



## Robertsville

RMS 4-H Club had three students who won a purple ribbon in the School Speech Competition and that placement allows them to advance to the county competition. Also, another 4-H student won 1st place overall for 7th grade in Anderson County for the Chopped Cooking Contest.

Robertsville Middle and Philadelphia Elementary united to complete a service project. During December GIVE Club members worked with kindergarten students from Philadelphia Elementary School to provide Christmas gifts to residents of Lakewood Place in Loudon. The younger students collected bottles of lotion, while the older students collected socks and candy canes. GIVE Club members created handmade cards and packaged the lotion in the socks. Some of the kindergarteners became Santa's helpers and delivered the gifts before Christmas. It was a great joint effort between the two schools.

## Jefferson

Members of the JMS Band attended auditions for the annual ETSBOA Jr. Band Clinic. All ten students who auditioned made the clinic with five in the Bronze Band, two in the Silver Band and three in the Gold Band.

Congratulations to the Atomic Eagles, JMS Master Builders, and the Radioactive Brix. The teams competed in the Marble City Qualifier at Hardin Valley High School on December 11, 2021. The Radioactive Brix received the 2nd Place Core Values trophy and 3rd Place Robot Performance Score. The JMS Master Builders received the 2nd Place Champions Trophy and they will move onto the East TN Regional Qualifier at TN Tech on February 12, 2022.

The JMS Spelling Bee was held on January 12. Fifty-five students participated, and the bee went 23 rounds. 6<sup>th</sup> Grader Vansh Patel won the competition with the word "compassion". 8<sup>th</sup> Grader Patrick Kerekes was the runner-up.

JMS 7<sup>th</sup> graders have been challenged to read 40 books this school year. This is a personal challenge with no tangible rewards attached-reading is the reward. They keep track of the titles they read in a Reader's Notebook. So far, they have collectively read 1782 books. The students have been challenged to step out of their comfort zones and read a genre that do not typically read. JMS staff are proud of their progress and love seeing books in their hands throughout the day.



## Jefferson (continued)

The JMS January Leadership in Action award is dedicated to the JMS PLC team that exemplifies collaboration, reflection, and an intentional approach to their curriculum to best meet the needs of students. Mr. John Smith and Mr. Alex Goldberg are educators who work together interdependently in collaborative teams to achieve common goals for which they are mutually accountable. This PLC is constantly trying out new innovative strategies to improve student learning. They set clear objectives for students, structure their PLC time accordingly, foster a true friendship with like-goals in mind, and focus on results. Additionally, their contributions frequently extend beyond their individual classrooms to include support for students in numerous after-school and extra-curricular activities or student organizations. John and Alex understand the importance of continuing to build the positive culture at JMS.

## ORHS

In 2018, Oak Ridge High School began a tradition of recognizing students that scored a 30 or higher on the ACT. A score of 30 or more represents the top 5% of students nationally. As of this date, ORHS has a total of 42 seniors who earned their place into the 30+ Club. These students' pictures will be displayed in the lobby of the ORHS and were recognized at the January 21 basketball game.

The Oak Ridge High School Technology Student Association (TSA) placed in 4 of the 5 competitions that they participated in at the East Tennessee TSA Regional Conference. The board game design team placed 3<sup>rd</sup>, the technology bowl team placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, one student placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in prepared speech and the children's stories team placed 1<sup>st</sup> during the regional competition. All teams who placed at regionals will go on to compete at state in April.

Fifteen clinical intern students and thirteen medical therapeutics were certified in CPR in December. Clinical intern students have resumed clinical rotations through the hospital and medical facilities in Oak Ridge. There were twenty-seven HOSA members who competed in various categories for the regional conference and sixteen of those members placed in the top five in HOSA's Regional competition. These sixteen students will progress to our Tennessee HOSA State Conference March 28-30 to compete in their event.

Eight ORHS students earned a Microsoft Word Certification in Computer Applications class.

The ORHS Cyber Security team placed 2nd in state competition.

Fourteen ORHS students earned their college credit for statistics through dual enrollment. 71% of students enrolled in statistics earned college credit.

# Good News



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## ORHS (continued)

In December, 76 ORHS students completed in the Statewide Dual Credit Challenge Exam in Precalculus with a pass rate of 63%. The state average passing rate is 19% on the challenge exams. In addition, 8 ORHS students completed the Statewide Dual Credit Exam in Statistics with a pass rate of 38%. Students who passed the challenge exam receive free college credit that can be applied to any Tennessee public postsecondary institution.

The Oak Ridge High School Band had 13 students earn chairs in the ETSBOA All East Senior Clinic. One student made All State on percussion for the third year in a row.

ORHS Social Studies teacher Beverly Bauman has been named the 2021 Tennessee Economics Teacher of the Year by the Tennessee Council on Economic and Free Enterprise Education at Middle Tennessee State University.