

Orange Preparatory Academy Student Orientation

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AUGUST 28, 2021

10 AM - 8TH GRADE

11:15 AM - 9TH GRADE



The Administrative Team



Mr. Oliverto Agosto
Assistant Principal



Mr. Tarell Harp
Interim Assistant Principal



Ms. Carrie Halstead
Principal



Mrs. Samantha Fossella
Assistant Principal



Ms. Roberta Washington
Assistant Principal

Vision for Orange Preparatory Academy

Orange Preparatory Academy is committed to nurturing excellence and providing social emotional supports to help our students grow and succeed. We will inspire students to be community leaders as well as lifelong learners. In addition, we will provide all students with equitable opportunities for their future endeavors while becoming responsible citizens committed to tackling the challenges of the 21st century.

Mission of Orange Preparatory Academy

The stakeholders of Orange Preparatory Academy will provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and staff. We are committed to developing academic success through effective instruction, targeted interventions, and differentiated professional development for all staff.

The school recognizes and celebrates our uniqueness as a learning academy of middle and high school students. To this end, the Orange Preparatory Academy will cultivate a community where students take ownership of their learning as they move towards achieving excellence.

Agenda Items

- Health and Safety
- Academic Expectations
- Start Strong Testing
- Graduation Requirements
- Attendance Policy
- House Model
- Student Support
- School Uniform Policy
- Daily Bell Schedule
- Required Devices
- Parent Portal Access
- Clubs & Activities
- Athletics



Health and Safety



Protocols for Symptomatic Staff and Students



The isolation room is established and will be used immediately for individuals exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 once screened by school nurse.

Returning individuals are required to present physician clearance documentation prior to returning on-site. What does this mean? Negative COVID-19 test results (from the PCR test).

Confirmed cases will immediately be communicated with designated district personnel who will work directly with the local and county health departments for further guidance.

Academic Expectations

❖ Orange Preparatory Academy Students will...

1. **Collaborate** – leverage their own strengths and the strengths of others in the community. The culture will be one of giving and receiving for the betterment of all stakeholders.
2. **Exhibit Self-Awareness** – think critically about their own actions, thoughts, knowledge and limitations. They will be proficient managers of their time while they set and work towards their short and long range goals.
3. **Communicate** – be active listeners. They will clearly convey their own ideas and embrace the differences in others. They will display proper social skills and interactions.
4. **Persist** – establish a drive that pushes them to get past the set backs and negativity they may encounter. They will understand that failure is not an end but they will be persistent in their pursuits. They will develop the mindset of a life-long learner.

Career Technical Education Tracks



At Orange Preparatory Academy we currently offer introductory courses in the following CTE Tracks:



Business Accounting



Culinary



Digital Media



Engineering Essentials

Dual Credit Course Options

Essex County College
Kean University



This is a state assessment designed to give parents, districts, schools and teachers indication of academic ability at the start of the school year. The data will be used to determine necessary interventions and enrichments for students on an individual basis. The results data wait time is very limited allowing for us to start the intense work with students very quickly.

Start Strong Test

Administration Timeline: October 2021
Content Assessed: English, Mathematics and Science
Assessment Length: 60 minutes for each content assessment
Grades Tested: Both 8th and 9th Grades
Assessment Results: Immediate



English: 4 years/20 credits
Mathematics: 3 years/25 credits
Science: 3 years/15 credits
Social Studies: 3 years/15 credits
Physical Education: 4 years/16 credits
Health: 4 years/4 credits
VPA: 1 year/5 credits
World Languages: 2 years/10 credits
Financial Lit.: 1 Semester/2.5 credits
21st Cen./CTE: 1 year/5 credits
Electives: 3 years/15 credits

Graduation Requirements

Attendance Policy

State Policy: Students must attend school. Any student who is absent 18 days of school (or 18 days in a full year course; 9 days in a semester course; or 5 days in a quarter course) is subjected to a loss of credit.

When your child is absent for the entire day, is tardy and misses a portion of first block or leaves early, he or she is missing vital instruction. We cannot move the students through the necessary curriculum to be prepared for the next grade/course if they are chronically missing instruction.

House System

Two Houses

- 8th Grade House
- Freshmen House
- Each month there is one house meeting where the entire house meets to build a sense of unity in the house. Whole group events and competitions are designed to help students develop their social and interactive skills outside of the classroom setting.

Advocacy Groups

- Each staff member is assigned a group of 7-8 students for their advocacy group. These groups meet once per month. Students interact in small groups to develop skills in time management and social emotional development.

House and Whole School Events

- Special events are held to celebrate student successes as well as encourage students to continue to work toward their goals – in school, in athletics, or in their community.

Student Support Team



Ms. Stainfil – 9th Grade Counselor



Mrs. Berry – Social Worker



Ms. Romero – 8th Grade Counselor

Additional Student/Family Support

- ❖ Nurse Sacks is our health expert. She will be reaching out to all families to ensure your child is updated with all of their medical needs. She is a fantastic resource for all things medical.
- ❖ Ms. Dixon is our Family Liaison and is here to assist both students and families with a many different services. She has a wealth of knowledge to assist in many different ways. She also spearheads the PTSO for both Orange Preparatory Academy and Orange High School.
- ❖ The Zone is another resource for our students. Ms. Alyssa Kimbrough, Program Coordinator and her team are here with us today. Please make sure you stop by their table to ensure you receive vital information on the array of services they have available.
- ❖ Mr. Reggie Miller is our Male Support Instruction. Mr. Miller has spent many years here in Orange Township Public Schools working with our male students to help them transition into manhood. He is always available to our students and parents to assist in anyway he can. He is a fixture in the City of Orange and a great partner within the school district.

Student Attire

Students should dress appropriately for a school setting. Sneakers must always be worn for physical education classes. Uniforms should be worn daily. Orange Preparatory Academy Uniform Policy is as follows:

- White, Orange, or Black Polo shirt **or** Oxford shirt. All shirts must have a collar
- Khaki Pants and/or knee-length Khaki Skirts, Slacks, Skorts
- Sweater Vest or Cardigan (Must be solid black) may be worn
- Any OPA/OHS school apparel shirts (sweatpants will not be allowed)

It is the expectation of the following in terms of dress:

The following items of clothing are considered to be inappropriate and are not to be worn:

- **Blouses or sweaters that show a bare midriff, halter tops, bandanas, tank tops, tops with thin straps, short shorts, short mini-skirts, clinging or form fitting spandex leggings (*without the appropriate length skorts, shorts, skirt, or dress*), pants/jeans worn below the waist, and pants/jeans with rips 4" above the knee (including any rip that shows through to skin, undergarments, or fabric.). All flannel-type pants and sleepwear are not permitted.**
- **Appropriate and safe footwear must be worn at all times. Specifically, no flip-flops or “sliders” are to be worn due to the safety factor when using stairs. All sandals must be secured at the toes and ankle for safety.**

Full Day Schedule

Period	Time Slot	Time (min)
Period 0	7:30 AM – 8:15 AM	45
AM Announcements	8:15 AM – 8:20 AM	5
Period 1	8:20 AM - 9:05 AM	45
Period 2	9:08 AM - 9:53 AM	45
Period 3	9:56 AM - 10:41 AM	45
Period 4	10:44 AM - 11:29 AM	45
Lunch A	11:32 AM - 12:02 PM	30
Period 5A	12:02 PM - 12:47 PM	45
Period 6A	12:50 PM - 1:35 PM	45
Period 5B	11:32 AM - 12:17 PM	45
Period 6B	12:20 PM - 1:05 PM	45
Lunch B	1:08 AM - 1:38 PM	30
Period 7	1:38 PM - 2:23 PM	45
Period 8	2:26 PM - 3:15 PM	49
PM Announcements	3:11 PM – 3:15 PM	4
Extended Day	3:20 PM – 4:20 PM	60

Half Day Schedule

HALF DAY BELL SCHEDULE

Zero Period	7:30 – 8:15
Period 1	8:20 – 9:20
Period 2	9:22 – 10:22
Period 3	10:24 – 11:24
Period 4	11:26 – 12:26

The periods will be on a rotating bases as we move through the year.

Required Devices

Students are required to bring their district issued chromebook to school each day. Your own personal device will not be able to connect to our server nor will it be able to access all of our instructional platforms. All students are required to sign up for a chromebook.

The chromebook is the responsibility of the student and there is to be no sharing of devices.



Device Sign-up & Pick-up

- ❖ 1st you need to sign-up to receive a device using our google form. This form can be located on the Orange Preparatory Academy homepage under the tab “Site Shortcuts”. Once you click on this tab, please scroll down and you will see the link on the right.
- ❖ Once you have completed the form, you are all set to pick up the device on August 31, 2021 at our Schedule Kiosk from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Genesis Parent Portal

All parents should have access to their student's grades, attendance and report cards in real time. To gain access, you must register. The links can be found at

www.orange.k12.nj.us/genesislaunch.

If you have not already done so, please make sure you register today.

Orange Township Public School District Genesis Parent Portal

To continue to provide families with the most up to date information we are launching registration for the Genesis Parent Portal. When you are a part of the portal:

- You can view your child's grades in real-time
- Receive important information from the district



Sign up today for a Genesis Parent Portal account. If you have an account and your contact information changed (phone number, email address, etc.) you are encouraged to fill out the form.

Find registration links in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole at:
www.orange.k12.nj.us/genesislaunch.



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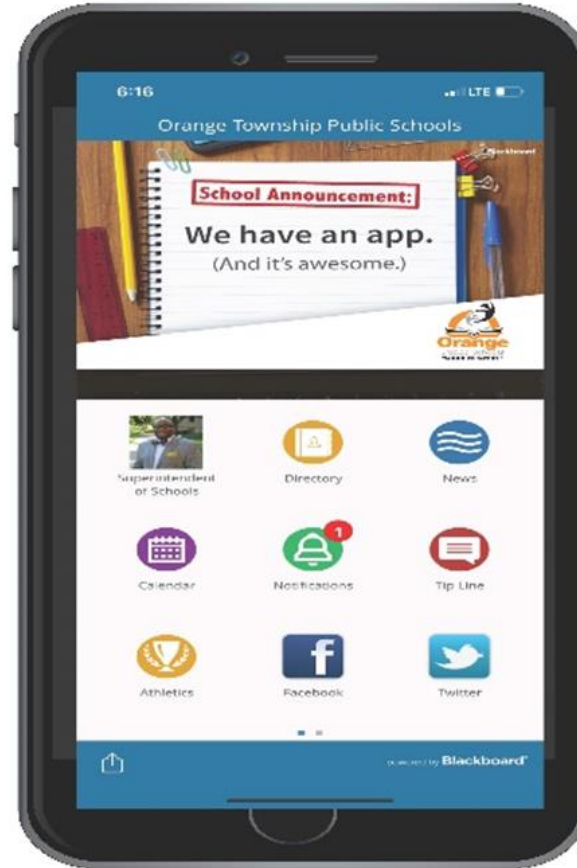
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August 30 and 31, 2021 – Schedule Kiosk

September 7, 2021 – 1st day of School – Breakfast begins at 7:35 am and Instruction begins promptly at 8:20 am

September 14, 2021 – 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm – Back to School Night

Dates to Remember

THROUGH THIS
TOGETHER



Orange High School Athletics – 2021-2022

Gerald Fitzhugh, II, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Jason Belton, Principal, Orange High School
Anthony Frantantoni, Assistant Principal of Athletics & Academics

Meeting Agenda

- **Introductions**
- **Athletic Offerings at OHS**
- **Eligibility Requirements for all Student-Athletes**
- **NJSIAA COVID-19 Guidelines Overview**
- **Orange Athletics Guidelines for Student-Athletes**

Mr. Anthony Frantantoni

Assistant Principal of Athletics & Academics - OHS

- Exercise Science & Sport Studies – Rutgers Univ.
- Health & Human Performance
- Educational Leadership – St. Peter's College
- Teacher at OHS since 2006
- Wrestling coach for 12 years (2007-2013 at OHS)
- Certified Personal Trainer and Olympic Lifting Coach

OHS Athletic Department

Ms. Pia Frazier - Athletic Assistant

- **Mr. Edwin Vasquez - Site Manager & Security**
- **Ms. Maribel Montalvo - Administrative Assistant for Athletics**
- **Ms. Margarita Morfin - Athletic Trainer**
- **Mr. Jamar Summers - Athletic Academic Coach**

2021-2022 Athletics at OHS

▪ Fall 2021

- Football - V & JV
- Girls Soccer - V
- Boys Soccer - V
- Girls Volleyball - V, JV
- Cheer

▪ Spring 2022

- Baseball - V
- Softball - V
- Track - V
- Boys Volleyball - V, JV

▪ Winter 2021-22

- Boys Basketball - V, JV, F
- Girls Basketball - V, JV
- Wrestling - V
- Indoor Track

Eligibility Requirements for all Student-Athletes

NJSIAA ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for athletic competition during the first semester (September 1 to January 31) a pupil must have passed 25% of the credits (30) required by the State of New Jersey for graduation (120), during the immediately preceding academic year.
2. To be eligible for athletic competition during the second semester (Feb. 1 to June 30), a pupil must have passed the equivalent of 12.5% of the credits (15) required by New Jersey for graduation (120) at the close of the preceding semester (Jan. 31). Full-year courses shall be equated as one-half of the total credits to be gained for the full year to determine credits passed during the immediately preceding semester.

Eligibility Requirements for all Student-Athletes

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION IS A PRIVILEGE, NOT A RIGHT

- Completion of the Athletic Registration process on the OHS Athletics Website
 - This includes meeting and agreeing to the following:
 - **Cumulative G.P.A. 2.0 or higher and 30 Credits From Previous Year**
 - NJSIAA Steroid Policy Form
 - Concussion Policy Acknowledgment Form
 - Opioid use & Misuse Fact Sheet
 - Team Rules Form
 - Athletic Code of Conduct
 - Comprehensive Insurance Acknowledgement Form
 - Pre-Participation Physical/Examination Form (Completed by Parent/Guardian)
 - Physical Evaluation Form (Completed by Medical Doctor)

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 - This includes meeting and agreeing to the following:
 - **G.P.A. 2.0 or higher and 30 Credits From Previous Year**
 - *HAVE A CUMMULATIVE GPA OF 2.0 AND MAKE A SERIOUS ENDEAVOUR TO KEEP UP MY STUDIES AND PASS ALL SUBJECTS. IF MY GPA IS BELOW A 3.0, I WILL ATTEND MANDATORY ATHLETIC TUTORING.*
 - *MAINTAIN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING IN ALL CLASSES THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL YEAR*
 - *STUDENT-ATHLETES WITH FAILURES IN CURRENT/PREVIOUS MARKING PERIOD(S) ARE SUBJECT TO CONSEQUENCES, INCLUDING EXCLUSION FROM PRACTICES, GAMES, AND/OR REMOVAL FROM THE TEAM.*
 - *ANY STUDENT-ATHLETES WITH FAILURES IN PREVIOUS MARKING PERIODS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND ATHLETIC-TUTORING.*
 - *IF STUDENT-ATHLETES ARE NOT ATTENDING MANDATORY TUTORING, CONSEQUENCES WILL BE ISSUED, INCLUDING EXCLUSION FROM PRACTICES, GAMES, AND/OR REMOVAL FROM THE TEAM.*
- By completing the Athletic Registration, both the student-athlete and parent/guardian agree to, and will abide, by these academic responsibilities.

Eligibility Requirements for all Student-Athletes

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- All participants must complete the Athletic Registration process on the OHS Athletic website
 - <https://www.orange.k12.nj.us/domain/93>
- Physicals: all participants must have a physical on file with the Athletic Trainer. If you had a physical for Fall/Winter Sports or with your own doctor, please be sure to provide Ms. Morfin with a copy.
- Please join your team's Google Classroom page. This is where most communication will take place between the Athletic Department, coaches, and student-athletes.

Eligibility Requirements for all Student-Athletes

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- There is a reason why you are called *student-athletes*:
 - *Being a student comes FIRST.*
- Students who are not academically eligible will not compete on any Orange High School Athletic team
- There will be MANDATORY athletic tutoring for all student-athletes after school, 3:30pm – 4:30pm. Tutoring will be Virtual and/or In-School, based on our schedule.
- Student-athletes with a GPA between 2.0-2.9 will have 3 dedicated tutors to assist them in bringing their grades up.

NJSIAA COVID-19 Guidelines

<https://www.njsiaa.org/covid-19-resources>

- All student-athletes must comply with the Orange Public Schools & NJSIAA guidelines for Athletics.
 - Completing the COVID-19 Questionnaire BEFORE Practice
 - Completing a temperature scan
 - Wearing a face covering (when necessary)
 - Maintaining social distancing and following proper hygiene before, during, and after practices/games.

Orange Athletics COVID-19 Guidelines

Face Coverings

- The CDC affirmed that face coverings are a critical tool in the fight against COVID-19 that reduces the spread of the disease, particularly when used universally within communities.
- Coaches are required to wear face coverings at all times, unless doing so would inhibit the coach's health.
- Student-athletes are required to wear face coverings, unless doing so would inhibit the student's health, the student is in extreme heat outdoors, or the student is engaged in high intensity aerobic or anaerobic activities.
- Student-athletes on the bench or sidelines are required to wear face coverings.

Orange Athletics COVID-19 Guidelines

Social Distancing, Hygiene, & Precautions

- Practices may only be 2-3 hours of your day. Please ensure the health and safety of your team, coaches, and families by:
 - Following social distancing guidelines before and after practices
 - Practice good hygiene by regularly washing your hands, using hand sanitizer, and wearing a face covering
 - If you are not feeling well, PLEASE STAY HOME. Do not risk endangering your team and coaches

Orange Athletics & NJSIAA COVID-19 Guidelines

COVID-19 Symptoms

- Fever ($\geq 100.4^{\circ}\text{F}$)
- Cough or shortness of breath
- Sore Throat
- Chills
- Muscle aches or rigors
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Abdominal pain, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea

Orange Athletics & NJSIAA COVID-19 Guidelines

COVID-19 Protocols

If you are not feeling well or are showing symptoms of COVID-19:

- **DO NOT GO TO PRACTICE**
- **Contact your coach, Mr. Frantantoni, and your doctor.**
- **Quarantine immediately upon first symptoms.**
- **You cannot return to practice until you receive clearance from your doctor.**
- **Monitor symptoms.**

Orange Athletics

- Just as our student-athletes play as a team, we must also work together to make this season and this school year safe and successful.
- Parents and families, please go to the OHS Athletics website for a copy of this presentation, as well as all information related to athletics, NJSIAA, and COVID-19 guidelines.

**Thank you for Partnering With Us
As We....**

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