

# Jones' Journal

APRIL 2024

A monthly parent email with all things OHS!

## IMPORTANT DATES

### APRIL

2	6th Grade Orientation Session #1	OHS; various rooms
3	6th Grade Orientation Session #2	OHS; various rooms
3	Free Physicals: MUST be signed up w/ Final Forms complete	3:15-6pm (ish); HS
4	6th Grade Orientation Session #3	OHS; various rooms
5	COMOS Career Fair [Juniors/seniors]	9:15-11 [11th]/12:15-2 [12th]/MHS
10	SAT Make-Up Testing	See Mrs. Jones
10	Paoli Career Fair [Juniors/seniors]	8:45-10:15am/PHS
11	Yoga	BDS; New Gym
15-May 10	ILEARN Testing Window	
15	<b>SPRING Ivy Tech Withdrawal Date</b>	
24	Honors Banquet: Senior AHD/THD students/parents	6-8 pm; Cafeteria
25	Yoga	BDS; New Gym
29-May 3	ILEARN JH/Biology I Testing	TBD

### MAY

Apr 15- 10	ILEARN Testing Window	
29-May 3	OHS ILEARN JH/Biology I Testing	TBD
8-9	Juniors: US History Presentations	During class
8	<b>Junior Parent Night</b>	6-8 pm; Cafeteria
9	Yoga	BDS; New Gym
13	Seniors: Finals	
13	Calculus AB AP Exam 8 am	Conference room
14	Seniors: Graduation Practice/OES Walkthrough	
15	Seniors: Graduation Practice	
15	Music Theory AP Exam 12 pm	
16-17	Finals	
17	End of 4th 9 Weeks; End of Semester 2	
17	Awards Day: Seniors	8:30-10:30 am; Main Gym
18	Graduation, 1 pm	

## Ways to Stay Informed:

- School Facebook Page: Orleans Jr/Sr High School
- Having updated email in Harmony that you check for monthly emails and other communications
- Visit Mrs. Jones' website at [www.OHSSchoolcounselor.weebly.com](http://www.OHSSchoolcounselor.weebly.com) regularly for information; especially check the Home page for important dates, the Parents page for any previous parent communications, (senior parents) Scholarship page for available scholarships, the Career/College pages to help you help your child figure out their post-secondary plan, and the Testing page for test information/practice tests/test dates
- Harmony Parent Login to make sure your child is staying on track
- Students are all in a Class of... Google Classroom where they have access to TONS of helpful information from Mrs. Jones

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT:

-Scholarship applications are really coming due right now. Check deadlines often. FYI, there are some scholarships for trade schools, 2-year specific colleges AND students going into the workforce, so make sure your child applies to everyone they qualify for!

-FAFSA is due April 15!!! All seniors need to complete this!

**Here are the best resources for getting assistance with the FAFSA:**

Contact INvestED: <https://www.investedindiana.org/funding/completing-the-fafsa/>

Contact your Outreach Coordinator: <https://learnmoreindiana.org/contact/>

Contact Federal Student Aid Support:

<https://fsapartners.ed.gov/help-center/contact-customer-support>

## New Information

-IU School of Nursing will offer FREE Health Screenings at the Solutions Center, at 1490 W. Main Street in Mitchell, on Tuesday 4/2/24 from 9:00am-12:00pm. **[ATTACHED]**

-Camp Mariposa: Camp Mariposa has been set up at Camp Rivervale in Mitchell. *Camp Mariposa Southern Indiana: Aaron's place* is a year-round addiction prevention and mentoring program for youth ages 9-12 who are affected by the substance use disorder (SUD) of a family member. They are looking for referrals to fill up camp. It is such a fantastic prevention opportunity to work on breaking family cycles. See the attached flier for additional information. **[ATTACHED]**

-Talk to your child(ren) about the dangers of smoking and E-cigarettes with the attached info. **[ATTACHED]**

-Scheduling for 2024-25: Schedules can still be changed thru the end of the semester; students will get a copy of a tentative schedule in May.

-Orange County Community Resource Day: April 13 11am-5pm at the Orange County

Community Building in Paoli; Orange County Community Resource Day is all about bringing together the wealth of resources available right here in our community, just for you! Whether you're seeking housing options, medical insurance guidance, assisted living support, youth mentoring opportunities, or looking to enhance your access to food, this event is your one-stop destination. Admission is FREE! Plus, the first 250 attendees will indulge in a complimentary scoop of delicious Hometown Scoops Ice-Cream! Plus Plus the first 100 attendees receive FREE lunch. Questions? Call 812-723-4150. **[ATTACHED]**



-ANY: Military Sealift Command could be an interesting career; check out more info on attached flier. **[ATTACHED]**

-ANY [especially 11th/12th]: Interested in a career in the construction industry? Visit the IKORXCC Career Exploration Night for Louisville on April 18 to see what that could look like. Register online with info that is attached. **[ATTACHED]**

-JUNIORS: Summer Leaders Experience at West Point Military Academy in June. Applications accepted through April 15.

- SLE is a one-week program for current Juniors (High School Class of 2025) to visit West Point in June.
- Students in this program get to spend the week with our cadets, live in the barracks, and eat in the mess hall.
- Learn about West Point's world class academics by trying 5 of our 17 academic workshops.
- Learn about military training and becoming a Leader of Character at West Point by completing two military days to include rappelling, Zodiac boats, combatives (like Jiu-Jitsu) training and more!
- Challenge themselves physically by attempting the Candidate Fitness Assessment, conducting physical training, and sports.
- Complete their admissions interview with a cadet.
- Spend the week making friends with other students from all over the US who are applying to West Point.

Learn more about SLE- <https://www.westpoint.edu/admissions/summer-program> Apply now-

<https://apply.westpoint.edu/portal/candidate> **[ATTACHED]**

-JUNIORS: All juniors took the SAT on March 5. SAT testing is required by the state. Students were encouraged to do their best because higher scores can help them with college acceptance, scholarships, and other opportunities. Scores will be available to students on April 4 through the CollegeBoard website. Mrs. Jones will go over scores and give students a paper copy on April 9 during BDS. College-bound juniors MAY want to take the test again to qualify for college/scholarships so check the requirements for both with the schools you are interested in and the scholarships they offer. If retaking the test, Mrs. Jones suggests the June 2024 or August 2024 testing dates; the test is scheduled to be given at OHS on these dates.

-11th-12th graders: April 5 and April 10 students will have the opportunity to attend 1-2 Career Fairs during the school day. **PERMISSION SLIPS DUE FRIDAY!!!!** Students can attend one or both fairs. April 5 will be held at Mitchell High School (an event with COSMOS) and all 11th-12th graders are encouraged to attend to see various career opportunities and talk with adults working in a field of interest they may have; ALL juniors and seniors encouraged to attend. April 10 will be held at Paoli High School and is a great connection opportunity for seniors to find a career-job in our area and/or for current juniors to look for an internship site; ALL Work-Bound juniors and seniors encouraged to attend and bring copies of their current resume (which we have been working on in BDS).