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Orange, NJ 07050
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Congratulations Ezechiel Conserve Essex County Champion



Orange High School senior Ezechiel Conserve was declared Essex County Champion in the 285 lb. weight class at the Essex County wrestling tournament on January 20 at Cody Arena. His accomplishment was featured in a Star Ledger article authored by Patrick Lanni, headlined: **"Heavyweight Ezechiel Conserve Snaps Orange's 17-Essex County title Year Drought."**

He was victorious in his match against Niko Diakides of Seton Hall Prep (*pictured above, in photo by George McNish, for NJ Advance Media*).

Orange High School Assistant Principal - Athletics Mohammed Abdelaziz, shared the news with congratulations for Ezechiel, further stating:

"I would be remiss if I did not congratulate his fantastic coaches, Head Coach Jose Valdez and Assistant Coach Anthony Dietrick, who have been working tirelessly with the entire team and I know are extremely proud of this young man. Both of these coaches have worked extremely hard to build this program and their hard work is paying off. Congratulations Coaches!"

The district joins Mr. Abdelaziz and the Orange High School community in congratulating Ezechiel and wishing him further success. "He will more than likely be traveling to Atlantic City to compete in the NJSIAA state finals in March," added Mr. Abdelaziz



Scholars Academy Students Learn Design Engineering Through the Dyson Foundation

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

Students in Scholars Academy, from 3rd to 8th grade, are getting hands-on experience disassembling and reassembling the Dyson vacuum cleaner in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Lab. STEM teacher, Mrs. Regina Nadbielny, requested both the Dyson Engineering Box and the Dyson Ideas Box from the James Dyson Foundation, which are now on loan to Scholars Academy for four weeks.



The Engineering Box is a reverse engineering kit that takes students through the design process by disassembling a Dyson machine.

Students will gain an understanding how a machine works by taking it apart.

The Box is on loan completely free of charge, thanks to the James Dyson Foundation. Students are excited, as they learn about design engineering and understand the thought that goes into the creation of everyday products.



Pictured: Students from the Scholars Academy STEM Lab disassemble a Dyson machine.



Pictured: Students from the Scholars Academy STEM Lab take apart sections of a Dyson machine.

Berry's Butterflies See Hidden Figures

Submitted by Mrs. Malika Berry, School Social Worker/Berry's Butterflies Advisor, Orange Preparatory Academy

On January 17, the day after the celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, the members of Berry's Butterflies female mentoring group, made up of Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School students, went to see *Hidden Figures* at Bow Tie South Orange Cinemas. The movie is a docudrama about the crucial role of African American female mathematicians in NASA's burgeoning space program.

Seventy members, accompanied by 10 chaperones, experienced an amazing story. The students were responsive, emotional and conversed about the movie. They shared that they felt a sense of joy while viewing the film and felt a sense of pride when it was over. They were surprised to learn about the involvement of the women highlighted in the movie and how their effort helped to change the world.

Chaperones for the outing: Mrs. Malloy, Mrs. Sacks, Ms. Salvatoriello, Mrs. Bell, Ms. Jones, Mrs. Tanner, Ms. Wise, Mrs. Romero and Ms. Hayden, are all thanked for their support.



Pictured: Berry's Butterflies, students from Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School, at Bow Tie Cinemas in South Orange.

Support Berry's Butterflies



Pictured: The Berry's Butterflies group gathered at Orange Prep Academy.

Berry's Butterflies, Orange Prep and Orange High School's female mentoring program, has grown to 78 members this school year. Annually, they undertake a bonding retreat for all the participants. To help support this effort, they have established a DonorsChoose.org page to raise funds for the trip. To make a contribution to this cause, visit:

<https://www.donorschoose.org/BerryButterflies>

"Where a Caterpillar becomes her True Self."

Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School Present *Moments: A Dance Concert Series*

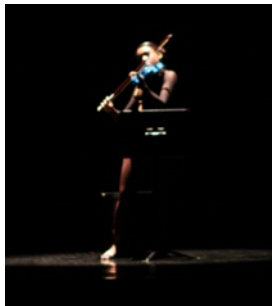
The dance ensembles from Orange High School (OHS) and Orange Preparatory Academy (OPA) presented *Moments, A Dance Concert Series*, under the creative instruction of Artistic Directors Ms. Tosha Brown and Mr. Alonzo Hall, respectively.

The evening began with “Lights Camera, Jazz,” choreographed by Mr. Hall and performed by the OPA Ensemble. It was a lively opener for an evening full of various senior solos by OHS dancers, Jaleel McRae and Deborah Frimpong, choreographed by Ms. Brown, along with the performance to *Chaconne* by Vitali that included a brief violin solo by senior Nashouna Lockwood. Other performances included Grade 8 dancers performing to “Strongest Suit” by Elton John; “Fade” by Kanye West, performed by OHS Elite Dance Ensemble, “Ribbon in the Sky” by Stevie Wonder, performed by members of the OPA Dance Ensemble, and a captivating premiere dance, “Yaaassssss” choreographed by former OHS student Marco Farroni, in collaboration with the OHS dancers.

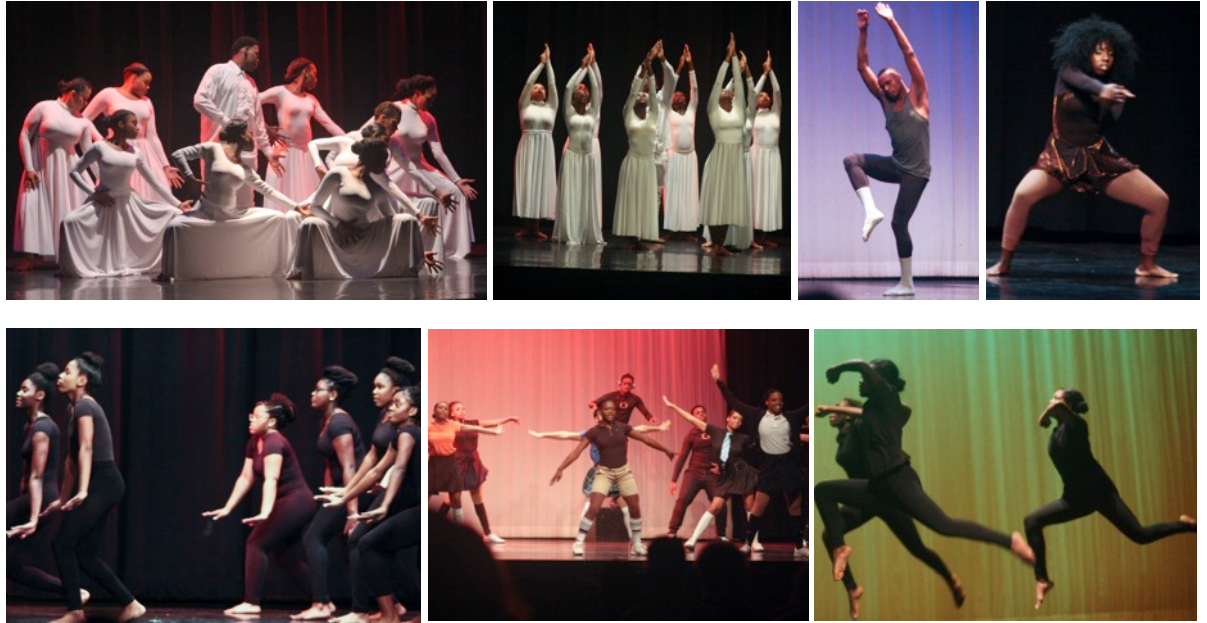
Ms. Brown’s OHS Elite Dance Ensemble presented her “Reconstruction” of Alvin Ailey’s “I’ve Been Buked (Repertoire) Daniel ” a signature performance, along with the premiere of “Home of the Free, choreographed by her, to “The Mannequin Challenge,” by Rae Sremmurd Black Beatles Mix.



Pictured: Scenes from *Moments, A Dance Concert Series*, as performed by OHS and OPA Dance Ensembles and select dancers.



Pictured: Additional scenes from *Moments, A Dance Concert Series*.



Pictured: Scenes from *Moments, A Dance Concert Series*, including a guest artist Laqua Hall, OHS and OPA Dance Ensembles and select dancers.

The evening also included a guest artist, Mr. Laqua Hall, choreographer and dancer who shared his talents with the audience. *Moments, A Dance Concert Series* was well received by the audience, with applause and praise. Ms. Aretha Malloy, Orange Prep co-principal, and Mr. Jason Belton, principal at OHS, had welcomed the audience with praise for their students and a promise for a wonderful show. Mr. Alonzo closed the evening thanking guests for their attendance and congratulating the dancers on their performance.

Special Board of Education Meeting



A Special Board of Education Meeting was held, on January 23, at the Board of Education Administrative Office. The meeting was called to address a legal matter, which involved the vote on a resolution to appoint the law firm of Schwartz Simon Edelstein & Celso, LLC as special counsel to the Orange Board of Education. After hearing public comments, questions and concerns, the board voted to retain counsel to present an injunction to the upcoming election of two board of education members. The election was scheduled for March 14, after the citizenry voted, in November, to implement an elected Board of Education vs. a board appointed by the mayor.

The meeting attendees, made up of community activists, clergy, former board member, parents and several interested in running for the new board positions, were informed that the move to an elective board would change the district designation from Type I to Type II thereby creating the potential loss of funding for much needed facilities improvements.

The next monthly Board of Education Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m., at Orange Preparatory Academy.

FYI

Parent Academy 2017 Workshops



All parents and staff members are welcome to attend the Parent Academy workshops. The 2017 schedule offers a variety of learning opportunities, free to participants. For additional information on the Parent Academy 2017 Workshops, program or events, please contact Mr. Barry Devone, community engagement officer at 973 677-4000, x 6064. See workshop schedule below.

JVS to Offer Citizenship Class



The JVS (Jewish Vocational Service) will offer a Citizenship Class at the Orange Public Library. The class is free of charge and will meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., for 10 weeks. The registration date and the first session are February 15 at 6:00 p.m. Interested participants must bring their green card to register. Please see flyer below for more details.

Orange Page Turners Reading Challenge

The Orange Page Turners Reading Challenge

Presented by the Orange Board of Education in partnership with Mayor Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., the Orange Municipal Council, the Orange Housing Authority, Scholastic Inc., Reading Plus and the Orange Education Foundation



JOIN US IN OUR QUEST TO READ ONE MILLION PAGES

November 25, 2016 - April 16, 2017

Register today at www.orange.k12.nj.us. Registration forms will also be available at the library and local and school events. Once you are registered you will receive a welcome email and the following link to log the number of pages you have read: **Orange Page Turners' Reading Challenge Tracker**

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 	2 District Closed New Year's Day Observance	3 District Reopens	4 Heywood Avenue School BOE Lobby Art Exhibit, 6:00 ^{PM}	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16  Martin Luther King Jr. Day District Closed	17	18 OHS/OPA Winter Dance Concert, 6:00 ^{PM} at Orange Prep	19	20	21
22	23	24 Dance Conservatory Winter Concert, 6:00 ^{PM} at Orange Prep	25 District wide Professional Development Day 12:30 ^{PM} Dismissal for Students	26 District wide Professional Development Day 12:30 ^{PM} Dismissal for Students	27	28
29	30	31				

Check the district [Web Site calendar](#) for January events.



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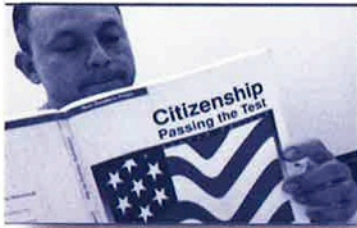
PARENTS LEARN ABOUT THE ELECTIVES OFFERED AT OHS



**OBTAIN INFORMATION ON THE
CLASSES THAT CAN PREPARE YOUR
CHILD FOR THEIR CAREER IN THE
FUTURE
2017**

CTE **Career and Technical Education** **FAIR**

**WEDNESDAY FEB. 8 & THURSDAY FEB. 9
1PM-4PM WEDNESDAY & 6PM-8PM THURSDAY
LOCATION: OHS GYM
NOTE: THE FAIR WILL BE HELD DURING THE SAME
TIME AS PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**



for

Citizenship Exam Preparation

- ***N400***
- ***American History***
- ***Civics***

Classes at Orange Public Library

348 Main St, City of Orange, NJ 07050

**Monday and Wednesday, 6:00pm – 8:00pm
for 10 weeks**

**Registration and first class: February 15 at 6:00pm
*MUST bring Green Card to register***

**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL INNA KRAMERS AT:
862-704-2283**

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Orange Township Public Schools



Parent Academy 2017 Workshops



FREE PARENT WORKSHOPS

Parent Academy is a District Wide Initiative to support overall student achievement by providing families with learning opportunities and resources that will enable them to become more involved in our students success.

January

Date	Time	Location	Topic	Facilitator
Monday 1/23/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Intro. to Common Sense Media	Ms. Epps
Tuesday 1/24/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Raising Successful Minds	Coach Kumari
Tuesday 1/31/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Couponing Workshop	Sharonn Maney

February

Date	Time	Location	Topic	Facilitator
Thursday 2/2/17	5:30pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	EPIC Facilitators Training	Carole O'Brien
Saturday 2/11/17	9:00am- 1:00pm	Scholars Academy	EPIC Facilitators Training	Carole O'Brien
Monday 2/13/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Technology Workshop	Ms. Epps
Tuesday 2/28/17	6:00pm	Board of Education	Effects of Bullying	Coach Kumari

**For Information on Parent Academy Workshops/Programs/Events please contact:
Barry Devone, Office of Community Engagement
973-677-4000 ext. 6064**

Orange Township Public Schools



Parent Academy 2017 Workshops



FREE PARENT WORKSHOPS

March

Date	Time	Location	Topic	Facilitator
Thursday 3/2/17	5:30pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	EPIC Facilitators Training	Carole O'Brien
Tuesday 3/13/17	6:00pm	Scholars Academy	Technology Workshop	Ms. Epps
Saturday 3/18/17	9:00am- 1:00pm	Scholars Academy 268 Capuchin Way	EPIC Facilitators Training	Carole O'Brien
Tuesday 3/21/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Communication	Coach Kumari
Thursday 3/30/17	6:00pm- 8:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	EPIC Facilitators Training	Carole O'Brien

April

Date	Time	Location	Topic	Facilitator
Wednesday 4/12/17	6:00pm	Board of Education 451 Lincoln Ave.	Stress Management Workshop	Coach Kumari

June

Date	Time	Location	Topic
Wednesday 6/14/17	6:00pm	Lincoln Avenue School	Parent Academy Recognition Ceremony

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ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEPARTMENT



PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2016-2017

REQUIREMENTS:

- 3 years old by 10/01/16 4 years old by 10/01/16
 - Must be resident of Orange Township
 - Original Birth Certificate
 - Child's Immunization record
 - Current lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill,
 - No cellphone bills, please
 - Picture ID

If you are living with a friend or relative, you must be included in their lease agreement. Notarized letters stating you rent a room/apartment/house will not be accepted.

DATES: DECEMBER 2016

6th, 13th, and 20th

JANUARY 2017

10th, 17th, 24th and 31st

FEBRUARY 2016

7th, 14th, and 28th

TIME - 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Last sign in: 12:30 pm.

***PLACE:* ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050

973-677-4000 ext. 1922


IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.



**ESCUELAS PUBLICAS DE ORANGE
DEPARTAMENTO DE EDUCACION
PREESCOLAR**

REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR

REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/16 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/16
 - 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 CONTRACTO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**
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REGISTRACIÓN:

DECIEMBRE 2016 - 6, 13, y 20

ENERO 2017 - 10, 17, 24, y 31

FEBRERO 2017 - 7, 14, y 28

10:00am-1:00pm

Tiene que firmar antes de las 12:30pm

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050
(973) 677-4000 ext 1922**

**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.**