

HOWL HIGHLIGHTS



Dear OESJ School Community,

As we head into the holiday season it is important to recognize the positive attributes that define our students. This month I have been amazed at the strong character that has been on display in the classroom and the community from a majority of them.

We have witnessed selfless acts of support for other students and supporting our community by donating time at the food pantry and baking goods for the Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

As we move into December we look to continue to build a school community that has respect for each other as well as empathy. We have students that are working with other students to improve their grades and strategies in the classroom through peer-tutoring.

We are also at the 1/3 mark for the school year and are looking to support any student who needs help. We have a Beyond the Bell program that is every Tuesday and Thursday until 4 for students looking for additional support from a teacher.

Student Activities

Student Award Assembly

One of our goals this year was to promote and acknowledge student accomplishments. In November we hosted our first quarterly Awards Assembly that recognized over a 100 students for high honor roll, perfect attendance, and character. Teachers selected students and wrote about the character traits that stood out this past quarter.

P-Tech visit for 8th Graders

Eighth-grade students had the opportunity to hear the presentation from the Gloversville P-Tech on the pathways programs that are offered for students looking to experience a non-traditional education where college and high school credit can be earned concurrently.

10th Grade BOCES Visit

The 10th grade class had the opportunity to participate in a Career and Tech Education presentation today with CTE principal Mike DMezza. The students were shown an overview of the different programs offered at CTE. On December 16th, the students will take a field trip to CTE to visit two of the programs they are most interested in.

Student Volunteers for the Food Pantry

Numerous sports teams, FFA, Honor Society, and Student Council supported our community by donating their time to the food pantry and also baked goods for the community Thanksgiving dinner at the Benefit Club!

Area All-State Recognition 2024

Through years of hardwork and dedication, Julia Elwood and Dezeray Sharkey were chosen to represent OESJ for Area All State this year. They have been attending NYSSMA for several years, always striving to achieve high scores. They spent countless hours practicing and working through frustration to shine during their performances, developing perseverance and character along the way. We are so proud of their accomplishments!

