

Advisory Council Agenda

Oak Grove Middle School

March 8, 2018



Welcome/Introductions

Approval of January 11, 2018 minutes

School Safety

- Feedback/Concerns—Discussed various concerns and scenarios to improve safety and vigilance.
- Drills from this past Monday---missing student included with Tornado, Fire, and Crisis drill
- New Digital Radios Installed and in use
- Questions about events of last week at OGMS

Curriculum Update

- Testing Calendar Formed/Proctors needed---Dates and request for support letter to be sent 3/29/18
-Core subjects 5/30/18-5/31/18 with 6/1/18 serving as a make up day-See important dates on page 2 of Agenda
- Chromebooks Carts/Fixed Labs---enough to test all students on same day
- Benchmarks and NC Check Ins: March 26-29 (makeups after Spring break)
- NCStar:
 - School Wide Newsletter—trial run in 4th quarter
 - Reminder: Our current School Improvement Plan is located in the Indistar/NCStar system. This is a web based tool that guides our school improvement team in charting improvement and managing the continuous improvement process. [Ms. Brink is the process manager and has done an excellent job.](#) To access the plan, please use the information below:
indistar.org **Username:** GuestS16072 **Password:** GuestS16072

Athletics

- Successful Jamborees for Baseball and Volleyball---coveted by many schools
- Purchases: Black football jerseys, new pitching machine for baseball and softball, and improvements to the baseball field surface (softball is next)-Athletic fund money used for these purchases.

Fine Arts:

- Chorus:
 - OGMS Chorus has spent 3rd quarter working toward the major goal of MPA (Music Performance Adjudication) on March 22nd and 23rd. OGMS will have a 65 member Women's Chorus and 33 member Men's Chorus participating in this event. This is the first time the entire choral program has participated. The students will travel to Greensboro to sing for judges, and receive a rating and feedback. They will also sight-read an 8-measure rhythmic example and 8-measure melodic example for a judge. While working on this goal, we have focused on music literacy, healthy tone production, expressive singing, "togetherness" as an ensemble, and aural evaluation skills.
 - Building on these 3rd quarter concepts, in 4th quarter, students will prepare a high energy concert of pop and rock songs on May 17th. They will learn how to adjust "solo" songs for choral singing, learn about the history and stylistic elements of pop/rock music 1950's to today, and practice confident performing habits. After the concert, students will evaluate and reflect on their performance. After the concert, the year will finish with a few shorter units on Garage Band composing, piano keyboarding, and Broadway musicals.
 - The OGMS Chorus is also singing the National Anthem at a daytime Winston-Salem Dash game on May 2nd. Certain members of the Men's Chorus will be selected to participate in Davidson County's all male choral invitational "Real Men Sing" on May 4th. The 8th Grade Chorus is participating in the Carowinds Music Festival on May 11th. It is a busy and exciting semester for OGMS Chorus!
- Band:
 - In February, 9 of our band students participated in the Northwest All-District Honor Band Clinic held at Appalachian State University. These bands were made up of students from 16 counties; Oak Grove Middle School had the highest representation from Davidson County.

- The 8th Grade Symphonic Band is preparing for a trip to the Northwest District Music Performance Adjudication (MPA) on March 22nd. This performance is done for an audience as well as a panel of judges that assign scores based on the quality of music being made by the ensemble.
- Thank you to everyone in the community that has supported the bands by participating in fundraisers facilitated by the Oak Grove Band Boosters. Our most recent fundraiser through our Dewey's store in Wallburg provided substantial support for our band program as we move into the spring. Once again, thank you for your support!

Celebrations

- Spelling Bee Winner---recognized by Board of Education (on Facebook page)
- Math Counts---recognized by Board of Education (on Facebook page)-Finished 6th overall

PTSO

- Semi-Formal Dance was very successful
- New Spirit Wear successful

Miscellaneous:

DCS Board of Education Briefs—sent 3/6/18

Dates (more will be in March 29 letter):

Mar 30-April 8	Spring Break
April 10	6 th Grade Field Day
April 11	7 th Grade Field Day
April 13	8 th Grade Field Day, Report Cards released
April 27	Spring Pictures
May 1-19	iReady EOY Diagnostic
May 2	Chorus sings National Anthem at Dash Game (Day game)
May 11	Carowinds 8 th Grade Chorus Music Festival/
May 15	Athletic Banquet @ 6:00 p.m. in Gym
May 17	Spring Chorus Concert
May 25	NCFE Exam Science for Grades 6 & 7, Science EOG for Grade 8
May 28	Student Holiday: Memorial Day
May 30	Reading EOG—Grades 6, 7, & 8
May 31	Math EOG for Grades 6, 7, & 8, Math 1 EOC for Grade 8
June 4	CTE Post Assessments
June 5	NCFE Social Studies Grades 6, 7, & 8
June 6	6 th Grade Awards Assembly in Gym at 8:30 a.m.
June 7	7 th Grade Awards Assembly in Gym at 8:30 a.m.
June 8	8 th Grade Awards Assembly in Gym at 8:30 a.m. / Last Day of School
June 19	Report Cards Issued
July 16-19	AIG Summer Enrichment Camp—District Camp hosted by OGMS
July 23-26	Summer Band Camp—Hosted by OGMS

2017-2018 Advisory Council Members

Brandi Everhart

Jennifer Flury

Jeff Lemons

Alison Suarez

Joy Thompson

Pam Hedrick

Dan Shamblen

Meeting Dates:

September 7, 2017 @ 8:00 a.m.

November 9, 2017 @ 8:00 a.m.

January 11, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.

March 8, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.

April 26, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.

All meetings will be held in the Conference Room of the
Administrative Offices of Oak Grove Middle School.

