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Senior Leader for DoDEA Pacific, Ms. Martha Hayes Brown

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Welcome to Ms. Martha Hayes Brown, our Senior Leader for Dpt. of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Pacific! Ms. Brown was born and raised in South Carolina and attended Limestone College where she earned a BA in English with a minor in education. Ms. Brown began her career by teaching drama at League Junior High School in Greenville, South Carolina. Prior to joining the ranks of DoDEA, she taught in school districts in Columbia and Spartanburg, South Carolina as well as Jefferson and Gainesville, Georgia. She earned a Masters Degree in Education with emphasis in English from North Georgia College.

In 1980, Ms. Brown accepted her first DoDEA assignment in DoDDS-Europe where she taught English at Ramstein Junior High School. Her other teaching assignments in DoDDS were at Berchtesgaden Elementary School and Kaiserslautern High School.

Ms. Brown accepted the position of Education Program Manager at Kaiserslautern Elementary School in 1987. She served as Education Program Manager then Assistant Principal at Kaiserslautern High School from 1988 to 1991. She earned an Education Specialist degree in School Administration from Converse College in Spartanburg, South Carolina in 1988.

In 1991, Ms. Brown was selected as Principal of Augsburg High School in Augsburg, Germany, and in 1993 she was selected as Principal of Kaiserslautern High School in Kaiserslautern, Germany. During her four-year tenure at KAHS, the school adopted and implemented a restructuring initiative, undertook an extensive cross-curricular technology initiative in partnership with the National Science Foundation, implemented a computer-assisted math support program, again in cooperation with the National Science Foundation. KAHS was the only school in the DoDDS system to join with the Boy Scouts of America to initiate a school-wide program focused on bringing the community into the school through a guest speaker forum.

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Calendar of Events

01 OCT	Chusok; student holiday
05 OCT	Early release for students
08 OCT	Columbus Day; no school



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Ms. Brown was selected as the DoDEA Secondary Principal of the Year in 1997. This same year she was tapped for a position at the DoDDS-Europe Area Office where she had supervisory oversight for curricular and curricular-support programs managed at the area-level. Among her duties there included responsibility for the implementation of the DoDEA school reform initiative in DoDDS-Europe.

In 2000, Ms Brown was selected for a sabbatical and spent a year pursuing advanced graduate studies focused on leadership for educational change at the University of Utah. She returned to DoDDS-Europe and the principalship of Heidelberg High School where she served until she moved to DDESS to become the principal of Lejeune High School (LHS) in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, in 2002. During her tenure at LHS, the school implemented an initiative focused on easing the transition of 9th graders into the high school setting, expanded curricular offerings in advanced placement courses and the professional technical studies arena, and initiated steps to restructure the school schedule.

In February 2004, Mrs. Brown was selected Community Superintendent of the DDESS Fort Campbell Schools at Fort Campbell, KY, and served in this position for over four years. She assumed the duties of Superintendent of the DoDDS-Pacific Okinawa District in August 2008. In this position her focus is accelerating achievement for all students through exceptional instructional delivery linked to the individual needs of students, standards-based curriculum, targeted assessment for and of learning, and building collaborative cultures attentive to the academic success of each child.

Ms Brown is married to Rex Brown. Both her son, Hayes, and daughter-in-law, Monica, are graduates of DoDEA schools. She has one grandson, Alan.

Parent & Community Meeting
with Ms. Martha Hayes Brown
1600-1700 Hours
Monday, SEP 24
Osan MS Information Center (Library)



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Osan Middle School Needs Parent Volunteers

Osan MS is need of parent volunteers to serve as parent representatives on the following school committees:

Continuous School Improvement Leadership Team

Purpose: To develop and monitor our school improvement plan in accordance with DoDEA protocol to ensure student and staff success.

Parent Teacher Student Organization [PTSO]

Purpose: To provide a venue for the direct support of OMS students and teachers to ensure open lines of communication for collaborative leadership and decision making.

School Advisory Council [SAC]

Purpose: To ensure open lines of communication for collaborative leadership and decision-making.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated to help strengthen the school and home community relations to ensure highest student achievement for Osan Middle School students!

Please contact the school at DSN 784-7256, from off-base or cell phone 031-661-7256, or email the principal using the following e-mail address:
legena.roberts-kpinkpin@pac.dodea.edu.



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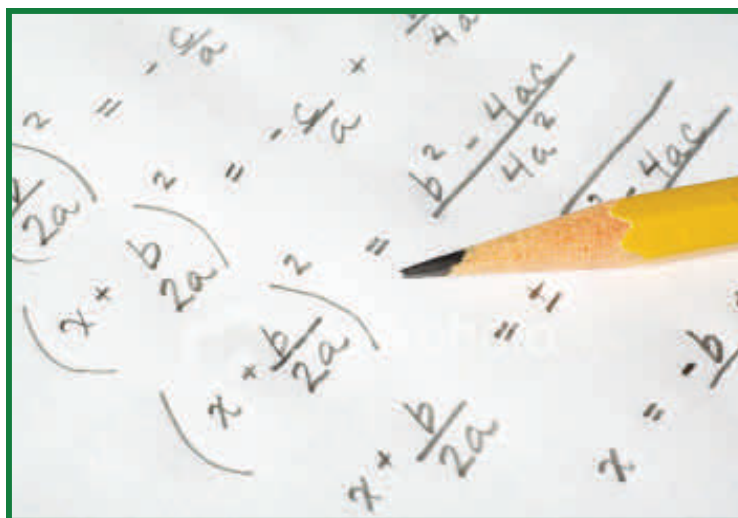
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MathCounts

MathCounts is a national enrichment club and competition program sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers. It is a math academic extracurricular activity that challenges students in grades 6-8 with high school-level vocabulary, concepts, skills and word problems (Warm-ups and Workouts).

Starting in October, the OMS MathCounts Club will meet twice a week for an hour. Students will be trained for various math competitions against other middle school-aged students throughout DoDDS. All OMS students are invited to join. A good attitude and the desire to learn is all that is required.

Last school year Osan Middle School's MathCounts Team placed second in the Pacific Region and first individually. It placed sixth in DoDDS and fourth individually. This year's goal is to do even better, but the community's help is needed. **OMS is recruiting volunteer coaches who have a mathematics background.** Their expertise is the edge required to advance the OMS MathCounts Team to that higher level of understanding and performance. If interested please contact Ms. McIntyre at 784-7256 or at martha.mcintyre@pac.dodea.edu.



Further MathCounts information will be posted in the morning broadcasts and future Parent Connections. Math Rocks and Math is FUN!!!

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Osan American High School PTSO Auction

The Osan American High School (OAHS) Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) will be having an auction. See below advertisement and the "OAHS Auction Items" attachment that was sent along with this week's Parent Connection.

The OAHS PTSO are in need of several volunteers to help Friday evening unload and set up. On Saturday they need cashiers, accounting help, auctioneer, and many other jobs which need to be filled. This is a great volunteer opportunity for parents and students to work together to help the school community. If you are interested in volunteering for this fundraiser, please e-mail Landa Strunk at landa.strunk@zoho.com. All proceeds will benefit OAHS students and teachers.

Thank you all very much for your time and support. This event would not be possible without your dedication to helping the PTSO and the Osan community.



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