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### Next Steps for Strategic Planning Meeting

The Orange Board of Education held the last of three meetings, on April 27, organized to construct a Strategic Plan for the Orange Public School District. The two previous meetings satisfied the following:

1. Outlined the strengths, achievements and challenges of the Orange Public Schools
2. Drafted a vision for the Orange Township Public Schools over the next five years

At the final session, participants, including staff, students, district administrators, city officials and members of the community, broke up into 4 groups based on the following goal areas: 21st Century Learning, Community Engagement and Outreach, Culture & Climate, and Finance & Facilities/Safety.

The task for each group was to write a broad statement for each goal area and develop 4 - 5 objectives based on the common threads from all previous work.

Ms. Charlene Peterson and Mr. Al Annunziata, from the New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA), facilitated the meeting. They thanked the participants for their involvement.



**Pictured (top to bottom): Charlene Peterson, NJSBA and Superintendent Lee at the April 27 meeting.**

The next steps are:

1. The New Jersey School Boards Association (NJSBA) will present a Strategic Plan at an upcoming Board of Education Meeting
2. Action Plans will be developed for each goal statement and objective



**Pictured (left to right): The Culture & Climate group, the Community Engagement and Outreach group.**



**Pictured (left to right): The Finance and Facilities/Safety group, the 21st Century Learning group.**

## **The 4th Annual Orange Dance Festival 2015**

The Orange Dance Conservatory held its third annual Dance Festival on April 26, with over 300 in attendance.

The day long festival, made possible by the Orange Board of Education, included Master Dance classes, Zumba, acting and more, for dance supporters age 5 through adults. From children to grownups, from beginners to seasoned dancers and from individuals to dance studio groups, they had the opportunity to take a full day of classes in a variety of dance styles. Participants met with some of the top Master Dance educators in the fields of hip-hop, jazz, ballet and tap.



The festival featured Mr. Sean Bankhead, hip-hop dance impresario from Dance 411 Studios in Atlanta, former Dance Theatre of Harlem Company Member, Ms. Karen “KB” Brown and Ms. Ebony Williams, a member of the Cedar Lake Contemporary Ballet Company. Also there to instruct dancers were members of the Orange school’s staff.

Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee, there to support the event commented, “The 4th Annual Orange Dance Festival was created and continues to be sponsored by the Orange Public School District. It is a wonderful event for our students and the community and we are proud of this activity that supports the performing arts and provides avenues for our students to learn from master dance instructors.” He thanked the event organizer, Mrs. Deborah Rembert, dance teacher at Park Avenue School and Director of the Orange Dance Conservatory, for her commitment and dedication. “We are also thankful to the New Jersey Education Association (NJEA) for supporting the event this year.” Ms. Gloria Stewart, speaking on their behalf, acknowledged the sponsorship of the event by the NJEA, affirming that she was proud to support such an effort for public education.

The Honorable Mayor Dwayne D. Warren also gave remarks, noting the significance of the event for the community. He recognized several Council Members, including Council President Donna K. Williams and Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson who were present. Mayor Warren was also a dance participant at the festival.

Numerous staff members lent their support to this annual event.



**Pictured (above): Scenes from the 4th Annual Orange Dance Festival.**

**News 12 Covers the Dance Festival:**



**Pictured: Image from News 12 with Della Crews.**

Two 30-second spots, using photos provided by Ms. Deborah Rembert, were shared with News 12's TV audiences, by anchor, Della Crews, on April 28, during the 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. and the 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. newscasts.

A copy of the two 30-second spots will be placed on the district website ([www.orange.k12.nj.us](http://www.orange.k12.nj.us)) at a later date.



**Pictured: Orange staff at the registration desk.**



**Pictured: Superintendent Lee, Principal Faith Alcantara, Heywood Avenue School, Mr. Sean Bankhead, Mrs. Deborah Rembert, Mr. Omar Mitchell, Technology Coordinator.**



**Pictured above: Orange Council President, the Honorable Donna K. Williams, the Honorable Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Mrs. Gloria Stewart Orange Education Association, Mr. Sean Bankhead and Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee.**

## Orange Preparatory Academy Employee of the Month

Submitted by Mr. Ronald Jones, Math Resource teacher and SMT Chairperson, Orange Preparatory Academy



**Pictured: Mr. Darryl Smith with his Orange Preparatory Academy Employee of the Month plaque.**

The Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) Employee of the Month, for March, is Mr. Darryl Smith, OPA Guidance Counselor. Ms. Kashan Green, administrative assistant at OPA, nominated him for his efforts preparing students and staff for the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). She wrote:

“I nominate Darryl Smith for the employee of the month for March because of his dedication in ensuring that the OPA students and staff were prepared for the PARCC test. He diligently dedicated his time to make sure all the students were registered with the state and all the materials were available and ready for the 2 weeks testing period.”

## Heywood Avenue Student Receives 4th Grade Folder Contest Award

Submitted by Mrs. Kelley Clark, Art teacher, Heywood Avenue School



On April 29, Heywood Avenue fourth grader, Briana Duchene, received an award as a finalist, from "Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey in Cooperation with the Governors Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and the NJ Department of Human Services," for her entry into the 4th Grade Folder Contest.

All fourth grade students at Heywood Avenue School participated in the “fun things to do instead of drugs” folder contest, in the late fall. Over 360 schools across New Jersey participated with over 8000 student artworks submitted for consideration. Of the many entries, 30 students were chosen for the integrity and interest of their anti-drug message, as well as the overall artistic composition.

Briana and the other 29 finalists were invited to the Newark Museum where they received a medal and a certificate, as well as a copy of next year’s anti-drug poster, featuring their work. Briana attended with her parents and her brother Anderson, a sixth grader and her art teacher, Mrs. Kelley Clark, as the school representative.



Two students were selected as grand winners and their artwork will be published on folders that all fourth grade students in New Jersey are able to receive next year.

After the award ceremony, all participants and guests were treated to lunch in the museum ballroom followed by a private guided tour of the Museum.

Briana was very pleased with herself and the opportunity to represent Heywood. Her drawing will be featured on Anti-drug posters that will be distributed to all New Jersey fourth graders. Go Briana!

To see Briana's poster visit <http://www.drugfreenj.org/blog/post/4th-grade-folder-contest-crowns-new-winner/>

## FYI

### Community Health Fair Scheduled for May 9, 2015



The Health and Physical Education Department of the Orange Public School District will hold it's annual Community Health Fair on Saturday, May 9 at Lincoln Avenue School, located at 216 Lincoln Avenue, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The event will feature:

- Health screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, rapid HIV, eye exams and more
- Vendors selling a variety of gifts, just in time for Mother's Day
- Free amusement rides, carnival booths, games and fun for the entire family

(See flyer below)

**2015-2016 Preschool Registration - New Schedule Announced for April and May**

**Preschool Registration  
2015-2016**



The Orange Township Public School District began preschool registration for the 2015-2016 school year on March 2. All children who are residents of Orange and will be 3 or 4 years of age by October 1, 2015, are eligible to attend free, full day, pre-school, in the Pre-K 3 or Pre-K 4 class.







The May Spring registration session is as follows:

- May 2015, Tuesdays – 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>

Registration will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with the last sign in at 1:00 p.m., at the Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue in Orange

Two proofs of residency are required, as well as the child's original birth certificate and immunization record. Also, a parent or legal guardian must show a current lease or mortgage statement and a picture ID. For more information, call 973-677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918. (See flyers below)

**May 2015**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> National Dance Week Celebration 1:00 - 4:30PM at Park Ave. School 	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> OHS Lobby Art Show 6:00PM Administrative Bldg.	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  11AM-3PM at Lincoln Avenue School
<b>10</b>  Happy Mother's Day!	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Monthly BOE Meeting 7:30PM at OPA	<b>13</b> Orange High School Teen Job and Career Fair 3:30 - 6:30PM at OHS	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  11AM-2PM - Oakwood Ave. Community School Health Clinic Ribbon Cutting/Block Party
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Annual BOE Organization Meeting 6:00PM at Admin. Bldg.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  MEMORIAL DAY District Closed	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> District Prof. Development Day 12:30PM Dismissal for Students	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>  District Jeans for Troops Day	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>						

**ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PARCC END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

<b>April / May 2015</b>						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
26	27 Cleveland Forest Gr 3-4 M1 Heywood Gr 3-4 M1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M1 Park Gr 3-4 M1 RPCS Gr 3 M1	28 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M1 Forest Gr 3-4 M2 Heywood Gr 3-4 M 2 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M2 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M 2 Park Gr 3-4 M 2 RPCS Gr 3 M2	29 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M2 Forest Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Heywood Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 ELA1 Park Gr 3-4 ELA 1 RPCS Gr 3 ELA 1	30 Cleveland Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Forest Gr 5-6 M1 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M 1	1 Cleveland Make ups Forest Gr 5-6 M2 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M2	2
3	4 Cleveland Gr 5-7 M1 Forest Gr 5-6 ELA 1 Heywood Gr 5 M1 Lincoln Gr 5-6M 1 Oakwood Gr 5-7 – M1 Park Gr 5 -7 M1 RPCS Gr 6-7 ELA 1	5 Cleveland Gr 5-7 M2 Forest Gr 6 ELA 2 Heywood Gr 5 M2 Lincoln Gr 5-6 M1 Oakwood Gr 5-7 M2 Park Gr 5-7 M2 RPCS Gr 6-7 ELA 2	6 Cleveland Gr 5-7ELA 1 Forest Gr 7 M 1 Heywood Gr 5 ELA 1 Lincoln Gr 5-6 ELA 1 Oakwood Gr 5-7 ELA1 Park Gr 5-7 ELA 1 RPCS Gr 4 – 5 M 1	7 Cleveland Gr 6-7 ELA 2 Forest Gr 7 M2 Heywood Gr 6-7 M1 Lincoln Gr 6 ELA 2 Oakwood Gr 6-7 ELA 2 Park Gr 6-7 ELA 2 RPCS Gr 4-5 M 2	8 Cleveland Make ups Forest Gr 7 ELA 1 Heywood Gr 6-7 M2 Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 4-5 ELA 1	9
10	11 Forest Gr 7 ELA 2 Heywood Gr 6-7 ELA 1 Lincoln Gr 7 M1 RPCS Make ups	12 Forest Make ups Heywood Gr 6-7 ELA 2 Lincoln Gr 7 M2 RPCS Make ups <u>CIAO</u> , Alg I-II; Geo Units 1 & 2	13 Forest Make ups Heywood Make ups Lincoln Gr 7 ELA 1 RPCS Make ups <u>CIAO</u> , Eng I-III Units 1 & 2	14 Forest Make ups Heywood Make ups Lincoln Gr 7 ELA 2 RPCS Make ups OPA Gr 8 M 1 & 2 CIAO Make ups	15 Forest Make ups Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups RPCS Make ups OPA Gr 8 ELA 1 & 2 CIAO Make ups	16
17	18 Make Ups- 3-8 OPA Gr 9, and OHS Alg I-II; Geo Units 1 & 2	19 Make Ups 3-8 OPA Gr 9, and OHS Eng I-III Units 1 & 2	20 Make Ups 3-11	21 Make Ups 3-11	22 Make Ups 3-11	23



# NATIONAL DANCE WEEK

2015

CELEBRATION

**SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2015**

**1PM - 3:30 PM**

**PARK AVENUE SCHOOL  
231 PARK AVE. ORANGE, NJ**

MASTER CLASSES

WITH

SPECIAL GUESTS



**DEREK MITCHELL  
(STREET JAZZ)**



**ALISON STROMING  
(BALLET)**

**Admission at the Door**

**\$20**



# Community Health Fair

## Saturday, May 9, 2015



10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

### Lincoln Ave. Gym & Parking Lot

216 Lincoln Ave.

**GAMES • CARNIVAL BOOTHS • DJ  
AMUSEMENT RIDES • MOTHER'S DAY ITEMS FOR  
SALE**



#### FREE SCREENINGS FOR:

**BLOOD PRESSURE - GLAUCOMA  
EYE EXAM- GLUCOSE TESTING - CHLAMYDIA- GONNORHEA  
TRIGGER POINT MASSAGE/RAPID RELEASE PAIN  
MANAGEMENT AND SPINAL ADJUSTMENT  
RAPID HIV SCREENING RESULTS**



#### INFORMATION & REFERRALS ON:

**BREAST, CERVICAL, PROSTATE & COLON/RECTAL HEALTH \*  
STD \* DRUG ABUSE \* BIRTH CONTROL \* FAMILY PLANNING \*  
FOSTER CARE \* CHILD ABUSE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (973) 677-4000 EXT. 5042

Sponsored by the Orange School District Health, Physical Education Department





The Orange **PRIDE** Youth Job Readiness Program Presents ...



# Teen Job & Career Fair

- Resume Writing Tips
- The “Do’s” and “Don’ts” of Interviewing
  - Career Information
- Employment Opportunities



**Come meet with employers who are ready to hire you!**



**Wednesday, May 13 2015**

**3:30 pm– 6:30pm**

**Orange High School  
Student Cafeteria**

**\*\* Contact Linda Siddiq\*\*  
(973) 677-4050 \*5077**







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Administration Building  
451 Lincoln Avenue Orange, New Jersey 07050  
Tel: (973) 677-4015  
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Mr. Ronald C. Lee  
Superintendent of Schools  
Jacquelyn Blanton  
Supervisor of Early Childhood

Candace Goldstein  
Director of Special Programs

## REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

### REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/15
- 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/15
- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable, NO CELLPHONE!) deben ser actual.**
- **SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRATO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**

### **REGISTRACIÓN:**

**AVRIL 2015 - MARTES 21, 28**

**MAYO 2015 - MARTES 5, 12, 19, y 26**

**10:00am-200pm**

**Tiene que firmar antes de las 1:00pm**

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050  
(973) 677-4500 ext 1904, 1918**

**SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESARROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.**



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## District Community Health Fair

### Community Health Fair Scheduled for Saturday, May 9

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**OACS and Discovery Education**

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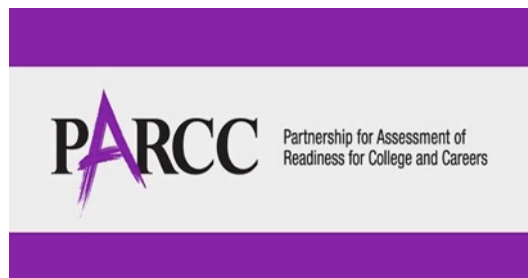
The annual Orange Township Public School District's Community Health Fair takes place this Saturday, May 9, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., at Lincoln Avenue School, located at 216 Lincoln Avenue. The school's gymnasium will be filled with information tables manned by a range of healthcare providers, including valuable health screenings, along with vendors selling a variety of gifts, just in time for Mother's Day.

Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee, states, "The Community Health Fair is one of the many events that the school district offers for the entire community. It provides valuable health information and resources for Orange citizens. It is also a fun day for our families!"

Ms. Saundra Gray, Supervisor for Health and Physical Education has organized this event for the school district for over 13 years, with the intent of providing the community with access to medical information and healthcare resources. There will be free screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, rapid HIV screenings, eye examinations and much more. The fair is also a recreational outlet for children, with activities available during the event. There will be free amusement rides, carnival booths and games.

The Community Health Fair is free and open to the public.

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## Superintendent of Schools Honors the Teaching Staff and Nurses

In honor of *National Teacher Appreciation Day and Week* and *National Nurses Day and Week*, Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools sent a letter to all staff, stating:

“I want to express my appreciation and say thank you for educating, caring, encouraging, and preparing our students for life's challenges and successes.

“I would also like to commend our nurses, in recognition of *National Nurses Week*, for the care they provide our students.”

## School Nurse Receives Letters for Nurses Day

*Submitted by Mrs. Emily Quaye, Nurse, Heywood Avenue School*



**Pictured: Nurse Quaye with her cards.**

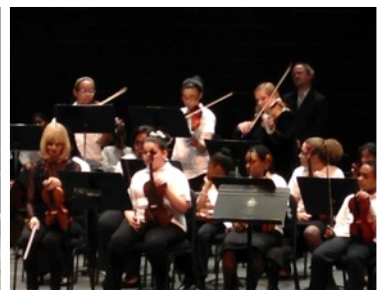
Heywood Avenue School Nurse, Mrs. Emily Quay, was representative of the response school nurses received for National Nurses Day, on May 6. “I had a great day of recognition on the 6th, with the students drawing cards for me on *School Nurses Day*, she said.

The cards have been posted on her notice board in front of her office. She expresses thanks to the students for their sentiments

## The M.A.N.Y. Students Perform at NJPAC

*Submitted by Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts*

Approximately 30 students from Orange Public Schools have been participating in an exciting activity in partnership with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) and the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. The program, the Music Advancement for Newark-Area Youth (M.A.N.Y.), has offered Orange students music lessons on wind and stringed instruments since January 2015. This event, held April 30th, at the NJPAC’s Victoria Theatre, was the first public performance of these talented students. The students have been chaperoned by Mrs. Erin-Leigh Van Orden (Heywood), Ms. Marianne Mroz (Park), and Mr. Glenn Gamble (OPA) every week. There will be a culminating performance for the year on Saturday, May 9th, 7:30 p.m., at Montclair State University inside Memorial Auditorium. <http://www.montclair.edu/arts/theatre-and-dance/facilities/memorial-auditorium/>



**Pictured: Orange students on stage at the Victoria Theatre at NJPAC in Newark.**

## Superintendent of Schools Honored at the 130th Anniversary Celebration of the Orange Public Library



The Orange Public Library (OPL) celebrated its 130th Anniversary on April 30, to a jubilant crowd of Township officials and Essex County dignitaries. The evening, hosted by the Mistress of Ceremony, Joyce Harley, Esq. was a occasion to acknowledge the importance of the library, as she had everyone join her in exclaiming, “libraries matter!”

The evening’s event began with students from Orange Preparatory Academy (***pictured right***). First, there was the raising of the flag by Taiwo Odunowo and the flag salute by Jenny Rodriguez. Anessa Larathe then sang the *Star Spangled Banner* to warm applause before Andrew Coates read the introduction of the Mistress of Ceremonies.



There were many noted dignitaries who addressed the attentive audience and many more who were acknowledged.

Mr. Timur Davis, Director of the OPL, spoke. He thanked the community and contributors for their support, the many partners involved and the treasure that the Orange community has in such a historic building.



**Pictured (left to right): Mr. Timur Davis, Ms. Joyce Harley.**

Ms. Candace Goldstein, the school district’s Director of Special Programs and Fund Raising Chair for the Orange Library Board of Trustees, spoke on their behalf. She recognized the work of those committed to restoring the library, stating, “We want to take this beautiful 19th century building and turn it into the nexus of learning for the 21st Century here in Orange.”



**Pictured (left to right): Ms. Candace Goldstein, Ms. Esney Sharpe.**

The anniversary celebration honored two members of the Orange community. Ms. Karen Wells, Chair of the Orange Historic Commission and a former Trustee of the Library, who, as stated by the Honorable Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq., worked tirelessly on behalf of the Library, received a plaque for her service.



**Pictured: Ms. Wells received award from Mayor Dwayne Warren and Mr. Timur Davis.**



Also receiving a plaque was Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools, **(pictured below)**. He was honored for his service and commitment to library patrons and the citizens of Orange.



Mr. Lee was thankful for the recognition, acknowledging the board members' contributions and the accomplishments of the district. He spoke of the partnership between the library, the city and the school district.

Other speakers for the evening included, Ms. Esney Sharpe, New Jersey State Library Trustee Board member, the Honorable Tency Eason, Orange Councilwoman, who introduced the audience to the library staff, the Honorable Sheila Oliver, Assemblywoman, the Honorable Thomas Giblin, Assemblyman, who pledged a \$1,000 donation to the library, and Freeholder, Ms. Lebbly Jones, and the Register of Deeds and Mortgages, Ms. Dana Rone, who read a proclamation commemorating the library.



**Pictured: Councilwoman Eason introduces the library staff.**



**Pictured: Assemblyman Thomas Giblin and Assemblywoman Sheila Oliver.**



**Pictured: Ms. Dana Rone and Freeholder L. Jones**



**Pictured (left to right): Ms. Harley, Mayor Warren, Superintendent Lee, Board President Patricia Arthur, Board Members Mr. E. Lydell Carter, Ms. Cristina Mateo and Mrs. Paula Desormes.**

## **The Orange High School Diversity Club Pageant**

*Submitted by Mrs. Maria Vera-Diaz, World Language - Spanish teacher, OHS*



The Diversity Club at Orange High School held a *Princesa Nuestra Belleza Latina* pageant, celebrating the diverse student population, on April 30. Seven students from Orange High School and Orange Preparatory Academy participated in the pageant, followed by a *Fiesta Latina*, which was also a fundraiser for the group.

The contestants were evaluated on their “cultural knowledge, opinions about topical issues and talents and skills.”

- Ashley Kisson (OHS) 1st Place
- Andrifer Santana (OPA) 2nd Place
- Naomi Ulloa (OHS)
- Jacqueline Maldonado (OPA)
- Melissa Isidore (OHS)
- Wishilove Saint Paul (OHS)
- Ashley Sensatus (OHS)

The event featured announcers from the Diversity Club, student DJs, food and was attended by other staff members and many family and friends. OPA Assistant Principal, Mr. Noel Cruz and Dr. Kalisha Morgan, Co-Principal at OHS, were also in attendance.



The Diversity Club celebrates the different cultures that exist in Orange. The club shares customs and worlds with each other and the community. The club advisors are Spanish teachers, Mrs. Maria Vera-Diaz and Mrs. Milagros Anto, They were supported by other World Language instructors in the planning and execution of the pageant. The judges for the event were **(pictured left, bottom row/top row)**: Ms. Sharon Cooper, Social Studies

teacher, Ms. Jean Jackson, Social Studies teacher, Ms. Claudia Alvarado, ESL teacher, Ms. Cristina Alvarez, ESL Language Arts teacher and Ms. Cynthia Rutty, Math teacher. Students, Bertha Erazo, Rosario Espichan and Medjyna Jean Baptiste served as announcers for the event.



**Pictured (top row): Princesa Nuestra Belleza Latina contestants.**



**Pictured (bottom row): “DJs”; Announcers; Scene from the pageant.**



**Pictured: Scenes from the pageant.**

## **Mock Trial at Orange Preparatory Academy for Law Day**

On May 1, as part of Law Day 2015, students at Orange Preparatory Academy participated in a Mock Trial. Essex Vicinage Office of the Ombudsman, in partnership with the Essex County Bar Association (ECBA), arranged for judges and members of the ECBA to visit OPA and other local participating schools to assist with conducting the mock trials. The school coordinator for the event was Mrs. Kathleen Gengaro, Social Studies teacher.

“The purpose of this activity is for students to develop an understanding of the trial process, the roles of those in the courtroom, their importance to the administration of justice, and the significance of their constitutional protections.”

The case enacted by the students, *The State of New Jersey v. Junior N. Nocent* sought to resolve a hypothetical dispute “Who’s the thief at Jobs Computer Store?” The proceedings involved, the Honorable Verna G. Leath, J.S.C, Presiding, student Attorney for the State, Andrew Coates, supported by Attorney Yasmine McMorrin and students Defense Attorney, Shahyan Abraham, supported by Attorney Jessica A. Buffman.



**Pictured (left to right): Judge Leath; Defense Attorney (student); Defendant (student) and Attorney McMorrin.**

Judge Leath reviewed the case for the jury and the audience of students and staff viewing the court proceedings. Witnesses were called and sworn in by a member of the Essex County Sheriff’s Department before being questioned and cross-examined by the attorneys. After closing arguments were heard, the judge gave detailed instructions to the jury, offering legal definitions and clarity for jury deliberation. The verdict rendered for the defendant, played by Leodson Jean Baptiste, was innocent of the charge of theft (shoplifting) and guilty of the charge of criminal mischief.



**Pictured: Witness being sworn-in by Sheriff; State's Attorney (student), Attorney Buffman, State's Attorney.**

Law Day, established in 1958, is officially honored on May 1. This year OPA joined 33 local public, private and charter schools in mock trials county-wide. The students at OPA prepared diligently for the trial, with the roles of witnesses played by Michael Sanchez (Inspector Bobb), Romeo Nyepan (Joey Pounder), Maymunah Ahmed (Maya McDougal) and Christian Vaca (as an alternate).



**Pictured (left to right): Mrs. Gengaro, Attorney Buffmam, Attorney, McMorrin; Principal Aretha Malloy, Student Attorney for the State, Judge Leath, Student Attorney for the Defendant, Sheriff, Assistant Principal Carrie Halstead.**



**Pictured: Mock Trial student participants.**

## **April Monthly Board of Education Meeting**

The Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) hosted the April Board of Education meeting. A trio playing jazz directed by OPA's instrumental music director, Mrs. Dorcas Robinson, met meeting attendees in the lobby with music, before Board President Patricia Arthur officially opened the meeting.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, by Taiwo Odunowo, Andrew Coates (**pictured top left**), introduced a video presentation about OPA, highlighting the school and the student body.



After the presentation, he introduced a dance piece directed by Ms. Deborah Rembert, performed by OPA students. Principal Aretha Malloy spoke to the audience, mentioning their school motto, "Allergic to Average."



**Pictured (above): OPA Board Presentation.**

**Student of the Month:**

Superintendent Ronald C. Lee and Board of Education President, Mrs. Patricia A. Arthur, presented students with certificates for being selected Student of the Month (SOTM). On a monthly basis, students are recognized for exemplary behavior, academics and citizenship by their school. The students honored were:

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>
Reginald Smart	Orange High School
Rickardo Francis	Career and Innovation Academy of Orange
Chisom Onyewuenyi	Orange Preparatory Academy
Samantha Alexandre	Cleveland Street School
Stephanie Barnave	Rosa Parks Community School
Nehyssa Turenne	Park Avenue School
Al'Yaasir Mungin	Heywood Avenue School
Catherine Harris	Forest Street School
Nanjanee Tubbs	Oakwood Avenue School
Matthew Quinn	Lincoln Avenue School

The SOTM are pictured below with Board of Education President, Mrs. Arthur, and Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Paula Howard.



**Pictured (left to right): OHS SOTM with parent and Co-Principals Dr Kalisha Morgan and Mr. Jason Belton; OPA SOTM with parent and Principal A. Malloy and Assistant Principals C. Halstead, N. Cruz and S. Fossella.**



**Pictured (left to right): Park SOTM with parent and Principal Dr. Hackett; Forest SOTM with family and Principal Y. Cooke; Lincoln SOTM with parent and Principal D. White.**

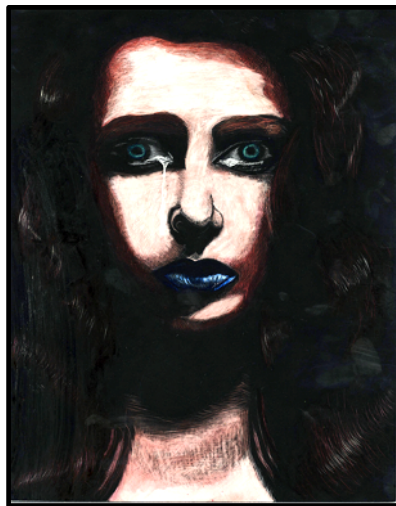
### Parent of the Month:



**Pictured: POTM with Principal Malloy and Assistant Principals C, Halstead and S. Fossella, along with Board President Arthur and Deputy Superintendent Dr. Howard.**

Ms. Taheerah Brown is a new parent to Orange Preparatory Academy who is an active member of the school community. She participates in monthly activities for parents and students. She is also the school's representative for the district's Parent Academy. Ms. Brown assists with the Parent Teacher Student Organization and creates and supports ways to improve Orange Prep. Ms. Brown understands and fully supports her child's (Yashay's) academic journey and embraces the school's values and mission, demonstrating that she is a parent who is *Allergic to Average!*

### **OHS Student is Category Winner in 10th Congressional Art Competition**



Orange High School, 11th grader, Papouch Demosthenes (***pictured right***) took first place in the mixed media category at the 2015 Congressional Art Competition for New Jersey's 10th Congressional District. The event took place at the Newark Museum on May 4.



In addition to students from Orange, the annual contest was open to high school-aged students from Bloomfield, East Orange, Glen Ridge, Irvington, Maplewood, Montclair, Newark, South Orange, West Orange, Bayonne, Jersey City, Hillside, Linden, Rahway, Roselle, Roselle Park and Union Township.

Mr. Nate Brown, Papouch's art teacher at Orange High School, submitted his artwork (***pictured above***) for the competition.

## Third Grade Class Views Discovery Education

Submitted by Mr. Robert Pettit, Principal, Oakwood Avenue Community School

At Oakwood Avenue Community School, Mrs. Barbara Fernandez' class, W-1, viewed the live stream event on Discovery Education of President Obama's discussion of literacy and technology on April 30. The event was the latest installment of the *Of the People: Live from the White House* Virtual Field Trip series. It was broadcast from Anacostia Neighborhood Library in Washington, D.C.



**Pictured: Oakwood Avenue Community School during viewing of *Discovery Education*.**

Entitled *Read to Discover a World of Infinite Possibilities*, the event was hosted by a middle school student from the Washington D.C. area. He had questions written by students from his school. President Obama discussed the importance of reading, focusing on improving literacy, expanding digital learning, and the ConnectED initiative's efforts to make books and libraries more accessible to children nationwide.

Discussion involved accessing books on line and creating apps for students.

Mrs. Fernandez's class submitted a question: "Will students have to pay for the on-line access or the apps?" Unfortunately, he had too many questions and didn't get to answer her students' question.

The students learned a little about President Obama's education and his love of books.

## FYI

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**ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PARCC END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

<b>April / May 2015</b>						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
26	27 Cleveland Forest Gr 3-4 M1 Heywood Gr 3-4 M1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M1 Park Gr 3-4 M1 RPCS Gr 3 M1	28 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M1 Forest Gr 3-4 M2 Heywood Gr 3-4 M 2 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M2 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M 2 Park Gr 3-4 M 2 RPCS Gr 3 M2	29 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M2 Forest Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Heywood Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 ELA1 Park Gr 3-4 ELA 1 RPCS Gr 3 ELA 1	30 Cleveland Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Forest Gr 5-6 M1 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M 1	1 Cleveland Make ups Forest Gr 5-6 M2 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M2	2
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# Community Health Fair

## Saturday, May 9, 2015



10:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

### Lincoln Ave. Gym & Parking Lot

216 Lincoln Ave.

**GAMES • CARNIVAL BOOTHS • DJ  
AMUSEMENT RIDES • MOTHER'S DAY ITEMS FOR  
SALE**



**FREE SCREENINGS FOR:**  
BLOOD PRESSURE - GLAUCOMA  
EYE EXAM- GLUCOSE TESTING - CHLAMYDIA- GONNORHEA  
TRIGGER POINT MASSAGE/RAPID RELEASE PAIN  
MANAGEMENT AND SPINAL ADJUSTMENT  
RAPID HIV SCREENING RESULTS



**INFORMATION & REFERRALS ON:**  
BREAST, CERVICAL, PROSTATE & COLON/RECTAL HEALTH \*  
STD \* DRUG ABUSE \* BIRTH CONTROL \* FAMILY PLANNING \*  
FOSTER CARE \* CHILD ABUSE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (973) 677-4000 EXT. 5042

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The Orange **PRIDE** Youth Job Readiness Program Presents ...



# Teen Job & Career Fair

- Resume Writing Tips
- The “Do’s” and “Don’ts” of Interviewing
  - Career Information
- Employment Opportunities



**Come meet with employers who are ready to hire you!**



**Wednesday, May 13 2015**

**3:30 pm– 6:30pm**

**Orange High School  
Student Cafeteria**

**\*\* Contact Linda Siddiq\*\*  
(973) 677-4050 \*5077**



*Cleveland Street School's P.T.O.  
is collecting used children's and adult bicycles*



We are donating the bicycles to The Bike Exchange in Newark. They rehabilitate the bicycles and sell them at a low cost to benefit the Boys and Girls Club Of Newark.

Please bring your unwanted bicycles to Cleveland Street School on **Wednesday, May 13 or Thursday, May 14 from 1PM to 4PM.**

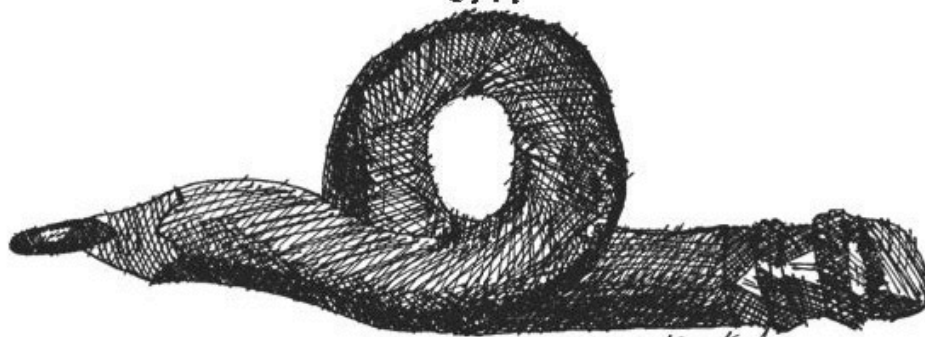
Please go down the driveway to the back of the building.  
The door will be open and someone will be there to accept the bicycles.

Any Questions call Lynn Jacobs RN, BSN (973) 677-4102

## **PARK AVENUE SCHOOL GALLERY OF ART**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 2015**

**6PM**



*Lisman P.S.A.*

**BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING**

**451 LINCOLN AVENUE**

**ORANGE, NJ**

*DR. HACKETT PRINCIPAL*

*MS. REID VICE PRINCIPAL*

*BENAY LIPSTEIN ART TEACHER*



## Safe Routes to School Bicycle Rodeo

Saturday, May 16, 2015

1:00-2:30 p.m.

Location: Cleveland Street Elementary School Parking Lot

355 Cleveland St, Orange, NJ 07050

Meadowlink, in partnership with Orange Board of Education, Cleveland Street Elementary School, NJ Brain Alliance and Kessler Foundation, bring you a Bike Skills Program.



A **Bike Rodeo** teaches children basic skills needed to safely ride their bikes.

Children can learn and practice on-bike drills within a fun and challenging obstacle course.

- Parent/guardian permission are available through the school and **required** to participate.
- Bicycles or Scooters welcome
- Helmets must be worn during the activity
- Free helmets will be available in limited quantity courtesy of Meadowlink!

If you can balance while tracing a figure 8 on your bike, you are likely ready for the Bike Rodeo! Riders will learn how to scan for traffic, maneuver through an obstacle course, recognize hazards and signal their intentions to drivers and fellow riders. If you can't ride a bike – come on down – we'll teach you!

For more information contact: Meeta Patel, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, [mpatel@ezride.org](mailto:mpatel@ezride.org), 201-939-4242

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DATE: **SATURDAY – June 13, 2015**      TIME: **9AM – 1PM**

LOCATION: **Lincoln Avenue School \* 216 Lincoln Ave.**

### Our Goal as Teachers:

The Orange School Community believes that every child can learn. We provide a positive learning environment that acknowledges and celebrates the multicultural differences within our community. We encourage mutual respect among our teachers, students, and community. As a result, our students will become leaders in the community!

### What Parents will gain by attending the Bilingual/ESL Family Fair:

- Gain an understanding of the *benefits of the Bilingual/ESL Education.*
- Learn ways to help your child pass the *PARCC and ACCESS.*
- Help your child understand that *parents and teachers are working as a team* to help them succeed.

### Orange Board of Education will provide:

- Breakfast **9AM – 10AM**
- Presentations in *French and Spanish*
- Child care for children from the *ages 5 – 10 years old*
- Raffle tickets will be provided to parents for a chance to *win a prize!*

### Outreach and Planning Committee:

Pre-School: Julia Jasper & Florita Blake  
Elementary School: Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves  
Orange High School: Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross  
Supervisor of Bilingual/ESL Department: Caroline Onyesonwu

-- Deadline 5-7-15----- TEAR OFF & RETURN TO HOMEROOM TEACHER-- --Deadline 5-7-15-- --

**The Orange Annual Bilingual/ESL Family Fair**

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle primary language: French – Spanish

The number of guests attending including student: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you desire day care for your child (ren) that day?

\_\_\_\_ Yes: The number of children? \_\_\_\_\_ The age of the child (ren) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ No: I do not need daycare for my child.

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



FECHA: SÁBADO , 13 de junio de 2015 HORA: 9AM - 1PM

UBICACIÓN: *Escuela de Lincoln \* 216 Lincoln Ave.*

### Nuestro objetivo como educadores:

La Comunidad Escolar de Orange cree que cada niño puede aprender. Ofrecemos un ambiente de aprendizaje positivo que reconoce y celebra la las diferencias multiculturales dentro de nuestra comunidad. Queremos fomentar el respeto mutuo entre nuestros maestros, estudiantes y la comunidad. Para que como resultado, nuestros estudiantes se conviertan en líderes de la comunidad.

### Lo que los padres se beneficiarán con asistir a la Feria bilingüe/ESL Feria:

- Ganar comprensión de los beneficios de la *educación bilingüe/ESL*.
- Aprender formas de ayudar a que su niño pase el *PARCC* y *acceda a* .
- Ayude a su hijo a comprender que los padres y *los maestros están trabajando como un equipo* para ayudarlos a tener éxito.

### La Junta de Educación de Orange proporcionará:

- Desayuno: 9 AM - 10 AM.
- Presentaciones en *Criollo Francés y Español*.
- Habrá cuidado de niños de edades comprendidas entre 5 - 10 años.
- Sorteo. Entradas serán proporcionados a los padres para poder ganar un *premio!*

### Comité de Planificación:

Pre-School : Julia Jasper & Florita Blake

Escuela Primaria: Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves

Orange High School: Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross

Supervisor de departamento bilingüe/ESL: Caroline Onyesonwu

-- Plazo 5-7-15----- CORTAR Y VOLVER AL PROFESOR DE AULA-- --Plazo 5-7-15-- --

**Feria anual bilingüe/ESL**

Nombre del estudiante: \_\_\_\_\_

Círcule idioma principal: Francés - Español

El número de invitados que participaran incluyendo estudiante: \_\_\_\_\_

¿Desea cuidado para su niño ese día?

\_\_\_\_\_ Sí: El número de niños? \_\_\_\_\_ Edad del niño ...

\_\_\_\_\_ No: yo no necesito cuidado para mi hijo.

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DAT: **SAMDI – 13 Jwen 2015** LÈ: **9AM – 1PM**

LYE: **Lincoln Avenue School \* 216 Lincoln Ave.**

## Bi nou kòm pwofesè:

Kominote Lekòl Oranj kwè ke chak timoun kapab aprann. Nou ofri yon anviwònman aprantisaj pozitif ki rekonèt epi selebre diferans anpil kilti andedan kominote nou an. Nou ankouraje respè respwòk nan mitan pwofesè nou yo, elèv, ak kominote nou an. Kòm rezilta, elèv nou yo pral devni lidè nan kominote a!

## Sa Paran yo pral jwenn lè yo vini nan Fwa Bileng/ESL Fanmi an:

- Y'ap konprann *benefis Edikasyon Bileng/ESL lan.*
- Y'ap konprann fason pou yo ede pitit yo pase *PARCC ak ACCESS.*
- Y'ap ede pitit yo konprann ke *paran ak pwofesè ap travay kòm yon ekip pou yo ka ede yo reyisi.*

Depatman Edikasyon Oranj lan ap bay:

- Manje Maten *9AM – 10AM*
- Prezantasyon an *Franse/Kreyòl ak Panyòl*
- Swen Timoun pou timoun nan *laj 5 – 10 zan*
- Tikè Raf a paran yo pou yon chans pou *genyen yon pri!*

## Komite Responsab ak Planifikasyon:

Preskolè: **Julia Jasper & Florita Blake**  
Lekòl Elemantè: **Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves**  
Lise/Orange High School: **Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross**  
Sipèvizè Depatman Bileng/ESL: **Caroline Onyesonwu**

-- Dènye delè 7 Me 2015-----KOUPE PATI SA A RPI REMÈT LI A PWOFESÈ KLAS WA-- ----Dènye Delè  
7 Me 2015- --

## Fwa Anyèl Fanmi Oranj pou Bileng/ESL

Non Elèv: \_\_\_\_\_ Ansekle premye lang w: Franse/Kreyòl – Panyòl

Nonb moun k'ap patisipe enkli non elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_

Eske w bezwen gadri pou pitit ou a nan jou sa a?

\_\_\_\_ Wi: Konbyen timoun? \_\_\_\_\_ Laj li (yo) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Non: Mwen pa bezwen gadri pou pitit mwen an.





# OBOE-Mail Blast



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## See FYI For District Events

### Community Health Fair



**Pictured: Chelsea Gillon at bat.**

The annual Orange Township Public School District's Community Health Fair saw a crowd of close to 800 people on May 9 at Lincoln Avenue School. Visitors received health screenings, back massages, eye exams and a wealth of information about health and safety. There were also organizations present, such as the Girl Scouts, a book publisher and vendors selling a assortment of gift items. Children were able to enjoy games and healthy exercises, such as jump rope and hula-hoop.



**Pictured: Scenes for the Community Health Fair (photos by Mr. Rodney West, IT Manager).**

Ms. Sandra Gray, Supervisor Health and Physical Education organized the event with involvement from many city departments and health facilities. Board members, district administrators, staff and their families were present to lend their support, along with city officials.



**Pictured (left to right): Board President Patricia Arthur and Ms. Sandra. Gray; ELA Director, Ms. Kathryn Carter; Scene form the Community Health Fair (photos by Mr. Rodney West, IT Manager).**

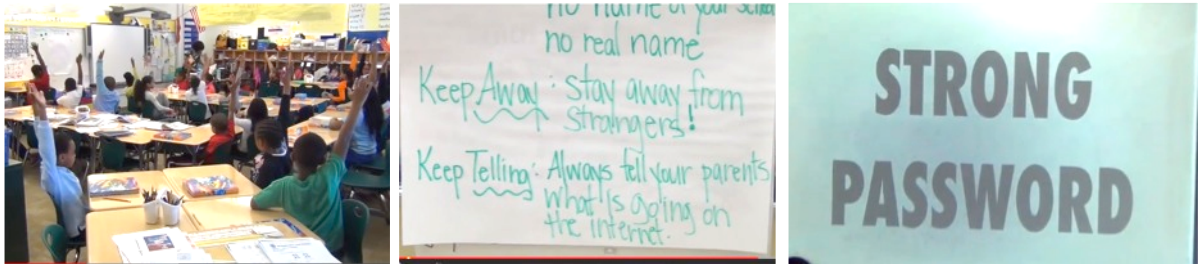
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 Orange, NJ 07050  
[Send Us An Email](#)

## **Digital Day of Learning at Park Avenue School**

*Submitted by Dr. Denise Harlem, Technology Coordinator, Park Avenue School*

Park Avenue School staff and students participated in *Digital Learning Day*, which is a powerful venue for education leaders to highlight great teaching practice. It showcased innovative teachers, leaders, and instructional technology programs that are improving student outcomes. Student lessons focused on digital footprints, creating safe passwords, and safe surfing. Students used various digital tools in academic and specialty classes, showing that technology has changed the way we teach and learn.

To view a video showcasing the activities that took place on April 1 and 2 at Park Avenue School visit: <https://www.youtube.com/embed/gRsFqm1nUAQ>.



**Pictured: Screen shots from the *Digital Day of Learning* video.**

## **Thursday, May 21 is Jeans for Troops Day**



On Thursday, May 21, 2015, the Orange Public School District will participate in *Jeans for Troops Day*, presented by the *G.I. Go Fund*, in honor of Memorial Day. This is a national dress down day to raise funds to

benefit veterans from all generations who are in need of assistance.

Staff members who choose to participate will be allowed to wear jeans to work for a \$5 donation to help the GI Go Fund and students who choose to participate will contribute \$1. See flyer below.

## **The M.A.N.Y. Students Perform at Montclair State University**

*Submitted by Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts*



The closing performance for the Music Advancement for Newark-Area Youth (M.A.N.Y.) participants occurred at Montclair State University on May 9th, inside Memorial Auditorium. The roughly 30 students from Orange schools performed on stage to an attentive audience, including the school chaperones, Mrs. Erin-Leigh Van Orden (Heywood), Ms. Marianne Mroz (Park), and Mr. Glenn Gamble (OPA).

Also present to lend support was Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, who helped to coordinate the M.A.N.Y. program for the district, in partnership with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) and the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. The program, offered Orange students music lessons on wind and string instruments from January 2015 through the culminating performance.



**Pictured: Orange staff members pose with students on stage at the Memorial Auditorium (top). Students perform on stage with the M.A.N.Y. orchestra (bottom).**

## May Monthly Board of Education Art Exhibit

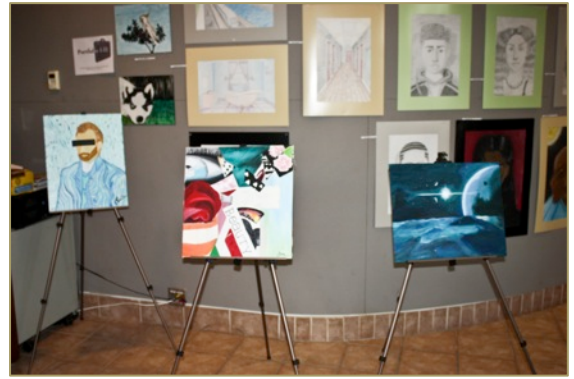
The Monthly Orange Board of Education Art Opening at the Administrative Offices took place on May 6. Students at Orange High School (OHS) and the Career and Innovation Academy of Orange (CIAO) completed the featured work. The exhibit includes *Controversial Masks*, inspired by current social issues, as explained by art teacher, Ms. Barahone (substituting for Mrs. Shana Falda), and fiber arts and ceramics created by students of Ms. Megan Guerriero. Students of Mr. Nate Brown exhibited various drawings in a variety of mediums and Mr. Cosmillo's students' paintings were expertly displayed on easels.



**Pictured (above and left): Artwork on display.**



**Pictured: Administrators and art teachers pose with students at the OHS/CIAO art opening.**



**Pictured (above): OHS/CIAO artwork on display.**

Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts, opened the event with an introduction, followed by Mr. Ronald C. Lee, Superintendent of Schools, and OHS Co-Principal, Mr. Jason Belton and CIAO Principal, Dr. Erica Stewart. Each offered praise and congratulations for the hard work and demonstrated talent. Art teachers then spoke about their classes and introduced their students for recognition. The students were then presented with certificates, before an audience of friends, family and staff.



**Pictured (left to right): Dr. Stewart, Mr. Belton, Ms. Barahone and Mr. Cosmillo greeting a student; Ms. Guerriero, Mr. Brown, Mr. Crosta and Mr. Lee, greeting a student; Students Q. Hammond and D. Shephard with their certificate.**

## FYI

### Final Week of End of Year PARCC Assessment



The second set of tests for the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC), called End of Year (EOY) Assessment, are being administered now through May 22 to students in grades 3-11. The first phase of assessment, the Performance Based Assessment (PBA), was completed during the period of March 2 - April 2.

## **Oakwood Avenue Community School Health Clinic Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Block Party**



On Saturday, May 16, from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., *Oakwood Avenue Community School Health Clinic* will celebrate the opening of its school-based facility with a ribbon cutting ceremony and block party.

The goal of the clinic is to enhance healthcare practices and educational outcomes for Oakwood Avenue Community School families. The clinic will feature a pediatric physician, who will administer both well care and sick visits, along with a multidisciplinary team of dental practitioners, mental health providers, eye-care and nutritional experts. The clinic will also

provide workshops and lectures on disease prevention and awareness.

Oakwood Avenue Community School families will be able to sign up for the health clinic and learn more about their services. For more information on Oakwood Avenue Community School visit <http://www.orange.k12.nj.us/Page/8850>.

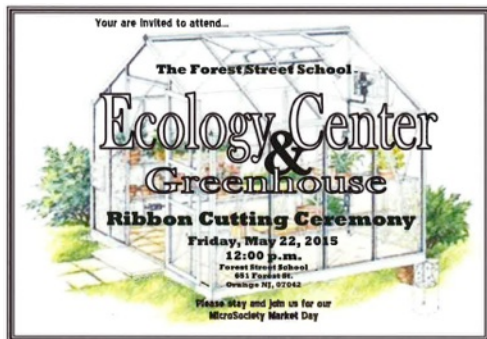
## **Cleveland Street School Hosts Safe Routes to School Bicycle Rodeo**

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## **Sonic Explorations to Perform on May 21 at Oakwood Avenue Community School**

On **Thursday, May 21, at 4:00 p.m.**, the final Sonic Explorations concert for the year will take place at Oakwood Avenue Community School (OACS). The Sonic Explorations, an ensemble of young musicians, inspired by Venezuela's El Sistema music education program, will perform in a brief event. The program will feature a song from OACS select choir, a combined vocal, violin, and percussion piece, and a song-medley from the kindergarten students.

## **Forest Street School Ecology Center and Greenhouse Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and MicroSociety Market Day**



On Friday, May 22, at 12:00 p.m., Forest Street School will host a ribbon cutting for its *Ecology Center and Greenhouse*, a state-of-the-art outdoor science classroom, which consists of various plants, rock gardens, a compost bin, a greenhouse and much more. The Ecology Center and Greenhouse will be utilized by all students (Pre-K-7th grade) for the purpose of studying nature, including energy, weather, living organisms, water and waste flow.

Following the ribbon cutting, guests are invited to stay for the school's *MicroSociety Market Day*, where students will showcase their business ventures and organizations.

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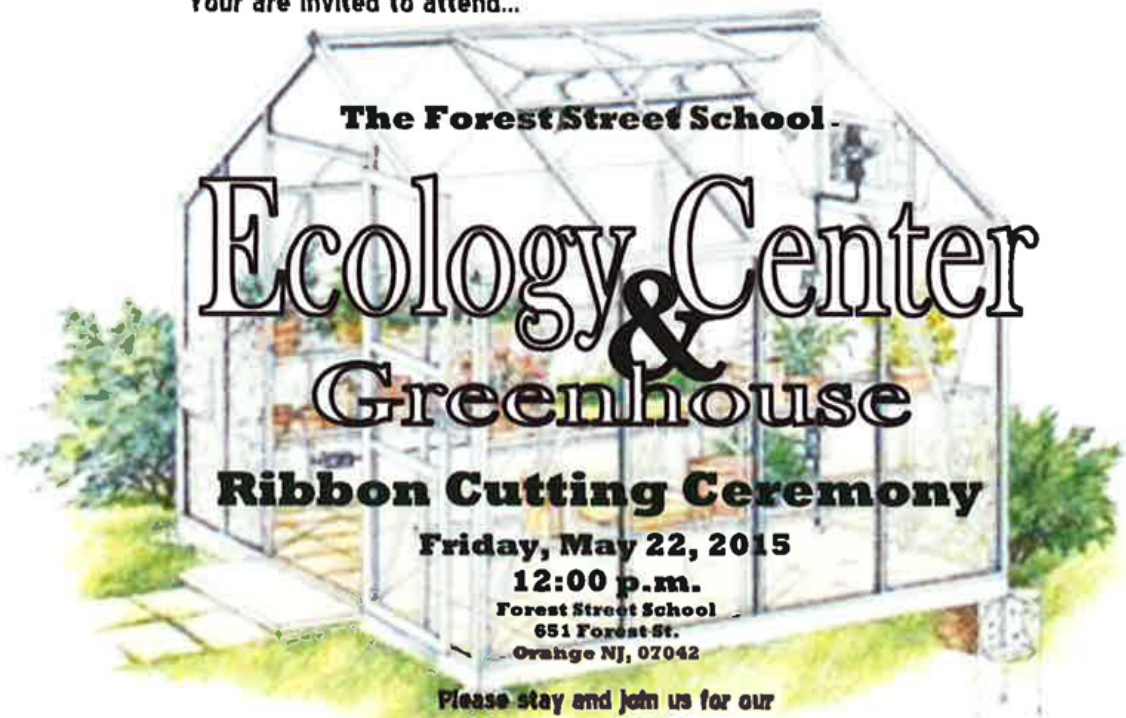
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**ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – PARCC END OF YEAR ASSESSMENT CALENDAR**

April / May 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
26	27 Cleveland Forest Gr 3-4 M1 Heywood Gr 3-4 M1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M1 Park Gr 3-4 M1 RPCS Gr 3 M1	28 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M1 Forest Gr 3-4 M2 Heywood Gr 3-4 M 2 Lincoln Gr 3-4 M2 Oakwood Gr 3-4 M 2 Park Gr 3-4 M 2 RPCS Gr 3 M2	29 Cleveland Gr 3-4 M2 Forest Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Heywood Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Lincoln Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Oakwood Gr 3-4 ELA1 Park Gr 3-4 ELA 1 RPCS Gr 3 ELA 1	30 Cleveland Gr 3-4 ELA 1 Forest Gr 5-6 M1 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M 1	1 Cleveland Make ups Forest Gr 5-6 M2 Heywood Make ups Lincoln Make ups Oakwood Make ups Park Make ups RPCS Gr 6-7 M2	2
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Your are invited to attend...



**The Forest Street School -**

# Ecology Center & Greenhouse

**Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

**Friday, May 22, 2015**  
**12:00 p.m.**  
Forest Street School  
651 Forest St.  
Orange NJ, 07042

Please stay and join us for our  
**MicroSociety Market Day**





## Safe Routes to School Bicycle Rodeo

Saturday, May 16, 2015

1:00-2:30 p.m.

Location: Cleveland Street Elementary School Parking Lot

355 Cleveland St, Orange, NJ 07050

Meadowlink, in partnership with Orange Board of Education, Cleveland Street Elementary School, NJ Brain Alliance and Kessler Foundation, bring you a Bike Skills Program.



A **Bike Rodeo** teaches children basic skills needed to safely ride their bikes.

Children can learn and practice on-bike drills within a fun and challenging obstacle course.

- Parent/guardian permission are available through the school and **required** to participate.
- Bicycles or Scooters welcome
- Helmets must be worn during the activity
- Free helmets will be available in limited quantity courtesy of Meadowlink!

If you can balance while tracing a figure 8 on your bike, you are likely ready for the Bike Rodeo! Riders will learn how to scan for traffic, maneuver through an obstacle course, recognize hazards and signal their intentions to drivers and fellow riders. If you can't ride a bike – come on down – we'll teach you!

For more information contact: Meeta Patel, Safe Routes to School Coordinator, [mpatel@ezride.org](mailto:mpatel@ezride.org), 201-939-4242

# JEANS FOR TROOPS DAY

MAY 21, 2015 IN HONOR OF MEMORIAL DAY

**\$5 Staff Members**  
to help our troops

**\$1 Students**



**Find Jobs**



**Go to College**



**Get Health Care**



**Find Housing**

IN HONOR OF  
**MEMORIAL DAY 2015**

On Thursday, May 21, 2015, the Orange Public School District will participate in the nationwide effort, *Jeans for Troops Day*, by wearing Jeans to school/work, in exchange for a \$5 donation from participating staff members and a \$1 donation from participating students. All proceeds will benefit the GI Go Fund.

To register, or for more information, contact us today at (866)389-4446 or by email at [jeansfortroops@gigofund.org](mailto:jeansfortroops@gigofund.org)

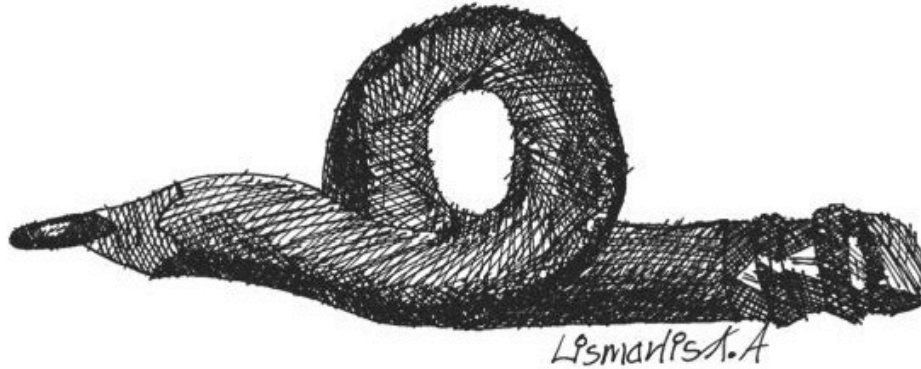
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*The GI  Go Fund*  
*Where Veterans Go Forward*

**PARK AVENUE SCHOOL GALLERY OF ART**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 2015**

**6PM**



**BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING  
451 LINCOLN AVENUE  
ORANGE, NJ**

DR. HACKETT PRINCIPAL  
MS. REID VICE PRINCIPAL  
BENAY LIPSTEIN ART TEACHER

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DATE: **SATURDAY – June 13, 2015**      TIME: **9AM – 1PM**

LOCATION: **Lincoln Avenue School \* 216 Lincoln Ave.**

### Our Goal as Teachers:

The Orange School Community believes that every child can learn. We provide a positive learning environment that acknowledges and celebrates the multicultural differences within our community. We encourage mutual respect among our teachers, students, and community. As a result, our students will become leaders in the community!

### What Parents will gain by attending the Bilingual/ESL Family Fair:

- Gain an understanding of the *benefits of the Bilingual/ESL Education.*
- Learn ways to help your child pass the *PARCC and ACCESS.*
- Help your child understand that *parents and teachers are working as a team* to help them succeed.

### Orange Board of Education will provide:

- Breakfast **9AM – 10AM**
- Presentations in *French and Spanish*
- Child care for children from the *ages 5 – 10 years old*
- Raffle tickets will be provided to parents for a chance to *win a prize!*

### Outreach and Planning Committee:

Pre-School: Julia Jasper & Florita Blake  
Elementary School: Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves  
Orange High School: Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross  
Supervisor of Bilingual/ESL Department: Caroline Onyesonwu

-- Deadline 5-7-15----- TEAR OFF & RETURN TO HOMEROOM TEACHER-- --Deadline 5-7-15-- --

**The Orange Annual Bilingual/ESL Family Fair**

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle primary language: French – Spanish

The number of guests attending including student: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you desire day care for your child (ren) that day?

\_\_\_\_ Yes: The number of children? \_\_\_\_\_ The age of the child (ren) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ No: I do not need daycare for my child.

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



FECHA: SÁBADO , 13 de junio de 2015 HORA: 9AM - 1PM

UBICACIÓN: *Escuela de Lincoln \* 216 Lincoln Ave.*

### Nuestro objetivo como educadores:

La Comunidad Escolar de Orange cree que cada niño puede aprender. Ofrecemos un ambiente de aprendizaje positivo que reconoce y celebra la las diferencias multiculturales dentro de nuestra comunidad. Queremos fomentar el respeto mutuo entre nuestros maestros, estudiantes y la comunidad. Para que como resultado, nuestros estudiantes se conviertan en líderes de la comunidad.

### Lo que los padres se beneficiarán con asistir a la Feria bilingüe/ESL Feria:

- Ganar comprensión de los beneficios de la *educación bilingüe/ESL*.
- Aprender formas de ayudar a que su niño pase el *PARCC* y *acceda a* .
- Ayude a su hijo a comprender que los padres y *los maestros están trabajando como un equipo* para ayudarlos a tener éxito.

### La Junta de Educación de Orange proporcionará:

- Desayuno: 9 AM - 10 AM.
- Presentaciones en *Criollo Francés y Español*.
- Habrá cuidado de niños de edades comprendidas entre 5 - 10 años.
- Sorteo. Entradas serán proporcionados a los padres para poder ganar un *premio!*

### Comité de Planificación:

Pre-School : Julia Jasper & Florita Blake

Escuela Primaria: Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves

Orange High School: Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross

Supervisor de departamento bilingüe/ESL: Caroline Onyesonwu

-- Plazo 5-7-15----- CORTAR Y VOLVER AL PROFESOR DE AULA-- --Plazo 5-7-15-- --

**Feria anual bilingüe/ESL**

Nombre del estudiante: \_\_\_\_\_

Círcule idioma principal: Francés - Español

El número de invitados que participaran incluyendo estudiante: \_\_\_\_\_

¿Desea cuidado para su niño ese día?

\_\_\_\_\_ Sí: El número de niños? \_\_\_\_\_ Edad del niño ...

\_\_\_\_\_ No: yo no necesito cuidado para mi hijo.

# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DAT: **SAMDI – 13 Jwen 2015** LÈ: **9AM – 1PM**

LYE: **Lincoln Avenue School \* 216 Lincoln Ave.**

## Bi nou kòm pwofesè:

Kominote Lekòl Oranj kwè ke chak timoun kapab aprann. Nou ofri yon anviwònman aprantisaj pozitif ki rekonèt epi selebre diferans anpil kilti andedan kominote nou an. Nou ankouraje respè respwòk nan mitan pwofesè nou yo, elèv, ak kominote nou an. Kòm rezilta, elèv nou yo pral devni lidè nan kominote a!

## Sa Paran yo pral jwenn lè yo vini nan Fwa Bileng/ESL Fanmi an:

- Y'ap konprann *benefis Edikasyon Bileng/ESL lan.*
- Y'ap konprann fason pou yo ede pitit yo pase *PARCC ak ACCESS.*
- Y'ap ede pitit yo konprann ke *paran ak pwofesè ap travay kòm yon ekip pou yo ka ede yo reyisi.*

Depatman Edikasyon Oranj lan ap bay:

- Manje Maten *9AM – 10AM*
- Prezantasyon an *Franse/Kreyòl ak Panyòl*
- Swen Timoun pou timoun nan *laj 5 – 10 zan*
- Tikè Raf a paran yo pou yon chans pou *genyen yon pri!*

## Komite Responsab ak Planifikasyon:

Preskolè: **Julia Jasper & Florita Blake**  
Lekòl Elemantè: **Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves**  
Lise/Orange High School: **Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross**  
Sipèvizè Depatman Bileng/ESL: **Caroline Onyesonwu**

-- Dènye delè 7 Me 2015-----KOUPE PATI SA A RPI REMÈT LI A PWOFESÈ KLAS WA-- ----Dènye Delè  
7 Me 2015- --

## Fwa Anyèl Fanmi Oranj pou Bileng/ESL

Non Elèv: \_\_\_\_\_ Ansekle premye lang w: Franse/Kreyòl – Panyòl

Nonb moun k'ap patisipe enkli non elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_

Eske w bezwen gadri pou pitit ou a nan jou sa a?

\_\_\_\_ Wi: Konbyen timoun? \_\_\_\_\_ Laj li (yo) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Non: Mwen pa bezwen gadri pou pitit mwen an.



# OBOE-Mail Blast

May 22, 2015

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**FYI**

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Contact Information:  
Orange Board of  
Education  
451 Lincoln Avenue  
Orange, NJ 07050  
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## Oakwood Avenue Community School Heath Clinic Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Block Party

On May 16, the *Oakwood Avenue Community School Health Clinic* celebrated the opening of its school-based facility with a ribbon cutting ceremony and block party. The clinic is located in Oakwood Avenue Community School, one of two community schools in the Orange Public School District. At the ceremony, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee, addressed the crowd, stating, "A school is not just a building in the community, but a part of the community. The community should be able to reach out to us for resources and we should be able to provide support, and that's why I am thrilled that we are opening a Health Clinic."



**Pictured: The Oakwood Avenue Community School Ribbon Cutting, with dignitaries and students.**



Over 200 Oakwood Avenue Community School (OACS) families attended the event to sign up for the health clinic and learn more about its services. The day included a block party, with music, food and entertainment for the children, along with information on nutrition and blood pressure and blood glucose screenings.

Along with Superintendent Lee, there were remarks from OACS Principal, Mr. Robert Pettit, Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq., Ms. Denise Hajjar, Coordinator of the OACS Health Clinic and Mr. Bryan Murdock, Director of Service-Learning and Community Engagement for Montclair State University (MSU). MSU has partnered with the Orange Public Schools to support the district's community school initiative and health clinic.

The goal of the clinic is to enhance healthcare practices, influencing educational outcomes for Oakwood Avenue Community School families. The clinic will provide pediatric services, along with dental, optical, nutrition and behavioral health counseling. The clinic will also provide workshops and lectures on disease prevention and awareness.

During the event, families were introduced to Ms. Cilamane Joseph, Health Clinic Treatment Coordinator, Ms. Rachel Bland, Community School Coordinator and Ms. Stephanie Desanges, Family Liaison at OACS. *MicroSociety* student leaders were present, along with Oakwood's cheerleaders, to help cut the ribbon.



**Pictured: Scenes from Oakwood Avenue Community School Health Clinic event.**



**Pictured (left to right): Cilamane Joseph, Treatment Coordinator, Rachel Bland, Community School Coordinator and Denise Hajjar, Health Clinic Coordinator; Stephanie Desanges, Family Liaison and Principal Robert Pettit; Mr. Bryan Murdock, Director of Service-Learning and Community Engagement, Montclair State University.**



## Craft and Hobby Grant for Heywood Avenue School

Submitted Mrs. Emily Quaye, School Nurse, Heywood Avenue School

Mrs. Emily Quaye, school nurse at Heywood Avenue School, has been awarded a *Craft and Hobby Association (CHA) Foundation Arts and Crafts Grant* by the *Kids In Need Teacher Grants* program.

As a requirement of the grant, Mrs. Quay will be expected to conduct a project with Heywood students during the 2015-2016 school year. She will teach counted cross-stitch to students next year, in the style represented in the picture shown right. "I am looking forward to teaching that craft next year," said Mrs. Quay.



## Scholars Academy Family STEM Night

Submitted by Mrs. Regina Nadbielny, STEM teacher, Scholars Academy

The Scholars Academy held its first Family STEM night on May 7. Students brought their parents and siblings to the school's STEM lab where they showcased their classwork. Students also had an opportunity to sample a variety of STEM projects, some of which they have not had an opportunity to experience. Students enjoyed building various robots with *LEGO Education WeDo Construction* sets and flying planes with the *Microsoft Flight Simulator*. Several students built real working circuits with *Snap Circuits*. They also enjoyed playing *Pacman* online, using the *MaKey MaKey* circuit board and *Play Doh* as a conductor to control the arrow keys.

Students and siblings were able to use their imagination to create objects with clay and pipe cleaners. Some enjoyed building with *K'nex* or *Zoob* pieces.

There was also a *Big Ball Factory* up and running, which was built by 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in the lab, using over 1500 *K'nex* pieces. Everyone enjoyed the evening!



**Pictured: 2<sup>nd</sup> graders Noah and Kalea fly with flight simulator.**



**Pictured (top to bottom): Sandra (1<sup>st</sup> grade) builds Lego robots with dad; Aileen (3<sup>rd</sup> grade) shows mom Snap Circuits.**

## Orange Schools Hit the High Note

Submitted by Mr. Peter Crosta, Supervisor of Visual and Performing Arts

On May 15, several Orange schools attended the start of many competitions, the High Note Festival, in Allentown, PA. "Orange has been bringing home trophies left and right," commented Supervisor of the Arts, Mr. Peter Crosta. "Every time someone sends me a text or picture on my iPhone with their trophy I jump up and down like a kid in a candy store!"

The first group to bring home accolades was a select band of students in grades 5-7 from Park Avenue School, Rosa Parks Community School (RPCS) and Lincoln Avenue School. They performed *Honors March* and *Little Shop of Horrors*. The ensemble, which performed together for the first time, received an "Excellent" rating. They were directed by Ms. Marianne Mroz (Park Avenue School) and Mr. Sem Etienne (Lincoln and Rosa Parks Community Schools).

The Park Avenue Chorus also performed at the same venue later in the day. Their *Blue Skies* performance received a "Good" rating, under the direction of choral conductor, Mr. Scott Clark.



**Pictured: Park Avenue, RPCS and Lincoln perform at the High Note Festival.**

A few days later, the Lincoln Avenue Chorus Club participated with a 4th-6th grade ensemble, and was graded "Excellent" for their performance. They were led by Lincoln's choral director, Mrs. Wendy Mir.



**Pictured: Lincoln Avenue students at the High Note Festival.**

In a virtual sweep on a third day, Orange Preparatory Academy's (OPA) band and chorus each received a "Superior" rating, the very highest possible rating awarded to ensembles in the High Note Festival, for their outstanding performance. OPA's choral conductor, Mr. Peter Abazia, directed the choir and the band was "under the baton" of Mrs. Dorcas Robinson, OPA's award-winning band director.



**Pictured: OPA students at the High Note Festival.**



Following that “roaring day of accolades” for OPA’s students, Orange’s Rosa Parks Community School Choir, led by choral director, Mrs. Mariel Johnson, also received the highest rating possible: Superior! This was Mrs. Johnson’s first time participating in the event. She commented, "After receiving an excellent rating in band a few days ago via Mr. Etienne’s leadership, and a superior rating in chorus today, I’ve never seen our students as happy as they were when we arrived back at the building. Everyone is just elated!”



**Pictured: RPCS students at the High Note Festival.**



And finally, Mr. Peter Abazia (OPA Choral Director) who is temporarily heading the Heywood Avenue School Voices Choir received a ‘Superior’ rating (the highest honor) at the High Note Festival today, May 22. Mrs. Erin-Leigh Van Orden and her Heywood Chamber Orchestra (*pictured left*) received an ‘Excellent’ rating at the same venue.

In a very powerful summary statement, Mr. Crosta acknowledged our talented students and, of course, his music educators. "It continues to make me so very proud how well our students do under the guidance and leadership of quality music educators. The arts department overall, I fervently believe, continues to bring home more accolades than any other organized department or team in Orange across our State and makes Orange a place where arts are important.”

Additional schools will be making their way to the High Note Festival to be adjudicated and, with high anticipation, bringing home more trophies. It should be noted that after schools perform at the High Note Festival, students celebrate their accomplishments at Dorney Park, as a reward for their hard work.

## The Orange PRIDE Youth Job Readiness Program Teen Job & Career Fair

On May 13, the Orange Pride Youth Job Readiness Program held a job and career fair for Orange High School students. Present at the fair were several trade schools, representing various professional programs, the Mayor's Office of Employment Training (MOET) and Mr. Weldon Montague from the Department of Labor.

Students picked up MOET applications from Mr. Campanella Godfrey, representing the City, and discussed job opportunities and programs with those at the fair. According to Ms. Linda Sadiqq, Structured Learning Experience Coordinator, who organized the event, there are potentially 100 positions open for students, through MOET, this summer. She was pleased with the level of student participation and thankful to the trade services present. Students were treated to a light dinner for their attendance.



**Pictured (above): Scenes from the OHS Job and Career Fair.**

**Pictured (left) Students speak with representatives from technical training services.**

## Bicycle Rodeo at Cleveland Street School

*Submitted by Ms. Lynn Jacobs, School Nurse/Coordinator, Cleveland Street School*

Cleveland Street School had over 70 children participate in its first bicycle rodeo. NJ Safe Routes to School, Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, and the Cleveland Street PTO sponsored the event. Safe Routes provided two facilitators for the rodeo who brought and fitted each child with a new helmet, set up an obstacle course and taught the children safe riding techniques.

A representative from The Kessler Institute came in his wheelchair and special van, to talk with the children about the consequences of poor choices. He demonstrated how vulnerable the brain is and how helmets protect the head, using plastic models.



**Pictured (left to right): Scene from Cleveland Street's Bike Rodeo; Fundraising stand for upcoming Multicultural Event.**

The PTO helped with registration and the bicycle collection. There were 20 new and gently used bicycles donated by the Bike Exchange in Newark. The PTO also led a used bicycle collection where 15 bicycles were collected and donated to the Bike Exchange. Many of the children that did not have their own bicycles were given bikes to take home. Several volunteers from the Major Taylor Cycling Club of NJ came out and worked very hard, fitting the bicycles to the children, repairing brakes, tires, and chains.

Principal Cummins, Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Councilwoman Tensy Eason, Superintendent Ronald C. Lee and Business Administrator Mr. Adekunle O. James attended the event.

Cleveland Street School is looking forward to holding the bicycle rodeo annually and hopes it will expand.



**Pictured: Scenes from Cleveland Street's Bike Rodeo.**

## Four Orange Students to Attend the ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp (EMBHSSC)



Dr. Tina Powell, Director of Mathematics and Science, recently announced that four students from the Orange Public Schools are recipients of the **ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp** award. This was a highly competitive application process for this Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) summer camp. The accepted students are: Esther Ekeh, Nia Thomas and Brenda Palencia from Rosa Parks Community School and Sarah Orema, from Heywood Avenue Community School.

The **ExxonMobil Bernard Harris Summer Science Camp (EMBHSSC)** is a two-week, academic, residential camp that emphasizes increasing students' mathematics and science knowledge and skills while introducing them to college life and stimulating their interest in science and engineering as a potential career path. The camp will be held on the campus of New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), Newark, NJ. Students will stay in a dorm on the NJIT campus during the week (July 5 - July 10 and July 12 - July 17, 2015) and go home over the weekend. This year's theme is ***Engineering Your Place in Space***. The camp is organized to provide activities, experiments, projects, and field experiences for students **entering 6th, 7th, or 8th grade in the fall of 2015**. The camp promotes science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education and supports historically underserved and underrepresented students with limited opportunities. Students attend the camp free of charge.

### Link for more information:

<http://www.theharrisfoundation.org/sitecontent/644/new-jersey-institute-of-technology/category/466/embhssc-universities.aspx>

## FYI

### District Family Math Night

On Wednesday, May 27, from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., the Mathematics and Science Department is hosting a Family Math Night at Rosa Parks Community School, located at 369 Main Street. The purpose of Family Math Night is for parents and children to have fun together while applying fun math strategies that can be used at home and in school. There will be food, prizes, information, and games! See flyer below.

### 2015-2016 Preschool Registration - New Schedule Announced for April and May

#### Preschool Registration 2015-2016



The Orange Township Public School District began preschool registration for the 2015-2016 school year on March 2. All children who are residents of Orange and will be 3 or 4 years of age by October 1, 2015, are eligible to attend free, full day, pre-school, in the Pre-K 3 or Pre-K 4 class.

The final May Spring registration session is Tuesday, May 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., with the last sign in at 1:00 p.m., at the Orange Early Childhood Center, 397 Park Avenue in Orange.

Two proofs of residency are required, as well as the child's original birth certificate and immunization record. Also, a parent or legal guardian must show a current lease or mortgage statement and a picture ID. For more information, call 973-677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918.

**Upcoming District Competitions at Lincoln Avenue School**

**He Said, She Said**



- Saturday, May 30, He Said She Said Competition, 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, June 1, District History Bee at 6:00 p.m.

Check the calendar and see flyers below for upcoming events and activities!

May 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 National Dance Week Celebration 1:00 - 4:30PM at Park Ave. School 	4	5  HAPPY TEACHER'S DAY 	6 Happy Nurses Day  OHS Lobby Art Show 6:00PM Administrative Bldg.	7	8	9 HEALTH FAIR COMMUNITY RIBBON CUTTING SATURDAY MAY 9, 2015 11AM-3PM at Lincoln Avenue School 
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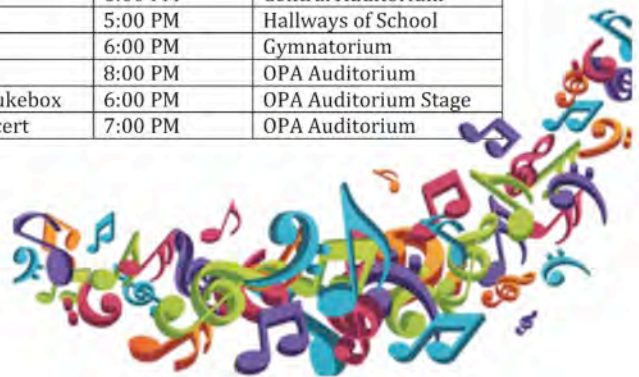


Orange Township Public Schools  
 Visual & Performing Arts Department

**2014-15 SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



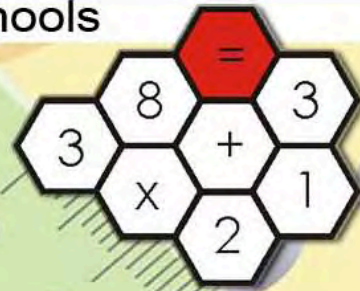
DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
1-Jun	11th Annual OHS School-wide Art Exhibit	6:00 PM	OHS Gymnasium
2-Jun	Lincoln Avenue School-wide Spring Art Exhibit	5:00 PM	Hallways of School
2-Jun	Lincoln Avenue School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Gymnasium
3-Jun	Park Avenue School Lobby Art Show	6:00 PM	Administrative Building
3-Jun	Orange High School Drama Showcase (2 shows)	5:30/7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
4-Jun	Orange High School Spring Music Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
8-Jun	Cleveland Street School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Park Ave Cafetorium
9-Jun	Heywood Avenue School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Auditorium
10-Jun	Orange Preparatory Academy Spring Concert	7:00 PM	Auditorium
12-Jun	Oakwood Avenue Community School-wide Spring Art Exhibit	6:00 PM	Hallways of School
12-Jun	Oakwood Avenue Community School Spring Concert	6:30 PM	Gymnasium (new)
15-Jun	Park Avenue School-wide Spring Art Exhibit	5:00 PM	Hallways of School
15-Jun	Park Avenue School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Gymnasium
16-Jun	Rosa Parks Community School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Central Auditorium
17-Jun	Forest Street School-wide Spring Art Exhibit	5:00 PM	Hallways of School
17-Jun	Forest Street School Spring Concert	6:00 PM	Gymnasium
17-Jun	OPA/OHS Joint Spring Dance Concert	8:00 PM	OPA Auditorium
19-Jun	BEHIND THE CURTAIN: ViH Sings the Crosta Jukebox	6:00 PM	OPA Auditorium Stage
22-Jun	Park & Dance Conservatory Spring Dance Concert	7:00 PM	OPA Auditorium





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and More...



# FAMILY MATH NIGHT

**May 27**

**6pm - 8pm**

at

Rosa Parks

Community School

369 Main St, City of Orange, NJ 07050



**Bringing families together...mathematically!**

ORANGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY PRESENTS:

*Family*



**S T E M** *Night*

Come and join us for Family STEM Night and discover the fun of **Science**, **Technology**, **Engineering**, and **Math** through hands on activities for the whole family.

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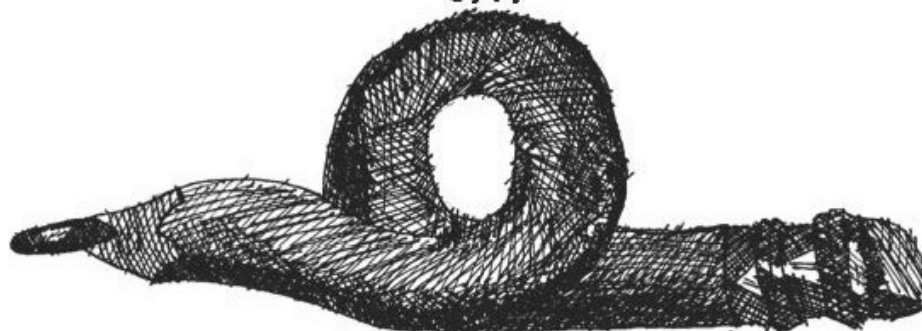
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# PARK AVENUE SCHOOL GALLERY OF ART

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6PM



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## Sa Paran yo pral jwenn lè yo vini nan Fwa Bileng/ESL Fanmi an:

- Y'ap konprann **benefis Edikasyon Bileng/ESL lan.**
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- Y'ap ede pitit yo konprann ke **paran ak pwofesè ap travay kòm yon ekip pou yo ka ede yo reyisi.**

## Depatman Edikasyon Oranj lan ap bay:

- Manje Maten **9AM – 10AM**
- Prezantasyon an **Franse/Kreyòl ak Panyòl**
- Swen Timoun pou timoun nan **laj 5 – 10 zan**
- Tikè Raf a paran yo pou yon chans pou **genyen yon pri!**

## Komite Responsab ak Planifikasyon:

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-- Dènye delè 7 Me 2015 -- KOUPE PATI SA A EPI REMÈT LI A PWOFESÈ KLAS WA -- Dènye Delè 7 Me 2015 --

## Fwa Anyèl Fanmi Oranj pou Bileng/ESL

Non Elèv: \_\_\_\_\_ Ansekle premye lang w: **Franse/Kreyòl – Panyòl**

Nonb moun k'ap patisipe enkli non elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_

Eske w bezwen gadri pou pitit ou a nan jou sa a?

\_\_\_\_ Wi: Konbyen timoun? \_\_\_\_\_ Laj li (yo) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Non: Mwen pa bezwen gadri pou pitit mwen an.



*Voices in Harmony Presents*  
**Behind The Curtain**  
concert series featuring

**“Crosta’s Jukebox”**

*Come celebrate the retirement of the Performing Art’s Supervisor Mr. Peter Crosta as we honor him by performing his favorite songs.*

**FRIDAY JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> ON STAGE AT ORANGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY**

**6:00 PM**

**~ TICKETS \$10 ~**

Come join us for an intimate concert *ON STAGE* behind the curtain where the members of Voices in Harmony will perform music from select artists and genres in a night club setting. Refreshments will be served. Help the award winning *Voices in Harmony* as we fundraise for our next competition.

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**To purchase tickets in advance via mail, make checks payable to: OBE Performing Arts  
c/o Crosta Jukebox, Orange Public Schools, 451 Lincoln Avenue, Orange, NJ 07050-2202**



*Lincoln Avenue School's*  
**End of the Year**  
*& Retirement Party*



Gloria Ortiz  
11 Years of Service



Keith R. Williams  
37 Years of Service



Alicia Vetcher  
11 Years of Service  
(Not in attendance)

**Thursday, June 11, 2014**

**5:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Hanover Manor**

16 Eagle Rock Avenue, East Hanover, New Jersey

**Cost \$60**

includes buffet, four hour open bar, and gift

**Monies due by Monday, June 1, 2015 to**

**Lisa Farrar, School Nurse at Lincoln Avenue School**

Cash & checks accepted (payable to Lincoln Avenue School Sunshine Committee)

For additional information, contact Lisa Farrar, ext. 3004





**Peter Crosta is retiring after 36 years of service to Orange Public Schools  
(38 total music education)**

**Come celebrate as he exits this stage.**

**Hat City Kitchen  
495 Valley Street  
Orange, NJ 07050**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2015  
4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

**\$55.00 per person  
Food, entertainment, gift, cash bar**

**Payment due by June 17, 2015  
K. Eddy or T. Russo, OBE, 451 Lincoln Ave., Orange, NJ 07050  
For more information call 973-877-4000 x6085**

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# OBOE-Mail Blast

May 29, 2015

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## FYI

• See Flyers for  
Events and  
Activities!

Contact Information:  
Orange Board of  
Education  
451 Lincoln Avenue  
Orange, NJ 07050  
[Send Us An Email](#)

## Spring Concerts for the Month of June

### Forest Street School Ecology Center and Greenhouse Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Submitted by Ms. Erika Hackett, Supervisor of Science, Grades K-7



The Orange School District celebrated the official opening of the new state-of-the-art *Outdoor Ecology Center and Greenhouse*, at Forest Street Elementary School, on May 18, 2015. The new facility is a unique and dynamic space fully equipped with a beautiful butterfly and humming bird garden, raised vegetable beds, a digital PRO 2 weather station and consoles and a fresh herb garden. There is also a large plant and flower lined reading and innovation arbor, a composting station, and a rock garden, along with a fully equipped greenhouse.

The opening ceremony was officiated by Forest Street school students in grades K-7 and the Supervisor of Science, visionary and project manager, Erika Hackett (*pictured above*). Principal Yancisca Cooke gave opening remarks and student Celine Jobson, Deputy Mayor of the school's *MicroSociety, Pantherville*, introduced guests.

The event was attended by members of the District's Administrative team, including Superintendent of Schools, Ronald C. Lee, Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Paula Howard, Business Administrator, Adekunle James, Orange council members, community partners and members, supporting neighbors, staff and students.



**Pictured: The *Outdoor Ecology Center and Greenhouse* Ribbon Cutting, with students and Superintendent Lee, Business Administrator James, Orange Councilmember Kerry Coley, Principal Cooke and Science Supervisor Hackett.**

The purpose and goal of the *Outdoor Ecology Center and Greenhouse Project* is to strengthen the connections between students and the world around them, in order to promote cognitive, emotional, and physical awareness. Stimulating children's minds and bodies with first-hand experiences that will enrich their lives, spark their curiosity, cultivate ideas while introducing them to and familiarizing them with concepts in physical, earth and life sciences.



Children will be able to make observations and predictions using field study to find answers to inquiries, in addition to enhancing their abilities to work with measurements, graphs, computations and data interpretation using modern technology and scientific equipment. The outdoor science classroom will naturally compliment classroom learning, as it supports the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards and Next Generation Science Standards. It will help children make connections between what they experience in the classroom and see, touch, and feel outdoors.



**Pictured: The *Outdoor Ecology Center and Greenhouse* Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.**

## **Orange History Bee 2015 at Lincoln Avenue School**



On Monday, June 1, the Annual District History Bee will be held at 6:00 p.m., at Lincoln Avenue School. This year, six elementary schools will compete in a game style competition, buzzing-in with the correct answers to topical history questions. All are invited to attend and see Rosa Parks Community School defend its championship status.

## The Park Avenue Sewing Club Presents *Strut Your Sewing Fashion Show*

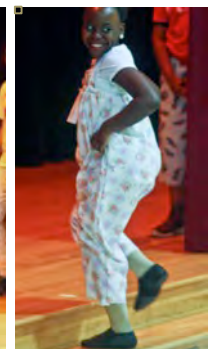
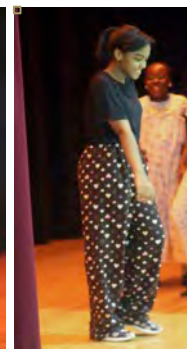
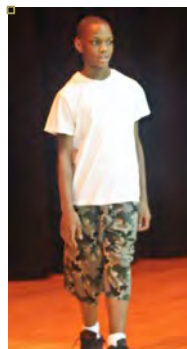
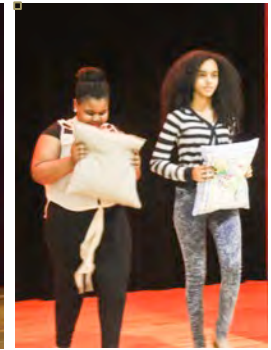
The Park Avenue Sewing Club exhibited their talents and fashion sense in the *Strut Your Sewing Fashion Show* on May 21. Club members, in grades 4 through 7, modeled articles and attire they made including, pillows, for the “It’s a Pillow Fight,” parade, pajamas, for the “Pajama Sleepover” segment, and skirts and accessories for the “Skirt Parade.”

Special guest models, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Ronald C. Lee and the Honorable Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, ‘strutted their stuff,’ along with Principal, Dr. Myron Hackett, as they walked the ‘runway’ holding stylish pillows and having a playful ‘pillow fight.’

Young men and women made the pillows and clothing, with varying levels of experience in the sewing club, under the direction of Ms. Vandarra Robbins, Sewing Instructor. She has led Park’s students for several years in the art of sewing and thanked the Association of Sewing & Design Professionals for the donation of fabrics and trims used in the fashion show. She also thanked all those who assisted in putting the show together.

In between the modeling, guests were entertained by Ms. Deborah Rembert’s *Park Avenue Dance Ensemble* and the *Concepts 2* dancers. They performed in costumes made by Ms. Robbins, while showcasing their precision and upbeat choreography.

The Sewing Club presented Mr. Lee and Mayor Warren with pillows for their support and participation, as well as Principal Dr. Hackett and Assistant Principal Ms. Devonii Reid.



**Pictured (above):** Scenes from *Strut Your Sewing Fashion Show*.



The event was officiated by Ms. Tamisha Shepherd (pictured left).

Superintendent Lee and Mayor Warren congratulated the students for their craftsmanship and talents.



**Pictured: Two fashion show participants pose with Mayor Warren, Superintendent Lee, Ms. Robbins, Dr. Hackett and Ms. Reid.**



**Pictured: Scenes from Strut Your Sewing Fashion Show.**

## **Sonic Explorations Concert at Oakwood Avenue Community School**

The May 21 Sonic Explorations Concert was a delightful musical treat by the talented students who participate in the after school program inspired by Venezuela's El Sistema music education program. The concert featured the select choir, a combined vocal, violin, and percussion piece, and a song-medley from the Kindergarten students.

Sonic Explorations began at Oakwood Avenue Community School in the fall of 2013 and provides violin instruction, as well as general musicianship classes to Kindergarten through 3rd grade. Participating students meet weekly, Tuesday through Friday, from 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.



**Pictured: Scenes from the Sonic Explorations Concert.**

## FYI

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May 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 National Dance Week Celebration 1:00 - 4:30PM at Park Ave. School 	4	5  HAPPY TEACHER'S DAY	6  Happy Nurses Day OHS Lobby Art Show 5:00PM Administrative Bldg.	7	8	9  HEALTHY FAIR 11AM-3PM at Lincoln Avenue School
10  Happy Mother's Day	11	12 Monthly BOE Meeting 7:30PM at OPA	13 Orange High School Teen Job and Career Fair 3:30 - 6:30PM at OHS	14	15	16  11AM-2PM - Oakwood Ave. Community School Health Clinic Ribbon Cutting/Block Party
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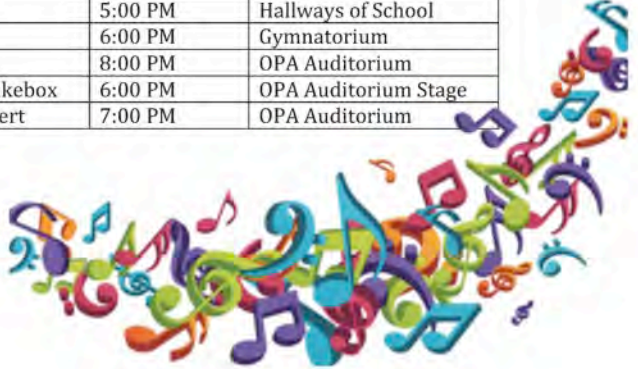


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**WHEN:**

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**WHERE:**

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**INCREDIBLE TALENT ON DISPLAY!**



**SELECT ARTWORK FOR SALE!!**



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**LAS**  
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**Tuesday, June 2, 2015**

Art Show: 5 pm LAS Lobby

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Chorus

Dance

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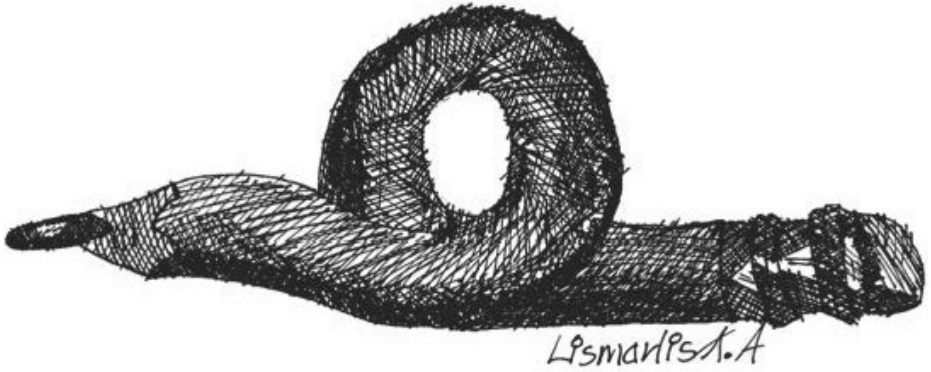


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\_\_\_\_\_ No: yo no necesito cuidado para mi hijo.



# BILINGUAL/ESL FAMILY FAIR



DAT: **SAMDI – 13 Jwen 2015** LÈ: **9AM – 1PM**

LYE: **Lincoln Avenue School \* 216 Lincoln Ave.**

## Bi nou kòm pwofesè:

Kominote Lekòl Oranj kwè ke chak limoun kapab aprann. Nou ofri yon anviwònman aprantisaj pozitif ki rekonèt epi selebre diferans anpil kilti andedan kominote nou an. Nou ankouraje respè respwòk nan mitan pwofesè nou yo, elèv, ak kominote nou an. Kòm rezilta, elèv nou yo pral devni lidè nan kominote a!

## Sa Paran yo pral jwenn lè yo vini nan Fwa Bileng/ESL Fanmi an:

- Y'ap konprann **benefis Edikasyon Bileng/ESL lan.**
- Y'ap konprann fason pou yo ede pitit yo pase **PARCC ak ACCESS.**
- Y'ap ede pitit yo konprann ke **paran ak pwofesè ap travay kòm yon ekip pou yo ka ede yo reyisi.**

## Depatman Edikasyon Oranj lan ap bay:

- Manje Maten **9AM – 10AM**
- Prezantasyon an **Franse/Kreyòl ak Panyòl**
- Swen Timoun pou timoun nan **laj 5 – 10 zan**
- Tikè Raf a paran yo pou yon chans pou **genyen yon pri!**

## Komite Responsab ak Planifikasyon:

Preskolè: **Julia Jasper & Florita Blake**  
Lekòl Elemantè: **Karla Raimondo & Christine Reeves**  
Lise/Orange High School: **Claudia Alvarado & Stephanie Ross**  
Sipèvizè Depatman Bileng/ESL: **Caroline Onyesonwu**

-- Dènye delè 7 Me 2015-- KOUPE PATI SA A EPI REMÈT LI A PWOFESÈ KLAS WA-- --Dènye Delè 7 Me 2015--

## Fwa Anyèl Fanmi Oranj pou Bileng/ESL

Non Elèv: \_\_\_\_\_ Ansek le premye lang w: Franse/Kreyòl – Panyòl

Nonb moun k'ap patisipe enkli non elèv la: \_\_\_\_\_

Eske w bezwen gadri pou pitit ou a nan jou sa a?

\_\_\_\_ Wi: Konbyen timoun? \_\_\_\_\_ Laj li (yo) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Non: Mwen pa bezwen gadri pou pitit mwen an.



*Voices in Harmony Presents*  
**Behind The Curtain**  
concert series featuring

**“Crosta’s Jukebox”**

*Come celebrate the retirement of the Performing Art’s Supervisor Mr. Peter Crosta as we honor him by performing his favorite songs.*

**FRIDAY JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup> ON STAGE AT ORANGE PREPARATORY ACADEMY**

**6:00 PM**

**~ TICKETS \$10 ~**

Come join us for an intimate concert *ON STAGE* behind the curtain where the members of Voices in Harmony will perform music from select artists and genres in a night club setting. Refreshments will be served. Help the award winning *Voices in Harmony* as we fundraise for our next competition.

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**To purchase tickets in advance via mail, make checks payable to: OBE Performing Arts  
c/o Crosta Jukebox, Orange Public Schools, 451 Lincoln Avenue, Orange, NJ 07050-2202**



*Lincoln Avenue School's*  
**End of the Year**  
*& Retirement Party*



Gloria Ortiz  
11 Years of Service



Keith R. Williams  
37 Years of Service



Alicia Vetcher  
11 Years of Service  
(Not in attendance)

**Thursday, June 11, 2014**

**5:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Hanover Manor**

16 Eagle Rock Avenue, East Hanover, New Jersey

**Cost \$60**

includes buffet, four hour open bar, and gift

**Monies due by Monday, June 1, 2015 to**

**Lisa Farrar, School Nurse at Lincoln Avenue School**

Cash & checks accepted (payable to Lincoln Avenue School Sunshine Committee)

For additional information, contact Lisa Farrar, ext. 3004



**Peter Crosta is retiring after 36 years of service to Orange Public Schools  
(38 total music education)**

**Come celebrate as he exits this stage.**

**Hat City Kitchen  
495 Valley Street  
Orange, NJ 07050**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2015  
4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

**\$55.00 per person  
Food, entertainment, gift, cash bar**

**Payment due by June 17, 2015  
K. Eddy or T. Russo, OBE, 451 Lincoln Ave., Orange, NJ 07050  
For more information call 973-877-4000 x6085**

**Please make checks payable to: OBE Performing Arts  
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Dr. T Russo, Director  
Orange Twp Public Schools  
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