

Welcome to Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School!

Upcoming Events @ OHCHS

October 9th - Picture Retake Day.

October 15th - Sophomores and Juniors will be taking the PSAT's.

October 23rd - Parent Teacher Conferences 11am - 7pm. Call the guidance office to make an appointment. 743-8914 Information about the new report card will also be available.

Standards Based Grading - Q. & A. FACT SHEET

Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School will have a new standards-based report card this year (2008-2009). It is similar to the SAD#17 elementary report card, except the high school will still be using letter grades to report academic achievement. It is the district belief that we will be able to more accurately report what students know and do not know. With this information we will be able to improve instruction, better meet student needs and increase student achievement.

Why is OHCHS moving to a standards-based reporting system?

This system provides more specific details on student progress and behavior. It also allows students to have learning expectations more clearly defined. Students will have lots of different opportunities to meet standards by demonstrating what they know and can do. Parents also will be able to see their child's progress in meeting different learning targets.

What are Learning Targets?

Learning targets tell you what a student is supposed to learn about in a course. These

targets have been selected for each course here, and they have been aligned with the Maine Learning Results as well as national and industry standards where appropriate.

What does it mean to demonstrate achievement of a learning target?

Let's say getting your driver's license is the learning target. In order to meet that learning target, a student must demonstrate all the knowledge and skills required by the DMV, such as: passing a written test, and demonstrating driving skills including parallel parking, observing all traffic signs, etc.

Just as in this example, a student at OHCHS must be able to demonstrate mastery of all the knowledge and skills within a course's learning target.

Will we still have letter grades?

Yes, OHCHS will still have letter grades that are familiar to students, parents and colleges.

How will grading be different?

Our goal is to be clear, consistent and fair about grading. The system we have used for over 100 years is not clear, not consistent and can change drastically from one course to another and from one teacher to another. A standards-based system demands common and consistent grading.

What are behaviors that support learning?

A student's behavior has an impact on how successful a student is in learning. We look for positive behaviors that will allow our young people to be more successful students. Some of these behaviors include:

- Respect and good attitude
- Responsibility and work ethic
- Attendance
- Homework
- Collaboration and cooperation

Just as with the elementary report card, behaviors eventually will be graded on the following scale:

- 4 Exceeds expectations
- 3 Meets expectations
- 2 Partially meets expectations
- 1 Does not meet expectations
- n/a Not addressed at this time

What happens if a student does not meet a learning target?

OHCHS has a variety of ways to help students meet learning targets. Examples include tutorials and learning labs during the school day, peer tutoring, after school support and summer school. We at OHCHS are committed to helping all students meet their learning targets.

What will the report card look like?

Join us during parent conferences on October 23rd to get a preview of the new report card. You are extremely important to your child's education. Please also feel free to call (743-8914) or e-mail tmoccia@sad17.k12.me.us at any time.

How can a parent know more?

The Parent Portal on Infinite Campus, our computer reporting system, allows parents and guardians immediate access to all of the assignments and scores students have earned in each learning target for each course. Instructions for accessing the Parent Portal are available on the SAD#17 district web site: <http://www.sad17.k12.me.us>. If you have limited computer access, try your local library. If you have any further questions, please contact Mike Dunn at the District Central Office.

Our Mission

OHCHS is committed to encouraging students to be responsible for their own actions and their own learning, and to honor integrity of mind, body and spirit

so that they may become contributing members of their community.

Serving over 1100 students in grades 9 - 12 from the eight towns of MSAD 17 as well as several surrounding towns, you can find us at:

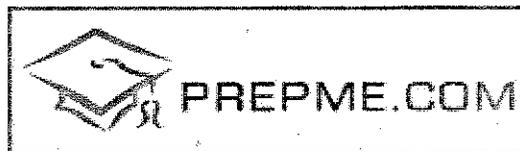
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Oxford Hills Technical School

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