E. Orr Middle School as a Transformation School. The school will be placed in the Turnaround Zone. Schools in the Turnaround Zone receive additional guidance, resources and support from the District to fast track sustainable change in schools.

There will be some staffing changes at Orr Middle School. A new principal will be hired, but Mr. Leavens will continue to serve Clark County School District students within a new setting. It is the goal to have the new principal named in the near future in order to build a new vision and instructional program for our students. As the new principal is hired, there may be staffing changes to align with the new focus of the school. Those teachers who may not return to Orr Middle School for the 2017-18 school year, will have the opportunity to work with students in other schools in the Clark County School District. It is important to note that no administrator, licensed teacher, or support staff personnel will lose their job as a result of this process.

Thank you for your support and involvement in improving the education of our students at Orr Middle School. We are excited about the future of our school and appreciate your support as we work together to increase the achievement for all our students.

In the near future, I will invite you to attend an informational meeting at Orr Middle School, where I will be able to describe the Turnaround process, how it will benefit students, and answer any questions you may have.

If you have any questions please visit the Turnaround Zone website at <http://www.ccsdturnaroundzone.net>, the CCSD Turnaround Zone Facebook page, or on Twitter @CCSD_Turnaround. Also, please feel free contact me, Turnaround Zone School Associate Superintendent at (702) 799-2640.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jeffrey Geihls
School Associate Superintendent, Turnaround Zone

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New Direction for Orr

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8 de febrero de 2017

Estimados Estudiantes y Padres de la Escuela Secundaria William Orr:

El Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark se compromete a proporcionar escuelas de alta calidad a "Cada estudiante en cada salón de clases, sin excepciones, sin excusas." Afortunadamente tenemos una comunidad que exige excelencia en sus escuelas.

A través de un intensivo proceso de revisión Interno y Externo, se tomó la decisión de designar a la Escuela Secundaria William Orr como una Escuela de Transformación. La escuela será incluida en la Zona de Recuperación (Turnaround Zone). Las escuelas de la Zona de Recuperación reciben orientación, apoyo y recursos adicionales del Distrito para realizar rápidamente cambios sostenibles en las escuelas.

Habrán algunos cambios en el personal de la Escuela Secundaria William Orr. Se contratará un director nuevo y el Sr. Leavens continuará trabajando con los estudiantes del Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark en un entorno nuevo. La meta es designar un nuevo director en un futuro cercano para así construir una nueva visión y un nuevo programa de instrucción para nuestros estudiantes. Cuando se contrate al nuevo director, puede que haya algunos cambios de personal para alinearnos con el nuevo enfoque de la escuela. Los maestros que no vuelvan a la Escuela Secundaria William Orr para el año escolar 2017-2018, tendrán la oportunidad de trabajar con estudiantes en otras escuelas del Distrito Escolar del Condado de Clark. Es importante mencionar que ningún administrador, maestro acreditado o personal de apoyo perderá su empleo como resultado de este proceso.

Gracias por su apoyo y participación en la mejora de la educación de nuestros estudiantes de la Escuela Secundaria William Orr. Estamos entusiasmados por el futuro de nuestra escuela y agradecemos su apoyo mientras trabajamos juntos para incrementar el logro de nuestros estudiantes.

En un futuro cercano, les invitaré a asistir a una reunión informativa en la Escuela Secundaria William Orr, en la cual podré describir el proceso de Recuperación (Turnaround Process), cómo beneficiará a los estudiantes, y también responderé cualquier pregunta que puedan tener.

Si tienen alguna pregunta, por favor visiten la página web de la Zona de Recuperación en <http://www.ccsdtumaroundzone.net>, la página de Facebook de la Zona de Recuperación de CCSD o en Twitter @CCSD_Turnaround. Si tienen más preguntas, no duden en ponerse en contacto conmigo, Superintendente Escolar Adjunto, Zona de Recuperación al (702) 799-2640.

Atentamente,

Dr. Jeffrey Geihs

Superintendente Escolar Adjunto, Zona de Recuperación, Zona de Recuperación

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A Messages from F.A.C.E.S.

Attendance does matter! Starting in Pre-Kindergarten and all through the child's educational career, attendance strongly impacts learning, language acquisition, grades, test scores, and graduation rates.

Absences become a problem when they exceed 10% of the school year, which is 18 days or more. Students can fall behind if they miss just a day or two every few weeks! This includes being tardy to school.

What can you do at home and with the school to improve attendance?

- Create a positive relationship with the school and teachers. Children tend to want to come to school when they know that their family and school are working together.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as homework completion, getting a good night's sleep, and planning for a stress-free morning.
- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day; make it an expectation.
- Allow your child to stay home only when he/she is truly sick. Complaints of chronic headaches or stomach aches may be signs of anxiety.
- Schedule medical appointments and extended trips when school is not in session.