# Odem High School Newsletter

January 11, 2019

**3rd Six Weeks** 



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January School Board

January 12 Area Band

January 21 No School,

Martin Luther King

training (tentative

January 17-27

appreciation month January 8th Students

return from break

January 16 Blood

Auditions

Drive

Day

date)

# From The Office Of The Principal

Yolanda Alvaro

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We hope all of you have a wonderful Holiday with family and friends. With the new year coming, each New Year is marked by resolutions and opportunities for a fresh start for students, parents, teachers, and administrators. The New Year is a time to set goals, make new resolutions and work diligently to achieve them. We here at Odem High School are here to help you stay informed and supported as we all focus on continuing to make this a great vear.

The first semester was filled with memorable events. Winter sports are now in full swing. Spring events and Graduation are right around the corner and will be here before you know it. Our students and staff have done an outstanding job of keeping these special events in perspective and continuing to focus on the real task at hand: maintaining high academic expectations and providing quality learning experiences for all students.

We are now halfway through the school year and the report cards sent out with the semester grades included are snapshots of how your student did at midpoint. Just a reminder these are permanent grades that are placed on your student's transcript. Next semester will go by just as quickly. If your child did well continue to encourage them to keep up the good work. If your child is not achieving to their potential talk to them about their grades and the changes they can make to achieve the grades they will be happy with at the end of the semester. Encourage them to seek help from their teachers. Parents, we encourage you to contact the teachers as well. Working together will certainly help your child reach their full potential.

While it may seem a bit early to discuss next year's plans with students. Our counselor has already began meeting with students about the process and various requirements at the local and state level. Students are also informed of the requirements for colleges and universities. We encourage you to talk to your students about their plans and all the options available to them as well as the requirements needed for them to achieve their goals. With those goals in mind, it is key that parents and the school work together to meet the needs of our students. A key component is communication between parents and the school. If you have specific questions you are welcome to contact us. We are here to help with questions or concerns. As we start the new semester, please encourage your student to finish strong, to finish well, and to finish with pride. We at Odem High School know our students are the best and we want to continue to support them in any way we can. As always, we look forward in continuing our work with you and your children during the spring semester. We appreciate your continued support of our school. We are truly blessed to work in a community with such fantastic families who share our school's vision and priorities.

Respectfully,

Yolanda R. Alvaro



#### A special thanks to all of you who supported our local food drive. OHS FOOD collected a total of DRIVE 2,324 items in support of our local food drive.

**OHS BLOOD DRIVE** JANUARY 16TH save a life



## **OHS Marquee**

**SEMESTER?** 

Wish a student or a friend a special message on our **OHS Marque sign** for \$5.00 per day.

January CPR Senior

### Spanish Club Brings Toys for children....



Female Force Club Our OHS Female Force Club collected items for the Corpus Christi Hope House. High School students and staff did an outstanding job contributing to this cause.



Officers deliver the items





"Knowledge will give you power, but character respect." -Bruce Lee

#### Congratulations to the following OHS Leaders who received Owl Shout Outs the Third Six Weeks:

Julisa Alcala-"She is hard working and always does her very best." Mr. Martinez

Alex Paiz-"She is a polite and hard working student." Mr. Martinez

Christopher Romero-"Stays on task and completes his assignments." Mrs. Alvaro

**Lyana Ramirez-**"She has been working extremely hard in the classroom and is setting a good example for others." Mr.Martinez

**Ethan Torres-**"He always speaks to me as soon as he enters the room and is always kind to others." Mrs. Beyer

**Elijah Pizana-**"He's always respectful and on task in class." Ms. Arispe

**Alexis Burton-**"She always brings a smile and positive attitude to class." Ms. Arispe

**Rudy Pizana-**"He is always smiling and in a good mood." Mrs. Beyer erMartin Doria-"He is always kind and respectful." Mrs. Beyer **Catherine Fonseca-**"Always comes in smiling and participates in

class discussions." Mrs. Beyer

**Kyle Castaneda-**"Very respectful and mature for his age; confident and raises up others when needed." Mrs. Esquivel

**Callee Brewer-**"Very respectful and is always ready to learn; goes above and beyond." Coach Maldonado





# Valentines Day

With respect to all students and staff on our campus, we will not be accepting Valentine's Day deliveries. In the best interest of all our students, the factors determining this decision are listed below:

•Educational description 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.



# STUDENTS OF TODAY



# **GIFTED & TALENTED**

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.



January is School Board Appreciation Month

A special thanks to all of the OEISD School Board Members for all that they do for our district,

# Last day of school will be here before you know it

ATTENDANCE INCENTIVES

Students who meet all attendance requirements, earn all course credits, and pass all

STAAR EOC assessments will not be required to attend the final 7 days of school from

May 22 – May 31, 2019.

"Practice isn't the thing you do once you're good. It's the thing you do that makes you good." - Malcolm Gladwell

## Sports...

Winter sports have begun. Be sure to come by and support our OHS boys are girls teams.



San Patricio & Aransas Counties Agricutural & Homemakers Show January 17th - January 27th, 2019

Stop by and support our OHS students participating.