

Indiahoma Warriors

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A Letter from Superintendent Voegeli

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Oklahoma State Department of Education changed the testing program last year. Parents will be receiving test results the end of November. New standards were developed to increase the preparedness of students for college and careers. The state-level assessment scores now align with the ACT, SAT, and NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress).

The new assessments require setting new performance levels for English language arts and math in grades 3-8 and 10 and for science in grades 5, 8 and 10. Performance levels or 'cut scores' are presented in categories: Advanced, Proficient, Basic and Below Basic.

The state department wants parents and educators alike to be prepared to see a significant drop in the number of students reported as proficient or advanced. That decrease does not mean students are less skilled than last year or that a school is less effective. It means Oklahoma's scores have been recalibrated to align with the knowledge and skills students need to be ready for college and career.

The Oklahoma state department of education also wants parents and educators to know that this school year represents a new beginning and a TOTAL RESET; no comparison is possible with student or school performance in past years. It will become the baseline of student and school performance as we continue efforts to position every Oklahoma student on the leading edge of success.

So, please keep all of the above Oklahoma State Department of Education information in mind when you receive your child's scores in November.

I assure you that our Indiahoma teachers will strive to make sure that each and every student will have the opportunity to be successful and college ready and to be prepared to seek their careers.

The state department reminds us that it is important not to let test scores overshadow the worth of other educational experiences and opportunities that have deep value for students. Research shows a basic education in the arts and extracurricular activities including leadership programs, clubs, etc., can improve student engagement, boost attendance and student achievement.

Further, not everything that matters is measured in a state test. In fact, employers report time and again the importance of soft skills and traits not measured in state-mandated tests: creative thinking, effective communication, being a team player, strong work ethic, flexibility and resourcefulness.

There are some links that may help answer any questions you may have. <http://sde.ok.gov/sde/documents/2017-09-25/assessment-guidance>

If you have any additional questions please do not hesitate to call.

Respectfully,

Deanna Voegeli, Superintendent

Academic Team News

The high school academic team split games in a double-header match with Frederick on Tuesday, October 3rd.



Breakfast

Tues: Biscuits, sausage patties, gravy, fruit, juice & milk.

Wed.: Breakfast pizza, fruit, juice & milk

Thurs.: Donuts, fruit, juice & milk

Fri.: French toast sticks, sausage patties, fruit, juice & milk

Lunch

Tues.: Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, corn, gravy, hot rolls, mixed fruit, salad bar & milk

Wed.: Beef tips and rice, green beans, bread, peaches, salad bar & milk

Thurs.: Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, ranch style beans, peaches, salad bar & milk

Fri.: BBQ sandwiches, chips, baked beans, apple slices, salad bar & milk.

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Indiahoma Parents or Guardians of Indian Students

There will be a meeting to review assessment results, survey results, educational plans, applications, and the Indian Policy and Procedures Update (the draft of the IPP is on the quick links on the right hand side of the home page for your review prior to the meeting).

Both meetings will cover the same information so you can attend either meeting or both if you desire.

October 16, 2017 at 6:30 pm

October 17, 2017 at 11:00 am

Both meetings will be in the Superintendent's lobby

There will be two meetings in the hope that one of the scheduled times will accommodate parents' busy schedules.

Sports News The Lady Warrior elementary basketball team took third place in the Olustee-Eldorado tournament. The girls defeated the host team and Altus Christian Academy to take the title. Team pictured to right: Kylee Elliott, Jasmon Surman, Danyca Parrish, Emily Martinez, Tayah Kaudle Kaule, Gracie Webster & Sarah Whitman.



Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held

Monday, Oct. 16th: 3:30 - 7:00 p.m.

And Tuesday, Oct. 17th: 8:30 - 11:30 a.m.



Students of the Month for Oct. are: JH-Trace Thomason (left) HS-Cy Ulloa (right) W.O.W. card winner: Harmony Hall (far right)



Upcoming Events

Oct. 14: Cross country regional meet

Oct. 16: Elem. basketball @ Chatty, 4:30, bus leaves @ 3:00 p.m.

Oct. 16: Parent/teacher conferences 3:30 –7:00 p.m.

Oct. 16: Teacher professional development, **no Monday Camp.**

Oct. 17: Parent/teacher conferences 8:30 -11:30 a.m.-**no school**

Oct. 18-20: Fall break-no school

Oct. 21.: Cross country state meet @ Shawnee

Oct. 24: Return to school after fall break.

Oct. 27: School carnival

Indian Tacos begin in cafeteria: 5:30

Carnival begins: 6:00

Carnival king & queen coronation: 9:00

Raffle drawings to follow coronation.

Oct. 28: Elem. basketball tournament @ Chatty