



Osan Middle School

Thunderbirds

Providing a Setting of High Expectations
to Engage and Motivate All Students in a
Successful Learning Environment

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Parent Connection

Parents:

We had a great week a OMS, highlighted by Read Across America. A huge thank you goes out to Ms. Dunham and Ms. Laird for their assistance in making this such a successful week. In addition to reading to OAES students, our students participated in a hat day, twin day, and Dr. Seuss trivia contest.

In last week's issue of the Parent Connection our school vision was outlined...it is also at the top right of this page. This week, we would like for you to become familiar with our school goals and next week we will highlight specific classroom interventions.

Goal #1: Reading/Language

OMS student achievement will significantly increase overall as measured by Lexile level and local summative assessment; and, in targeted areas of text analysis and evaluating and extending meaning as measured by TerraNova 3rd edition.

Goal #2: Mathematics

OMS student achievement will significantly increase overall as measured by local summative assessment; and, in targeted areas of data analysis/statistics/probability, computation/estimation, and problem solving/reasoning as measured by the TerraNova 3rd edition.

Although these goals will be principally targeted in language and math classes, we will pursue them across the curriculum in each of our classrooms.

We are confident that the pursuit of these goals will enable us to ensure that your children are well prepared for an exciting future.

Onward!
Jeffrey W. McGee, Principal

Stay Connected by regularly visiting our website: www.osan-ms.pac.dodea.edu/

Also, if you have not already done so please register on Gradespeed to view your child's grades.

Women's History Month

The women's history month essay contest is accepting submissions. The initiative that our students have shown has been outstanding. As we will, please continue to encourage your child to be an active learner by taking advantage of these opportunities. Hard work pays off!

Progress Reports!

Your child should have come home today with a progress report outlining their performance through the mid point of this quarter. We are on track for a great academic year. Thank you for your support

From Our PTO!

The OMS PTO is in need of snack donations for our TerraNova testing as well as a few volunteers to assist in passing our snacks to students from 0730-0830 on 15-18 March. If interested please contact Katie.Hampton@pac.dodea.edu

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Calendar of Events

- 5 Mar:** Volleyball at OMS
- 4 Mar:** Progress Reports (Mid Quarter)
- 11 Mar:** Educator's Day, NO SCHOOL
- 15-18 Mar:** TerraNova Testing

Women's History Month Committee Presents
Women's History Month Essay Contest



Rules:

- Each Entry must include a Student Entry Form.
- Each Entry must begin with a title page containing: Official topic – “Our History is Our Strength” – Honoring an Influential Woman in My Life; Number of Words; Writer's Name; School Name; and Grade.
- Essays must contain 200-300 words (Middle School) and 300-500 words (High School). (Word count does not include any bibliography, footnotes, or cover page.)
- Any quotation or copyrighted material used, must be properly identified using a bibliography and footnotes or proper citation.
- Open to all OMS, OAHS, and MS/HS Home-Schooled Students.

Incentive:

Certificate, \$50 Scholarship (First Prize), and \$25 Scholarship (Runner-Up). First Prize and Runner Up winners in each of the Middle School and High School categories.

Deadline:

1-23 March (Winners announced 28 March)

Submissions may be displayed at the Community Center from 28-31 March.

POC: Stacey York (010-6873-0146)

**WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH
ESSAY CONTEST**

"Our History is Our Strength" – Honoring an Influential Woman in My Life

STUDENT ENTRY FORM

Please print.

Student's Name _____

OMS, OAHS, or Home School _____

Grade _____

Name of Supervising Teacher _____

Essays may be selected for public view at the Community Center. If you wish to allow your work to be displayed, then Parental Consent is required. Please have Parent sign below and provide a good contact number.

Parent(s) Signature _____

Parent(s) Printed Name _____

Phone _____

Teacher Verification:

I have read the attached essay and verify that it reflects the above-named student's original work.

Signature _____ Date _____

This Entry Form must accompany essay submissions.
Contest Dates: 1 March – 23 March, 2011 (Submit entries to School POC by EOD 23 March.)