

NEWS FROM THE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS DECEMBER 2004 AND JANUARY 2005

PRINCIPAL'S INFORMATION

Happy December Holidays to you all. May you find the time to relax and enjoy your families at this busy time of the year. When we return in January there will be only a few weeks before the end of the semester on January 21st.

Most students appear to be doing very well so far this year. Seniors, in particular, appear to be moving down the senior road at a good and steady pace. Most of them have turned in good rough drafts of their senior papers and have gotten these back for a final revision. Many of the four year college bound seniors seem ready to send in their applications and some have already done so. Many of those heading for two year schools have decided on which school and which program. Most of them have turned that important corner from frantic senior to purposeful senior which is where we want them to be at this point.

You may want to check with your students about papers or projects that are due at the end of the semester. They may need some help planning when and how to complete these. It is a particularly good idea to check in with your senior student about his/her Senior Project. Sometimes, just making a calendar to show when tasks will be completed can be a great help. Just organizing notes for class or checking through the notebook, can help a student feel more prepared to return to class in January. Sometimes, a little work done over the holiday can make January less stressful.

The holidays are a good time to regroup and think about the future. If you are the parent of a sophomore, your student should have brought home the test results for the PLAN test and their own test book for reference. You also should have received a copy of the results in the mail. The test information includes the outcome of an interest inventory which may launch a discussion about future work plans. The results from the PSAT test should also arrive soon. This test was taken by the juniors and can provide another chance to talk about the future.

Whatever grade level your son/daughter is currently in, he or she will soon be leaving and therefore, it is time to be looking ahead to post high school plans. Starting early to gather information often makes later decisions a bit easier. If possible, find some time to visit the campus of a two or four year college or a technical school. Ask a relative to talk a bit about what their job is like and how they got it. Have your student talk with some visiting past graduates. Take a walk and talk about planning for the future. Read the Counselor News section in this newsletter for some ideas about what should be happening now for older students. Call and/or come talk if you need/want some further direction.

You may want to spend a few minutes talking with the parent of a senior or two to get a sense of what is ahead. They too are likely to remind you of the swift passage of time. Enjoy the holiday and the time that you have with your student(s).

All of us wish you and your families a happy, safe and peaceful holiday season.

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Stop by the library to check out our Library Book Sale beginning Tuesday, November 30th and running until Thursday, December 2nd. See the flyer attached to this newsletter for more information

MUSIC NEWS

Thank you to all who were able to attend our Swing Dance and fundraiser in November. A special thanks to Ken Speck and Orcatrazz for their fabulous performance.

Season's Greetings from the Middle and High School Music Department! Look for our students in performance at the Craft Fair and at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Everyone is invited to our Holiday Concert on Thursday December 16th, at 7:00PM. This will be a great program of traditional holiday music.

Our end of the semester concert is on January 20th at 7:30PM in the cafeteria. Don't miss it!

SENIOR PHOTOS FOR SLIDE SHOW NEEDED

Senior photos for the slide show at graduation need to be in Gary Bauder, Marilyn O'Grady or Jim Bredouw's hands by the end of January. Any photos that you want to see in the slide show should be taken to Orcas Photo in Templins' Center. They will scan the childhood photos to make a CD at minimal cost to the parent/student. They know the correct resolution to use so that the slide show turns out well.

The Graduation Slide Show is entirely arranged by parents for their graduating senior. There is no requirement that everyone participate, however everyone always does. There will be a cost for finishing the senior photo slide show which will be discussed at an upcoming Senior class parent meeting. This year the committee members are Gary Bauder, Marilyn O'Grady and Jim Bredouw. If you are interested in helping with this project, please call one of them.

YEARBOOKS ON SALE!

Parents! Your son(s) or daughter(s) yearbooks are on sale now for \$50. If you would like to purchase one, now would be the best time. If you are writing a check, write it out to OISD (Orcas Island School District) and have it brought to the office. THANKS!

JOHNS HOPKINS CTY PROGRAM

The opportunity to become part of the Johns Hopkins CTY (Center for Talented Youth) program is offered to 7th grade students who have demonstrated high test scores on their 6th grade Iowa Test of Basic Skills and a commitment to learning. The students who are interested in participating in the Johns Hopkins will take the SAT test, usually in January. This year the 7th or 8th grade students who are interested in taking the SAT test are Lee Paluzzi, Morgan Borman and Samantha Tidwell.

If one of these students does very well on the SAT test, he/she will be invited to participate in programs through Johns Hopkins and the Center for Talented Youth. In past years, our students who have qualified have taken Internet classes and attended special classes through the college. If you have questions about the program, please call Lyn Perry at 376-2287.

OIEF NEWS

OIEF GIFT TREE : IT'S UP at Islander's Bank. The Gift Tree is decorated with specific teacher requests from all OISD (many different items in various prices). Please take a moment to stop by, look at the tree and choose an item to give to the students. Thanks !

The "Food for Thought" Dinner was an enjoyable, fun evening. Thank you to all who attended (with special gratitude to those who donated tickets). It helped to raise \$ 7,000 !

There are many people that contributed to the success of this event. And they are: Christian and Julie Hogle (of Sunflower Café and Main Street Bakery), Christopher Peacock , Chairpersons, Marcia & Martin Taylor; the Decorating Committee – Marny Gaylord, Susan Stolmeier, Hilary Canty and Stella Padbury; Silent Auction Chair: Cathy Ferran, Key Club members – Zack Smith, Woody Ciskowski, Jenna Schmidt, Leah Schmidt, Muriel Gallo-Chasanoff, Jake Breslauer, Lily Ryder, Martina and Melissa Moran-Hodge; Mandy Randolph, Tony Ghazel, Genna Gaylord, Meagan Corbett, Kathy Eastman, Greg White (Archipelago Surveying), Katie Adams, Marcia Gillingham, Bev Lehman, Ben Pearson , Carol Parks (Leapin' Lizards) and all the extremely generous silent auction donors.

Upcoming Events:

Mark your Calendar – FEBRUARY 10th = OIEF next big EVENT !
Please contact Alison Monico (-5516) if you would be interested in helping.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS !

Brianne Sandlin Named Career Choices Student of the Month

Brianne Sandlin began working at The Funhouse in mid-September and it has proven to be a perfect match. Brianne said she was drawn to The Funhouse because she “liked the work ethic there and how [staff] worked with kids.” Prior to her placement there through the school’s work-based learning program, Brianne would occasionally pitch in and help Maggie Vinson, an OIHS grad now working at The Funhouse who also began there through the school’s program.

Jeanne Beck, Brianne’s supervisor, appreciates the qualities that Brianne brings to the job--her great sense of humor, her sense of responsibility, her ability to see what needs to be done and doing it. “She takes a lot of initiative, which I really appreciate,” said Beck, “and she is easy going with the kids.” Brianne’s own spin on working with the young clientele explains it all, “It’s The Funhouse . . . it’s supposed to be fun.”

In her position as “office person extraordinaire,” as Beck describes it, Brianne runs the front office, answers phones, and has to handle guests of all ages, interests, and backgrounds—“whatever comes in the door” or calls on the phone. “I haven’t thrown anything her way yet that she hasn’t been able to handle,” explains Beck, who plans to increase Brianne’s responsibilities soon, putting her in charge of the Saturday sessions.

Brianne has made such an impression on Funhouse staff that she is being considered for a long-term position there, to replace Vinson who will be leaving in January. This would no doubt suit Sandlin just fine, who likewise stated an interest in continuing there through her remaining high school years. “I love it. It’s the best job I could’ve gotten at my age.”

Seeking placement opportunity in local computer business

for a student interested in this career area. The student has taken the school’s Computer Tech class and assisted on campus with computer problems, troubleshooting, software installations, etc. Student would participate as a volunteer, unpaid worker, 4-5 hours a week from Jan. 25 to June 9. Contact Kay Grossman, Work-Based Learning Coordinator, 376-2287.

Key Club Completes Busiest Month of Service Yet

Key Club members have put in a marathon month of volunteer service. The level of participation by members exceeds that of all previous months in the five year existence of Key Club at OHS. This impressive and generous contribution of service includes:

- *24 members helped with the telethon to get out the vote for the Bond
- *27 members hosted doorbell ringers at Smuggler's Villa Resort's annual old fashioned, door-to-door Trick-r-Treat, a Key Club favorite
- *6 members collected money for UNICEF, joining Key Clubs around the world in raising money to combat Iodine Deficiency Disorder, the leading preventable cause of mental retardation
- *16 members served as guides/hosts to visiting college representatives at the school's Future's Fair
- *all members stuffed animals for Santa's toy bag during club meetings. This Kiwanis-sponsored activity is another favorite of club members.
- *13 members helped set up, serve, clean up and babysit for the OIEF Fundraiser, Food for Thought
- *7 members provided childcare services for Parent Class meetings and the SeaDoc lecture series
- *4 members helped set-up and serve refreshments at the Swing Dance to benefit the middle school music program
- *10 members are serving as Teen Tutors, meeting twice weekly with young students during their lunch period

Judging from early sign-ups, December holiday-centered events will continue this record-breaking performance, with even more events likely to be added to the agenda:

- *6 members have signed up to provide childcare for the Fire Fighters Annual Meeting and Banquet
- *10 members have signed up to serve and bus at the Library's Annual Holiday Tea

During this season of giving this represents a remarkable gift these young people have given to their school and community!

COUNSELING INFORMATION

It's time for seniors to get serious about those college applications. The counseling office has applications for WWU and WSU, but many schools, like the University of Washington, are expecting students either to download their applications from their web sites or to apply online. The Common College Application, which is accepted by a large number of independent institutions through out the US, can be accessed at commonapp.org. This application can be filled-out online and then copied for multiple schools. I also have been mailed quite a few applications to various private institutions. Application deadlines are coming up. Private school deadlines are often in January or even earlier. After the Christmas holiday, OHS does not resume until January 5th; therefore, all applications must be in the counseling office the week of December 15th so we can process and mail transcripts to meet those early deadlines. Students planning on attending Washington State institutions need to remember the January and/or February deadlines. I have encouraged students applying to the U of W or WWU to do so before the Christmas holidays since both schools fill quotas early, and the UW's deadline is January 15th.

The **FAFSA**, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, forms are in the counseling office. **This form must be submitted either by mail or online in order for a student to be considered for federal, state or institutional financial aid.** Remember that you need 2004 tax information to complete this form. The earliest submission date is January 1st. If you plan to file online, you may get your pin ahead of time at www.fafsa.ed.gov. It is a good idea to get your pin early and avoid the inevitable rush. Federal aid is limited so be sure to submit your form as soon after January 1st as possible. You may estimate your taxes if you expect delays getting W2s. Most Washington colleges require FAFSAs to have been submitted by **February 1-15** for a student to be considered for their aid or scholarships. Questions always arise concerning these forms and financial aid in general. Please call me if you have questions.

The next **SAT** to be given at OHS will be Saturday, January 22nd. The registration deadline for this test is December 20th. Juniors who will be taking SAT IIs in May should consider taking this test. Remember SAT IIs are only needed for those attending out-of-state or private schools. Most juniors will take the SAT I in May.

Juniors should take the SAT I sometime this school year. If they take the test once as a junior, then they have the opportunity to retake the test as a senior. The format for the SAT changes this March. Study materials are available in the counseling office for those who would like to prep for the new test.

Speaking of tests, the school has received scores for the **PLAN** assessment that sophomores took in October. This test not only assesses a student's academic aptitudes, but also his/her vocational interest areas. These test results and explanatory booklets will be given to sophomores, who took the test, before the holiday break. Please ask your student for his/her results. Juniors are anxious about their **PSAT** results. As yet, they have not arrived, but they should be here by early December. These scores will be given to juniors before the holiday break.

National Honor Society forms are due December 7th. The faculty committee that evaluates student criteria for NHS will be meeting during December to select new members. Students will be notified of acceptance at the NHS Induction Ceremony to be held in late January or early February.

Finally, January 21st marks the end of the first semester. Please encourage your student to make the most of the time remaining in the semester!

Fall Sports Wrap Up and Recognition

HS Soccer coaches Terry Turner and RJ Misiolek agree that they have a fantastic group of athletes. The NW A/B league selected Orcas for the "Team Sportsmanship Award" Players selected to the league's All Opponent First Team: Forward Sidney Hayworth and Fullback Kellan Bernhardt. Second Team: Midfield Becca Parrish and Goalie Rhys Temple. Honorable Mention: Forward Andon Hiltner and Fullback Jesse Goffeney. Orcas finished a strong 3rd in the league...Congratulations!

MS Soccer also had a fantastic season with 1st year coaches Monty Coffey and Chris Doherty at the helm...Congratulations on an undefeated season!

Our HS Volleyball team had quite the ride...#1 ranked NW B league, #1 at Tri District, and # 7 in State! Thank you to Coach Gregg and Louise Sasan for their continued leadership and support of all sports and 1st year assist coach and alumni Joe Duenn. The Lady Vikings were also selected in the NW A/B league for the "Team Sportsmanship Award." Players selected to the league's All Opponent First Team were: Backrow Anita Ihlenfeldt and Middle Hitter Megan Sanders; Second Team: Setter Jenole Peacock. Congratulations!

MS Volleyball also had a great season under the leadership of Coach Sandi Harris. Parent support was phenomenal! Other schools have noticed our super spirit and sportsmanship . . . thank you to all.

The winning legacy of Orcas Football holds true! Our team had an outstanding season finishing #1 in the NW B division. Our team played strong through the State quarterfinals! Congratulations on a fine season. Like every Viking team, the foundation is the support of many (far too many to mention), but you are appreciated! Mahalo, Muchas Gracias, Thanks!

NW A/B Football League selections: Hunter Easterling "Player of the Year;" All Opponent First Team: QB McLane Stone, RB Hunter Easterling, OL Chad Kimple, OL Taylor Tollefson, DL Tristian Savell, DS Chandler Stone; Second Team: DL Michael Rupp, RB Tristian Savell, DS Hunter Easterling, LB Taylor Tollefson; Honorable Mention: LB Colin Gaylord, WR Miles Murphy, OL Cameron Kamphaus.

Orcas Schools Athletics

Reminders to parents of athletes:

If you know your student will participant in any sport, you are both required to read the "Athletic Handbook." We must also receive the following prior to participation of that sport:

1. Agreement to Participate form
2. Guidelines for that Sport form
3. Physical Examination
4. Medical Authorization form
5. Participation Fee

As of June 2004, all physical examinations will be considered current for 2 years. Participation fees of \$100.00 for high school and \$75.00 for middle school provide equipment, uniforms, and officials' cost. These fees still fall short of covering overall expenses for co-curricular sports. Your athlete will be bringing home information on a number of fund raising events...WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP.

Athletic Fundraisers

The Athletic Sponsorship program is in full swing. Sponsors may choose from two levels:

Gold Sponsorship: a contribution of \$300.00 or more includes a sign displayed in the high school gym with your name/business and your choice of a motivational quote, two Winter Sports Season Passes, a plaque showing your support OHS athletics for you to display, your name/ business on event programs, and a current sport schedule mailed to you.

Silver sponsorship: a contribution of \$100.00 or more includes one Winter Sports Season Pass, your name/business on all event programs, a current sport schedule mailed to you, and a plaque to display that you support OHS athletics. If you are interested in participating or know someone who may be interested, please call Jaylin Peacock.

First Annual Hoop Fest: On Tuesday, November 30th at 6:00 p.m. in the High School gym, players from our basketball teams will find sponsors and attempt to shoot a basket from 5 different places on the court. Each sponsor will spend as little as \$5.00 or a maximum of \$25.00. If the player makes a half court basket, the sponsors that he/she gathered will donate \$25.00 each, and that player is done. If they miss at half court, they will move to the NBA three point line for \$20, high school three-point line for \$15, free throw line for \$10, and a final attempt to do a lay-in for \$5. Each player will have three attempts at each spot and once they make a basket they are done. Refreshments will be served ...come join the festivities!

Bilbo's will host two benefit dinners on **Thursday December 2**, and **Thursday January 6**, from 4 p.m. – 8 p.m. All proceeds will be donated to OHS Athletic Department. Come and enjoy Bilbo's fine fare and support OHS athletic at the same time...Thank you Cy & Julie Fraser!!

Orcas Vikings at KEY ARENA!

The "Court of Dreams" program gives high school athletes an opportunity to play a contest on the professional court, then watch the pros play! Tickets are \$24.00 each and will be admittance to both Orcas vs. Coupeville Boys Varsity@ 12:45 and Girls Varsity@ 2:45 and the **Seattle Sonics vs. The Philadelphia 76ers** @ 7 p.m. on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28.

Basketball schedule:

We can only hope that the schedule attached is final. Please note the revised date on the basketball schedule. Visit www.orcaslandschools.org hosted by Orcas net inc. for revisions.

Winter Sports Passes (or "Season tickets") will be available at the gate for \$50.00.

A call for volunteers: Parents, Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles, friends, and neighbors . . . you don't need to have an athlete to participate! The foundation of any successful program is the people that support it. We would appreciate your time in any manner: admissions gate, gym preparation, simple administrative tasks, concessions, ideas, halftime entertainment shooting contest, the list goes on...Tell us how you would like to help.

Orcas Island Readiness to Learn Program

Suddenly your “baby” is 18 and graduating from High School. Perhaps he/she will go to a 4-year college, a 2-year college, a technical or certificate program, travel, or opt for work. But regardless of his/her choice one thing will remain a constant; they are on their own as legal adults. From this moment on, the responsibility and consequences for their choices rests in their hands. From 18 to 25, most young adults take time to explore their personal beliefs and values. These emergent ideas come mostly from their youth and adolescence (all those things you taught them!). Values and beliefs are usually “refined” to fit with their new maturity level, independence and lifestyle choices. It is also a time to explore career choices and roles. As a result of the shifts, your child will also be changing certain aspects of their relationship with their family and friends. This is not only normal, but also inevitable.

However, with all that said, a parent is a parent for the rest of their lives. Just because children grow up and move on to other aspects of their lives, parents don’t stop worrying about them or learning from them. So what should a parent know about the years from 18-25? One thing to know is that brain development still continues during this period of time, so lifestyle choices are still critical to continued healthy development. According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), “overall rates of drug use peak and begin to subside during these years.” Dr. Nora D. Volkow, NIDA Director, states that “About 25 percent of smoking, 33 percent of marijuana use, and roughly 70 percent of cocaine abuse begins after age 17. Personal, social, and demographic factors such as education, employment, and home environment all appear to influence the patterns of abuse in this period.”

NIDA is initiating substance abuse prevention research specifically targeting this age group. Some areas of focus will include interpersonal relationships, such as the negative influence of substance use by an intimate partner, while other areas of interest will explore the social atmosphere of college campuses and places of work. However, it is important to remember that even though your “new adult” may experiment with different choices, values, and lifestyles, do not underestimate the impact of your influence on them during childhood and adolescence. The messages and modeling that you gave them during these critical years doesn’t suddenly disappear (although it may seem like it at times). This is still a transition phase that requires continued parenting, just in a more hands off fashion. Dr. Volkow also states that, “Most youths who abuse drugs in their teens or early twenties desist as they mature into full adults...” Your responses to them during this transition time may look different that when they were 10 or 15, but the principles are still the same: be honest, be compassionate, be loving, be strong, walk your talk, spend whatever time you can with them, and most of all enjoy them.

(SOURCE: NIDA NOTES, from the Director's Column, Vol. 19, No. 3 (September 2004))

For more information or questions about Readiness to Learn or this article, contact Eden Bailey at 376-5226 or ebailey@orcas.k12.wa.us

Middle School Parent Class Meetings

Middle school years can be exhilarating and tough. Young teens are on a roller coaster ride with their hormones and emotions; at the same time they are really beginning to push away from their parents and place even more emphasis on their peers. “There is powerful new evidence that the years between the end of 6th grade and the end of 9th grade (or between ages 12 and 15) are the most critical time in a youth’s life for developing his or her pattern of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use or nonuse. During this “36 month window of increased vulnerability,” rates of use prevalence skyrocket and reach nearly 80th of the rate that will be reached by high school graduation. Although youth may increase the frequency, intensity, and variety of their drug use after 9th grade, the basic decision to use or not to use is made, for most youth, during 7th, 8th and 9th grade.”(The Indiana Prevention Resource Center survey-1998)

So even as your middle school child appears to be listening more to peers than the adults in their life, parental and other caring adult input and guidance is extremely important. Keeping positive communication going with your child is one key, and connecting and communicating with others parents can help you be more tuned in to what is going on with your child's class. Middle school parent class meetings are scheduled for:

8th grade – Monday, January 10, 7:00 PM – Mrs. Anderson's classroom

7th grade – Monday, January 31, 7:00 PM – Ms. Perry's classroom

The girls MS Basketball schedule is not set yet and if Monday January 31 ends up being a conflict with a basketball game, we'll look at rescheduling this date.

Your Teen and the Law

Parents and their 8th grade through high school teens are invited to attend a Roundtable on Your Teen and Law on Tuesday February 15, 7:00 PM in the school library with those who truly know – Juvenile Justice, Orcas deputies, WA State Liquor Control Officer, and an insurance agent. Just what are the consequences if your child is driving in a car with other teens and there is alcohol in the car? Does your youth understand that any alcohol in the bloodstream above a .02 will result in a charge of DUI for that youth. Loss of drivers licenses and stiff fines can really be a hassle. What are the implications for a teen's and parents' already expensive insurance fees? Helping your teen understand the laws and consequences they may face if arrested as Minor in Possession of alcohol or other drugs is one way to support your teen in making the positive choice to be drug and alcohol free. The latest research indicates that a teen's brain is developing in the critical areas related to judgment, responsibility, and memory connected to learning, so each year a parent can help their teen grow with out the influences of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs allows your teen's brain to finish out its developmental growth.

The Funhouse Discovery Center

Going Away Party for Maggie Vinson

There will be a going away party for Maggie Vinson on Wednesday December 15th from 4:00 to 5:30pm. Maggie is leaving at the first of the year for a grand adventure off-island. Come say goodbye and good luck to Maggie, a true island treasure.

Teen Apprentice Program

This new program matches a younger student with a high-school student for a 4 to 6 week period with the goal of the teenager teaching the younger student a skill, such as playing the guitar, or helping them explore an interest, such as making a movie. The teen earns a small stipend for the commitment and the younger student is more inspired working with someone closer to their age. If you have a skill or an interest that you would like to pass on, please call The Funhouse. It can be easier than you think to make a difference in a young person's life.

One Thousand Peace Cranes

The Funhouse has joined forces with Jane Alden on the quest of making one thousand peace cranes to be shipped to the United Nations. Our goal is to fold 100 cranes per day between December 1st and December 15th. We need our community to help with this endeavor. Open to all ages.

Forty Stockings Project

Please join us in making forty holiday stockings for the elderly in our community. Help us sew and fill the stockings with both practical goodies (gloves, soap and batteries) as well as one "not so practical" gift. Friday and Saturday nights in December during Teen Night.

Congratulations to Brianne Sandlin!

The Funhouse's own Brianne Sandlin was selected "Career Choices Student of the Month" for December. Brianne has been with The Funhouse since September and has become an integral member of our team. We couldn't run this place without her. Thank you Brianne!!!

Funhouse Flyer

Watch for our flyer in early January jammed full of new programs, classes and activities for the New Year. We always have our thinking caps on over here at the fun factory, but please call us with any of your ideas you would love to see happen.

Funhouse Closure

There will be Teen Night on December 17th and 18th. Then The Funhouse will close for much needed repair and maintenance and will reopen to the public on Friday, January 7th at 3:00pm and at 6:00pm for Teen Night. We hope your holidays are filled with joy and family. Thank you for your support.

ORCAS CENTER NEWS

Auditions for Romeo & Juliet

Orcas Center announces auditions for its spring mainstage production—Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet, directed by Jane Alden. There are approximately 15 roles for teenagers and adults.

Auditions will be Monday, December 6, 6-9 p.m.; Tuesday, December 7, 6-9 p.m.; and Wednesday, December 8, 4-8 p.m. Please sign up for an audition time on the sheet posted outside Orcas Center. (Walkups are welcome, but may have to wait.)

Callbacks will be on Sunday 12/12, between 1 and 4pm. Rehearsals will begin in earnest in February, with performances April 22—May 7.

Spring Theatre Class

And as second semester registration rolls around, don't forget that we are offering a independent study class in Theatre and Stagecraft taught by Jane Alden in the B-3 time slot. Students will have a chance to work on various aspects of Romeo and Juliet and also produce work of their own.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Orcas Island School District's DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL EDUCATION serves people with disabilities from birth to age 21. If you suspect that you or your child may have a disability, please call the District Office at 376-2284.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD

The Annual School Report Card for the Orcas Island School District and its individual schools as required by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act can be found at www.k12.wa.us <<http://www.k12.wa.us>> (Click on ESEA Report Card link, select Orcas Island School District, and click on ESEA Report Card for the district or an individual school.) If you do not have Internet access, copies of the Annual Report Card are available at the District Office."

HONOR ROLL AND HIGH HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to the following students who achieved Honor Roll or High Honor Roll for the first quarter of this school year. Middle School students were recognized for their achievement at an assembly on Friday, November 19th. Since high school grades are not final until the semester, high school students who achieve Honor Roll and High Honor Roll for the semester will be recognized at an assembly at the beginning of February.

Orcas Island Middle and High Schools

Honor Roll 3:25-3.49GPA November 2004

7th GRADE

Samantha Tidwell
Tyler Nigretto
Willie Eagan
Christina Tisinger
Henri Bredouw
Sam Sare
Alyssa Ledgerwood
Hannah North
Bobbi Lowry

8th GRADE

Chelsea Marks
Kati Dawn Pinardi
Chloe Scott
Samantha Taylor
Devon Passer

9th GRADE

Thaddeus Gincig
Reid Cooper
Anika Sanders
Chris Troutman
Aerial Brown
Josh Culp
Annie Ray
Marie Westgate

10th GRADE

Elena Chocano
Lindsay Curtis
Raymond Harvey
Joe Sumrall
Jessica Crane
Mark Wulff
Suzanna Wrightsman
Teddy Coe
Genna Gaylord
Greg Griffith
Leah Armbrust

11th GRADE

Sarah Avera
Domonique Pinardi
Tiffany Holtman
Afton Jones
Tork Rosenvinge
Denali Wood
Scott Burger
Dusti Bivens
Jack Bitzer
Andon Hiltner

12th GRADE

Seth Berdan
Rachel Harvey
Kellan Bernhardt

Orcas Island Middle and High Schools

**High Honor Roll
3.50-4.00 GPA
November 2004**

7th GRADE

Taylor Diepenbrock
Elena Padbury
Stephanie Shaw
Emily Diepenbrock
Terri Vinson
Lee Paluzzi
Elaine Irwin
Jeanie Tran
Rebecca Lucas
Alex Brown

8th GRADE

Elli Blaine
Lily Sky
Larry March
Amelia Carver
Emma Gallo-Chasanoff
Challis Stephans
Hannah Sides
Sam Parish
Morgan Borman
Barrett North
Alex Waldron
Jacqueline Flowers

9th GRADE

Cara Peacock
Melissa Moran-Hodge
Jenna Schmidt
Sarah Turner
Tate Wester
Jessica McClary
Carly McNulty
Katie Troutman
Anthony Ghazel
Megan Corbett
Lea Bossler

10th GRADE

Willie Clancy
Ian Sides
Annie Kucklick
Zach Dolan
Laura Swanland
Miel Bredouw
Dyan Holmes
Nate Rivas
Sofie Padbury
Conrad Wrobel
Aaron Bennett
Alexa Nigretto
Aaron Flowers
Brittany Jade
Andy Nigretto
Elena Chocano

11th GRADE

Sophie Sisson
Megan Sanders
Minta Allred
Woody Ciskowski
Hailee Douglass
Jenole Peacock
Lindsey Tellefsen
Muriel Gallo-Chasanof
Jenny Boucher
Erinn Nelson
Winslow Moran-Hodge
Miles Murphy
Chandler Stone
Sidney Hayworth

12th GRADE

McLane Stone
Crystal Taylor
Zach Smith
Amanda Callahan
Anita Ihlenfeldt
Mike Rupp
Minnie Bredouw
Rachel Naumann
Harmonie Keene
Cameron Sides
Colin Gaylord
Martina Vargova'
Leah Schmidt
Corri O'Grady
Makayla Speed
Becca Parish
Branden McCoy
Monte Ashby