



INSIGHTS

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Mrs. Dani Trimble
OABCIG Superintendent

Another Great School Year
I want to thank the students, staff, and community for an outstanding school year. There have been so many great happenings in the OA-BCIG Community this year! Students, you help us remember each and every day just why we chose this great profession. Parents and community, you provide the great support that we need to deliver quality educational experiences. And staff, your willingness to learn and continuously develop as professionals makes this a great place to be. Have a great summer!

Blog

Please check out <http://danitrimble.wordpress.com/> for weekly updates on various school related topics.

Reorganization Study

On April 11, as part of the Joint Regular School Board Meeting, members of the OA-BCIG Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) shared their findings of the reor-

ganization study that they have conducted throughout this year. We look forward to many great conversations about the future as we all consider the possibilities for the OA-BCIG community. Please feel free to let us know if you would like a presentation to any community group in the near future.

Taxes

The public hearings on the 2011-12 school budget are now complete. Our recommendations to both boards included a slight decrease in tax asking. The following represents a brief history of the asking for both districts:

O-A	BCIG
FY08...13.93	FY08... 12.53
FY09...13.04	FY09... 12.66
FY10...13.83	FY10... 13.75
FY11...13.72	FY11... 13.75
FY12...13.70	FY12... 13.72

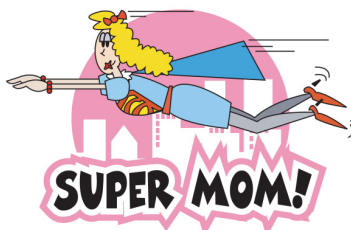
Mr. Tony Spradlin
OABCIG MS & OA PK-5
Principal

Joleen Brady

OA Elementary Guidance

We have had a busy year with our guidance lessons this year. Kindergarten and First grades are learning the 6 pillars of Character. We are working on Respect and Responsibility this month. The Second Step Violence Prevention program has been a great program for our Second to Fourth grade students. The sequence for this program is to teach empathy training first, then move into impulse control and problem solving, lastly we will discuss anger management. The overall goal of this program is to teach healthy social-emotional skills, which we hope will reduce the incidents of bullying.

The Fifth grade students have been working on a career exploratory unit this year called The Real Game. They have created their own town, along with the jobs/careers needed to operate the town. Interviews were conducted



to see who was best qualified for the open positions in the community. The students reported that this process was harder than they realized. We were very lucky to have Mrs. Trimble visit our classroom to discuss how taxes affect different community services, such as schools. We are also in the process of planning a field trip to a local historical site and to a local community business.

OABCIG MS Guidance

We began our Girl Talk Program on March 22 and hosted four sessions in the evenings during the months of March & April. This program was for the 5th & 6th grade girls and their moms. Girl Talk was developed to help girls deal with peer pressure and build self-esteem – all with the help of their mothers. We were excited to be able to partner with ISU Extension to offer this program.

Our 8th grade girls have done a wonderful job this year mentoring our elementary students. We have met approximately three times each month throughout the school year. We have included academic time, along with teaching social skills through games and activities. Our mentors include: Payton Allen, Katlyn Cowham, Claudia Devitt, Madison Hemer, Paige Roeder, Beth Stangl, Taylor Trimble, Desi Schaeuble, and Deandra Woebke. We would like to thank them for the great job they have done in being fantastic role models for our elementary students this year.



Mr. Patrick Miller
OABCIG HS Principal

Janet Christensen **High School English**

Comp/Lit 1 Investigates Careers

This semester freshmen in Comp/Lit 1 wrote research papers based on possible careers. The students completed several surveys on the I Have A Plan Iowa web site to assist them in choosing their career topics. They did an interest inventory, an educational assessment, a work assessment, and various skills surveys. The website then narrows the career possibilities for students based on their responses. This helps students make the connection between what courses they take in high school, their interests, and their talents and the requirements to reach certain career goals. They recognize that particular jobs require a certain set of skills, and that they are in charge of their own futures and can change their outlooks.

After extensive self-assessment and research, the students then created MLA style research papers including such data as the overview of the career, education needed to pursue this occupation, and the skills needed to be successful in this job. They also mentioned the working environments and the expected salaries for the careers.

Some students were very pleased with their career selection after their research experience. Other students recognized that there was more to a career than they previously thought (perhaps not as glamorous as on television)

or that certain aspects of a job were not as appealing as they expected.

This experience is not just about career exploration. Students compose an MLA style research paper complete with in text citations and a works cited page. They use at least three sources to document their findings and report them in written format.

The website www.ihaveaplaniowa.gov is a free resource with many added features such as ACT test prep, financial aid referencing, and school selection criteria to name a few. It is set up to accommodate a variety of ages from elementary age students to adults according to their needs. This site is advertized on television to guide people in both their initial career explorations, as well as career changes later in life. This assessment meets both local and state career education guidelines.


Mr. Alan Henderson
BCIG PK-6 Principal

Jane Hamann **5th & 6th Grade**

In sixth grade math, we are finishing the chapter on tools of geometry and will soon be starting the chapter on measurement. We have been working on classifying and measuring angles and triangles. Finding complementary and supplementary angles was another skill we encountered in this chapter.

Fifth graders are just finishing the chapter on multiplying decimals and will soon begin dividing decimals. We will conclude the year with understanding measurement and graphs.

Breakfast & Lunch Menus for May 2011

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2 OA B: Donut OA L: Mac & cheese, green beans, jello, pears, school made bun BCIG B: Egg patty, sausage bites BCIG L: Tavern/bun, potato wedge, peas, pineapple</p>	<p>3 OA B: Pancakes OA L: Escalloped potatoes & ham, corn, peaches, school made bun BCIG B: Cereal, toast BCIG L: Elem - Teriyaki chicken, HS & Inter. - Mandarin orange chicken, carrots, rice, mixed fruit</p>	<p>4 OA B: Cinnamon roll OA L: Cold cut combo, baked chips, banana, lettuce salad BCIG B: Cheese omelet, toast BCIG L: Chef salad & ham/cheese sandwich, apricots</p>	<p>5 OA B: Yogurt & cereal OA L: Egg, sausage, cheese/bun, diced potatoes, mixed fruit BCIG B: Cereal, donut BCIG L: Pizza and assorted salads</p>	<p>6 OA B: Taco to go OA L: Chicken fajitas, lettuce/cheese/salsa, refried beans, apple BCIG B: Egg patty, sausage, toast BCIG L: Popcorn chicken, mozzarella sticks, green beans, mandarin oranges</p>
<p>9 OA B: Long john OA L: Grilled cheese, fresh veggies, orange slices, school made bun BCIG B: Biscuit & sausage gravy BCIG L: Taco-in-a-bag, lettuce, tomato, applesauce</p>	<p>10 OA B: Biscuits & gravy OA L: Chicken nuggets, cukes, cauliflower, corn, peaches BCIG B: Cereal, toast BCIG L: Hamburger/bun, black bean salad, cole slaw, mixed melon</p>	<p>11 OA B: Cinnamon roll OA L: Burritos, cooked carrots, radishes, broccoli, grapes BCIG B: Cheese omelet, toast BCIG L: Chef salad OR HS - Ravioli Elem - Spagettios, corn, pears</p>	<p>12 OA B: Eggs, toast OA L: Hamburger/bun, smiley fries, pears BCIG B: Yogurt, coffee-cake BCIG L: Pizza dippers & assorted salads</p>	<p>13 OA B: Waffles OA L: Pizza dippers, lettuce, broccoli salad, pudding, assorted fruit BCIG B: Egg patty, bacon, toast BCIG L: Hot ham/cheese melt, smiley fries, peas, pineapple</p>
<p>16 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Breakfast pizza BCIG L: French toast, sausage, hash brown, peaches</p>	<p>17 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Cereal, toast BCIG L: Chicken patty/bun, green beans, mixed fruit, brownie</p>	<p>18 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Cheese omelet, toast BCIG L: Burrito, spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, apricots</p>	<p>19 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Cereal, donut BCIG L: Pizza & assorted salads</p>	<p>20 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Egg patty, sausage, toast BCIG L: Int - Fish sticks Elem & HS Chicken drummie, tator tots, carrots, mandarin oranges</p>
<p>23 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Cook's Choice BCIG B: Cereal bar, yogurt BCIG L: Hot dog/bun, french fries, corn, cinnamon applesauce cup</p>	<p>24 OA B: Cook's Choice OA L: Sack Lunch BCIG B: Cereal, toast BCIG L: Sack lunch - turkey & cheese sandwich, baked chips, baby carrots, raisins</p>			<p>27 <i>Milk, fresh fruit & bread are served daily with each meal. Odebolt has a salad bar everyday.</i></p>
<p>30 Memorial Day</p>	<p>31</p>			

Last Call Class of 2005 Cumulative Folders For O-A Students

You or your parents may pick up your cumulative records at any time by contacting the middle school office (668-2827). Records are held for five years after graduation and then destroyed if not picked up by June 3.

O-A Class of 2006 Students

You or your parents may pick up your cumulative records at any time by contacting the mid-

dle school office (668-2827). Records are held for five years after graduation and then destroyed if not picked up by June 2012.

BCIG Cumulative Folders Class of 2008 Records

The cumulative folders for the BCIG class of 2008 will be shredded this summer starting June 1, 2011. If any graduates or parents would like to have these records please contact Jo in the HS office prior to June 1, 712-364-3371.

Senior Information

Colors:

Girls: Empire Gray gowns and hats.
Boys: Carmine Red gowns and hats.
Black is the accent color

Song:

Those Nights by Slillet








Flower:

White dahlia dipped in red

Motto:

Two zero one one
The future's here, it has begun.
Studied hard and had some fun
Made our mark and now we're done.

Activity Calendar for May 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WVC Co-Ed Track @ IG 3:30 •WVC Golf Girls @ Correctionville Boys @ Kingsley •Girls Golf @ Holstein 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BCIG 3rd Grade Field Trip •CAC Meeting •WVC Track Meet MakeUp Rain Date •BCIG 1st Grade Field Trip •TAG Sharing Night @ Odebolt 6:30 •MS Track @ Woodbine 4:00 •JV/V Golf @ Lake City 4:30 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1:00 Dismissal Prof. Dev. •17th Annual Whitey Thompson Hike-Bike-A-Thon 1:45 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Fine Arts Awards & Supper @ HS 5:30 •HS Fine Arts Concert 7:00 	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BCIG 2nd Grade Field Trip •OA 2nd Grade Field Trip •MS Track Manson NW Webster Relays 4:00 •Golf @ Alta Boys & Girls JV/V 4:00 •Westwood Co-ed Track Relays 5:00 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •IH SMA Large Group Music Contest @ Sloan •Music Banquet 7:00
<p>8</p> 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •WVC Golf Championship @ Denison 1:00 •MS Track AO-MV relays 4:00 •Sioux City Frosh/JV Meet Co-ed @ Olson Stadium 4:30 •JV Boys Track Meet @ Dunlap 4:30 •School Board Meeting 6:30 	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •MS Track WVC Relays @ Kingsley 3:00 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Athletic Booster Meeting 6:00 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •OA 3rd - 5th TAG Field Trip •Girls Regional/Boys District Co-Ed Track Meet @ Ida Grove 4:00 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Seniors Last Day •Boys Sectional Golf •2nd Session Drivers Ed 6:45 - 7:50 •MS Dance 7:00 - 10:00 	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Baseball Scrimmage 1:00 •Athletic Banquet 6:00
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Girls Golf Districts •2nd Session Drivers Ed 6:45 - 7:50 •MS Band & Vocal Concert 7:00 	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •BCIG Elementary Track & Field Day •Senior Awards Banquet & Program 5:45 	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •2nd Session Drivers Ed 6:45 - 7:50 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •State Track •BCIG 4th Grade Field Trip •OA Elementary Track Meet 1:00 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •State Track •Boys District Golf •BCIG Kindergarten Graduation & Music Program 1:00 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •State Track
<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Graduation 2:00 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •HS Semester Tests •Girls Golf Regionals •Make Up Day •SB vs River Valley 6:00 •BB vs River Valley 6:00 •Retirement Party for Siebrecht/Swensen/Blum/Currie @ Odebolt 4:30 - 6:00 	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Last Day of Classes Make Up Day •HS Semester Tests •End of 4th Quarter - 2nd Semester •SB @ Lawton 6:00 •BB @ Lawton 6:00 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Teacher Workday •2nd Session Drivers Ed 7:30 - 10:30 •JV-R SB vs Ridge View 4:00 •SB vs Ridge View 6:00 •BB vs Ridge View 6:00 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Music Trip 	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Music Trip •Boys State Golf 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Music Trip •Boys State Golf •BB @ Logan vs Treynor/Lo-Ma 1:00 
<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Music Trip •Memorial Day 	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Music Trip •Girls State Golf •BB JV/V @ Lytton 6:00 					

Have a Great Summer Break!!!