



OAKWOOD AVENUE COMMUNITY SCHOOL (OACS) BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

September 16, 2024

Oakwood Avenue Community School

Mr. Dana Gaines, Principal



Oakwood Avenue Community School

Collaborative Mission Statement

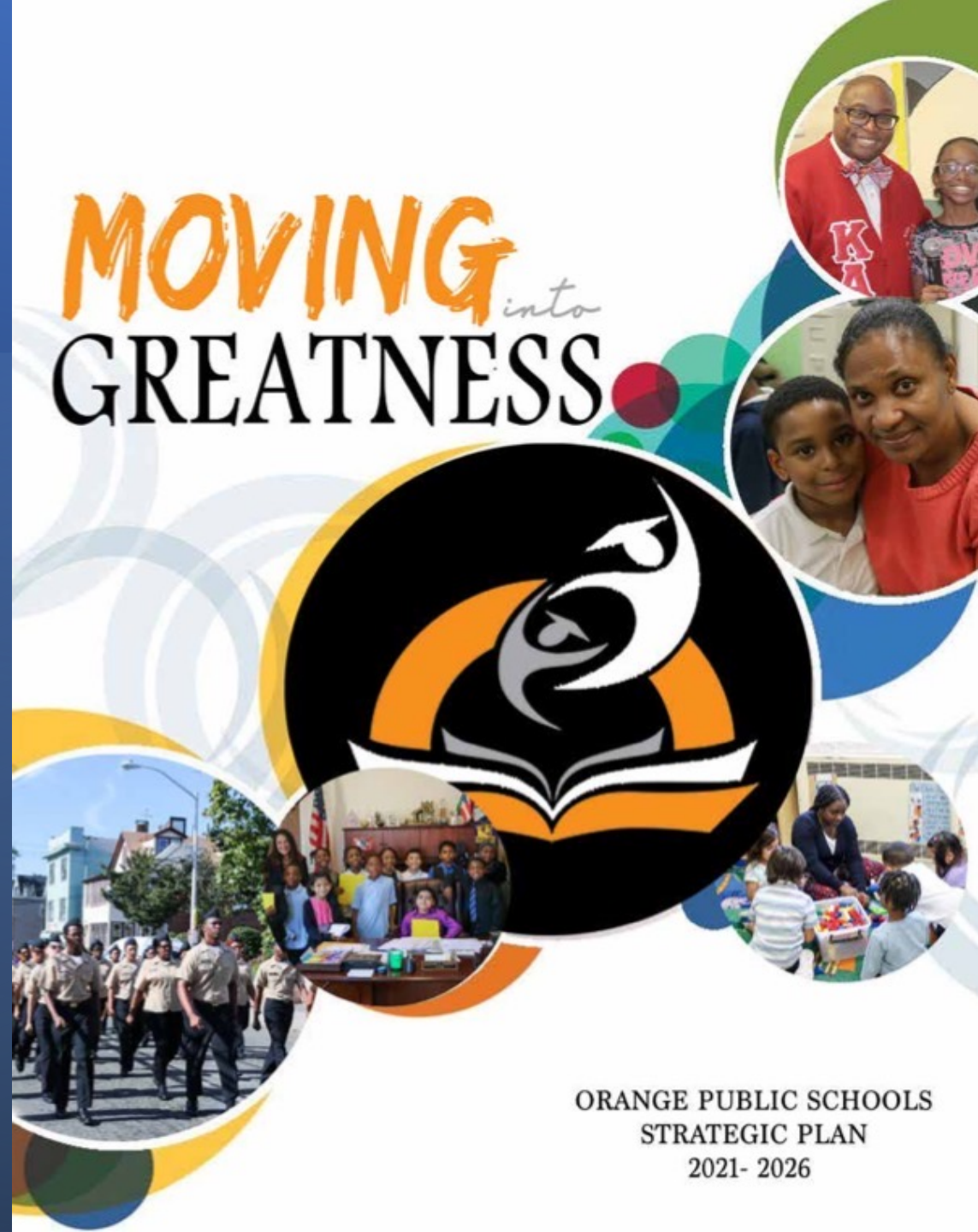
With a results-driven focus on improving student achievement, Oakwood Avenue Community School will ensure that students, parents, teachers and the community receives rigorous, robust and rewarding 21st Century learning experiences by way of:

- Professional collaboration
- An ongoing commitment to explore and implement new instructional best practices
- Mutual trust and respect
- Sharing and acknowledging successes
- Family and community engagement

Our collaborative efforts at OACS is rooted in the dedicated partnership of families, community, students and staff towards the common goal of premier social, emotional, and intellectual growth.

It is our **PRIDE, PASSION, PURPOSE.**

Oakwood Avenue Community School is guided by Moving into Greatness: Orange Public Schools 2021-2026 Strategic Plan developed by all stakeholders from staff, students, and community members. The plans and guidelines can be found on the Orange District web page at www.orange.k12.nj.us. The plan includes our framework for student learning, the priorities and strategies on which we will focus, and indicators that will measure our progress from the 2021-2026 school years.



Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

PRE-SCHOOL

Kristen Berggren	Pre-School Teacher
Laura Mitchell	Pre-School Teacher
Tiffany Woodards	Pre-School Teacher
Destiny Lundy	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Saniel Collin	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Princess Lockhart	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Carla Bacchus	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

Grades K-7

Jesenia Lopez	Kindergarten Teacher
Lakenya Rolon	Grade 1 Teacher
Jessica Wilson	Grade K-2 Teacher
Amber VanderGoot	Grade 2 & 3 ELA/SS Teacher
Claudia Spagnuolo	Grade 2 & 3 Math/Sci Teacher
Zakiyyah Duncan	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Kristina Shivers	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Vicki Wright	Paraprofessional/Teacher Assistant
Kristina Shivers	Teacher Assistant

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

Grades K-7

Benjamin Frost	Grade 3/4 Teacher
Jeffrey Hou	Eng/2nd Language (ESL) Teacher
Jennifer Beaumont	Grade 4/5 Science
Jennifer Bartley	Grade 4/5 Math
Katrina Coates	Teacher Assistant

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

Grades K-7

Fabiola Chouloutte	Grade 5-7 Teacher
Sonya Lundy	Grade 6/7 ELA Teacher
Konstantinos Ntoufas	Grade 6/7 Math Teacher
Dr. Joya Clark	Grade 6-7 Science Teacher
Antoine Meredith	Grade 4-7 Social Studies Teacher
Alleana Inyong Pak	Eng/2nd Language (ESL) Teacher
Susan Battle	Teacher Assistant

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

P.E./Specialists – K-7/Interventists

Ana Rodriguez	World Languages/Spanish
Jenna Heaslip	Art Teacher
Britt Keshner	Drama Teacher
Ellen Raimondi	Computer Literacy Teacher
Morgan Holden	Music Teacher
Robert Bloom	Physical Ed/Health Teacher
Angie Hawthorne	ELA Interventionist
Danielle Perrotta	Math Interventionist

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

Special Services – Child Study Team

Dr. Pamela Alkins-Guallab	School Psychologist
Elyse Kehr	LDT-C
Carline Petiote	Social Worker
Jennifer West	Speech Language Pathologist
Carmelle Phillips	Occupational Therapist

Oakwood Avenue Community School Staff

SUPPORT STAFF

Cynthia Jackson	Administrative Secretary
Jason Smith	School Security Officer
Lisa Brown	School Security Officer
Pamela Venable	Guidance Counselor
Breeana Dickson	School Nurse
Benny Gonzalez	Technology Coordinator
Tyrina Vaughan	Technology Instruction Coach

Oakwood Avenue Community School (OACS)

Instructional Focus & Planning

Critical Thinking and Life-Long Learning Skills

Teachers and staff participate in targeted, ongoing professional development and collaborative planning. Professional development is rooted in a high quality, standards-based curriculum; analysis and strategic use of data to drive instruction; and implementation of proven and effective instructional strategies.



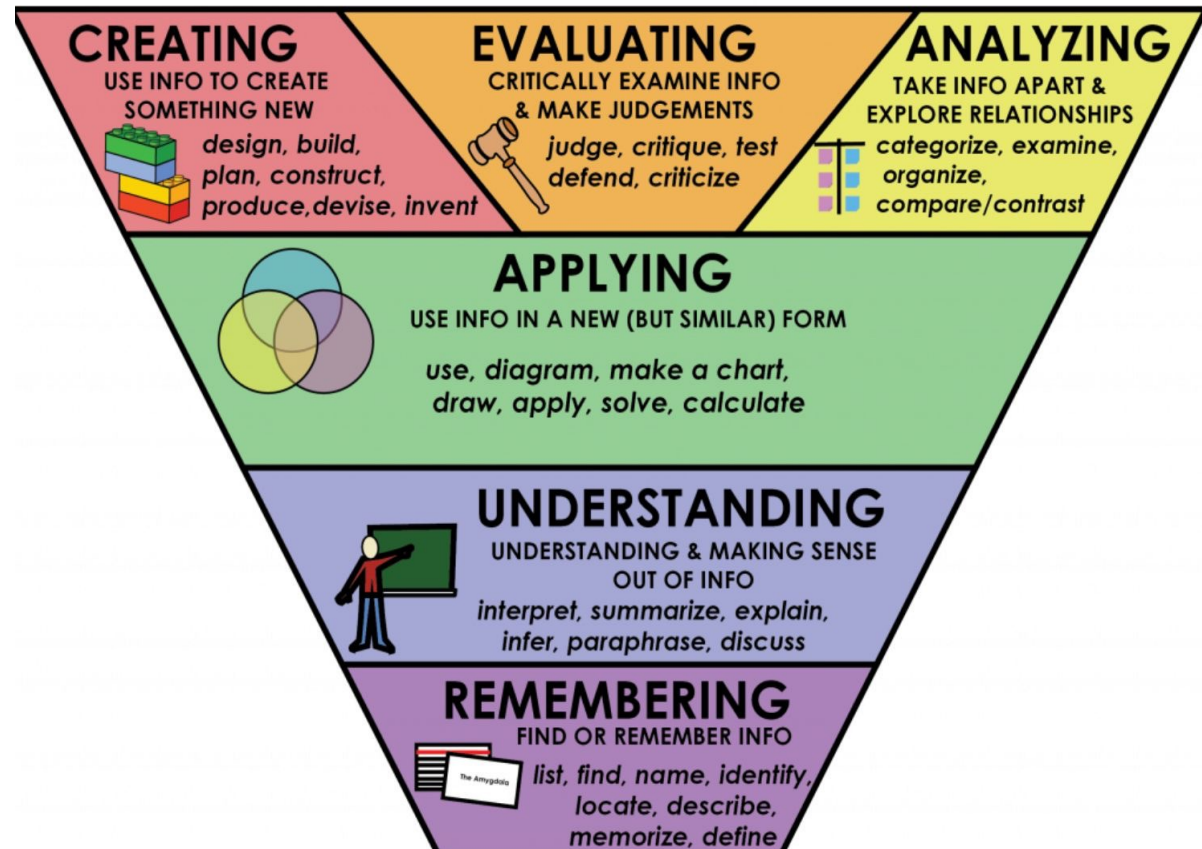
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Critical Thinking and Life-Long Learning Skills

Observable in...

- Lesson Plans
- Rigorous Tasks & Activities
- Investigations & Research
- Problem-Solving with Real-World Situations
- Target Questioning
- Student Collaboration & Discourse
- Student Work
- Assessments
- Homework

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**ORANGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
VERIZON INNOVATIVE
LEARNING SCHOOLS**

[Orange Public Schools](#)
[Year 2 - Verizon Innovative Learning](#)

Orange Public Schools, in SY 2023-24, joined Verizon Innovative Learning Schools, Verizon's award-winning education initiative, in partnership with Digital Promise. Orange High School, **Oakwood Avenue Community School**, and Orange Preparatory Academy of Inquiry and Innovation continue that partnership in SY 2024-25 for Year 2 as a Verizon Innovative Learning School (VILS).

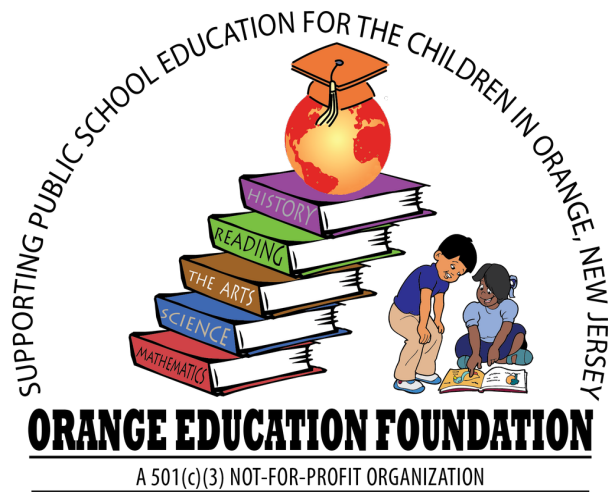


OAKWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS



- Robotics
- Student Council
- Chess
- Crochet
- Tech Club
- Debate Club
- Tennis
- Bridge

Community Partners & School Programs



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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.



Parent Portal
Access

Home –
School
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Oakwood Avenue Community School

135 Oakwood Avenue
Orange, New Jersey 07050
Telephone: (973) 677-4095

2024-2025

Parent/Student Handbook

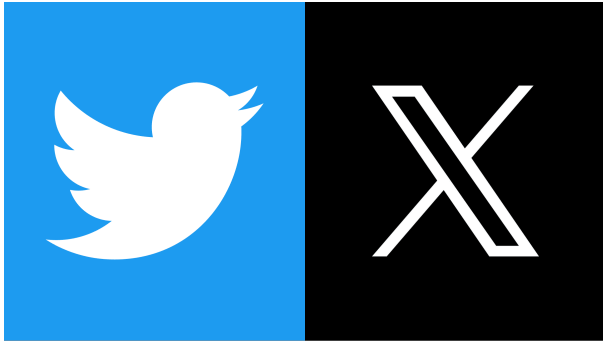


Embrace Pride - Ignite Passion - Fulfill Purpose

- Located on the Oakwood School webpage at www.orange.k12.nj.us under the tab “Our District” and “Our Schools”
- Important information on school policies and expectations that both students and parents should know.

(including school hours, classroom expectations, school dress code, cell phone use use policy, important dates throughout the year, and more.)

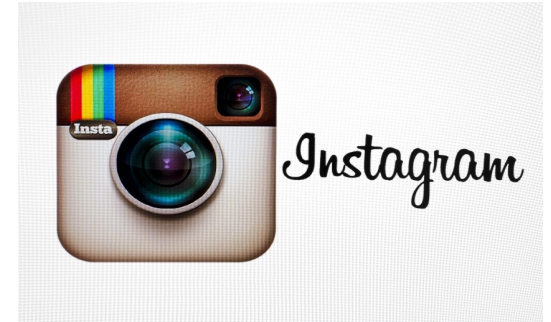
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Follow us for school events & highlights!

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***Thank You For Your Support and
Collaboration Towards a
Successful 2024-25 School Year!!***

