SINKING FUND MILLAGE PROPOSAL VOTE IS TUESDAY, MAY 8TH

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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Students, Staff, and Community Members,

I hope this letter finds each of you doing well and enjoying the Spring weather as we prepare for the final weeks of the school year. The last school day for students will be Friday, June 9, 2018, but there will be many learning opportunities this summer for students in all grade levels. If you are interested in summer learning for your child please contact a building principal before the last day of school. I would encourage all parents of Kindergarten through 3rd grade students to take part in their school's family reading night. This summer we are offering a powerful program to send up to 9 brand new books to your child during the summer months! The 'Kids Read Now' program asks parents to attend a spring literacy night to qualify for the program, and we hope you will join us to promote reading across our district this summer. Summer break begins Monday, June 11, 2018 and students will return to school on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. We look forward to seeing everyone in August for orientation (a building schedule will be released at a later date) and our annual Red and Gray Night on August 14.

Before summer arrives we have a very important event that will take place in May. On May 8th the Orchard View School District will be asking the community to consider a Sinking Fund Millage. The following are some Frequently Asked Questions and Answers about this proposal to assist community members in preparing for the election and to make an informed decision on Tuesday, May 8.

Q: What are the details of the sinking fund millage proposal?

A: Residents of the Orchard View School District will be asked to consider a sinking fund millage proposal of 1.00 mill for 10 years on Tuesday, May 8, 2018. If approved by voters, this millage will raise approximately $282,335 annually ($2,823,350 total over the 10 years).

Q: What is a sinking fund?

A: A sinking fund millage is a limited property tax used to fund major repairs and renovations in the school district. The tax is levied each year, and the revenue generated from this levy is used to make the most urgent and major repairs and improvements identified by the district. The district can access the money on-hand to pay for projects as they are completed, but because the school district hasn't borrowed for the projects, the school district does not have to pay interest on the money used.

Q: What is the wording of the millage proposal that I will see when I go to vote?

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Orchard View Schools, Muskegon County, Michigan, be increased by and the board of education be authorized to levy not to exceed 1 mill ($1.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2018 to 2027, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings, security improvements, and all other purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2018 is approximately $282,335?

A 'yes' vote of the above language means you are in support of this sinking fund proposal.

A 'no' vote of the above language means you are not in support of this sinking fund proposal.

Q: Why is the school district asking voters to consider a sinking fund?

A: Over the past ten years, cuts in state funding for public schools have delayed necessary repairs to buildings as the school district has worked hard to protect the learning that takes place in the classroom. A sinking fund would help keep general fund dollars in the classroom. Without the millage, any major facility repairs will be paid for with operating funds that would otherwise go to support educational programs for students.

Q: If approved by the voters, how would the sinking fund millage benefit the district?

A: If approved, the money raised through the sinking fund millage will:

- Enable Orchard View students to attend buildings with up-to-date roofs, heating and water systems, along with safer parking lot traffic flow.
- Ensure the school district's limited operating funds are available to support student learning.
- Help improve and extend the life of the school district's buildings and facilities through renovations and needed repairs, and by increasing the energy efficiency of buildings.

Q: How much money will the sinking fund millage cost homeowners?

A: With a 1.00 millage, there would be a tax of $1.00 per every $1,000 in taxable value of a home. For example, the owner of a home with a market value of $100,000 and a taxable value of $50,000 would be taxed $50 annually (or $4.17 monthly) for 10 years. See the chart below for additional detail:

Impact of 1.00 Mill Increase on Annual Property Tax Bills		
Market Value	**Taxable Value**	**Annual Tax Increase**
$50,000	$25,000	$25
$100,000	$50,000	$50
$150,000	$75,000	$75
$200,000	$100,000	$100

Q: Can the money from the sinking fund be used to pay employee salaries, wages and benefits?

A: No. The sinking fund is a specific and restricted fund that can only be used for construction, renovation and major repairs – not salaries, benefits or even routine maintenance. School districts are not allowed to use sinking fund dollars for operating expenses such as teacher, administrator or employee salaries or benefits, nor are they allowed to use them for other operating expenses such as textbooks, equipment updates, or replacement buses.

Q: How can taxpayers be assured the money will be spent as promised?

A: By law, the State of Michigan has requirements and restrictions for public school districts that fund capital enhancements and facility repairs through sinking fund millage levies. The law is very specific about what is considered an allowable use and what reporting and audit requirements are required. Not following these legal requirements carries strong penalties as well.

Q: How will the money be used?

A: Money raised from the sinking fund millage will fund the following projects:

- Parking lots at Cardinal Elementary and OVMS, along with altering the current traffic flow at OVMS
- Boiler replacements at Cardinal and OVMS
- Water and heating pipes at OVEE
- ADA compliant bleacher access at the football stadium, along with other related improvements
- Roof at Cardinal Elementary

Q: When will the work begin?

A: If voters approve the millage, taxpayers would see the first tax on their winter 2018 bill. The money is collected locally; it stays local and does not go through Lansing. Projects could begin as early as spring of 2019.

Q: How can I get more information about the sinking fund proposal?

A: Please email sinkingfund@orchardview.org or call 231-750-6666.

In closing, this request of our community comes after a two year facility study conducted by Tower Pinkster and Owen Ames Kimball to determine needs throughout the district. A list of the most critical needs was then determined before choosing what amount to ask the community for in May. I would welcome the opportunity to answer any questions you might have regarding the process we used and the needs list that has been developed. I am available at jim.nielsen@orchardview.org or 231.760-1300.

Yours in Education,

Jim Nielsen, Superintendent

"It's a Great Day to be a Cardinal"

COMMUNITY FORUM

Tuesday, April 17 @ 6PM

Cardinal Elementary

Please attend for more information or any questions.

Congratulations!

Chris Zitka, Lakes 8 Conference Winter Coach of the Year

Leroy Hackley, Regional Athletic Director of the Year.

SUPERHEROES

OVEE students exceeded their goal of reading 18,000 books for 2018 during March is Reading month. We celebrated with each class visiting the Super Hero Station and receiving a treat from the Super Hero's. The kids absolutely LOVED it!

RED and GRAY
August 14, 2018
@ 6:30PM

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SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

APRIL
16 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
17 Community Forum - Sinking Fund - Cardinal Elem. - 6 pm
20 HS Countywide assembly on marijuana addiction with DJ Hilson - 12:30 pm
21 Comm. Ed Flea Market @ OVHS - 8:30 am-2 pm
23 Senior Dinner - 6 pm
25-27 4th Grade Air Zoo Trips - 8:30 am - 2:55 pm
26/27 HS National Honor Society Chicago Trip

MAY
3 Great Start Readiness Art Show - NEE Gym - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
8 *Sinking Fund Vote*
10 Honors Banquet - HS - 6:00 pm
11 Cardinals Can Fundraiser
12 Prom - Century Club Ballroom - 8-11 pm
14-25 OV Arts Festival Weeks
16 5th Grade at Camp Pendalouan
16 MS Spring Concert - 7 pm
16 Great Start - Last Day
17 Honors Assembly - 9:15 am
17 HS Spring Concert - 7 pm
18 Cel, PBIS assembly - auditorium - 2:30 pm
21 4th Grade Arts Festival Concert - 5:30 pm
21-25 Cel BOGO Books Fair
23-25 5th Grade to GVSU
24 Adult Ed Graduation 7 pm
24 Cel Family Reading Night for 2nd & 3rd Grades 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm
28 Memorial Day
30 Senior Rehearsal, HS - 8:30 am

JUNE
2 Softball & Baseball Districts
3 Graduation - 2 pm
12 Senior Citizen Picnic - 12 pm CEd
18 Board Meeting - 6:30 pm

Save the date

VOTE MAY 8TH

OV ATHLETICS - SPRING & FALL 2018

OVHS BOY'S VARSITY GOLF

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/18/18	Wed	Jamboree 1	Home	3:00
04/19/18	Thurs	Lakeview	Away	9:00AM
04/25/18	Wed	Western MI Christian (Jamboree 2)	Away	3:00
04/27/18	Fri	Ludington	Away	9:30AM
04/30/18	Mon	Muskegon Heights (Jamboree 3)	Away	3:00
05/03/18	Thurs	Reeths-Puffer (GMAA Meet)	Away	TBA
05/09/18	Wed	Manistee (Jamboree 4)	Away	3:00
05/10/18	Thurs	Mona Shores (JV Tournament)	Away	8:30AM
05/11/18	Fri	Montague	Away	9:00AM
05/16/18	Wed	Muskegon Catholic (Jamboree 5)	Away	3:00
05/18/18	Fri	Cedar Springs (JV Tournament)	Away	9:00AM
05/21/18	Mon	Ludington (Jamboree 6)	Away	11:00AM

OVHS BOYS' VARSITY BASEBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/11/18	Wed	Covenant Christian	Away	4:30
04/12/18	Thurs	Shelby	Away	4:00
04/14/18	Sat	East Kentwood	Away	10:00AM
04/17/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	4:00
04/20/18	Fri	Manistee	Home	4:00
04/21/18	Sat	North Muskegon	Away	12:30
04/24/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Home	4:00
04/27/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Away	4:00
04/30/18	Mon	Otsego @ Davenport	Away	5:30
05/05/18	Sat	OPEN (GMAA Meet)	Home	TBA
05/08/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	4:00
05/11/18	Fri	Manistee	Away	4:00
05/15/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Away	4:00
05/18/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Home	4:00
05/21/18	Mon	Fruitport	Away	6:00
05/23/18	Wed	Montague	Home	4:00
05/25/18	Fri	Ravenna	Home	4:00
05/29/18	Tues	MHSAA Districts	Home	4:00
06/02/18	Sat	MHSAA Districts	Home	10:00AM
06/09/18	Sat	Gaylord (MHSAA Regional)	Away	10:00AM

OVHS BOYS' JV BASEBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/11/18	Wed	Covenant Christian	Home	4:00
04/12/18	Thurs	Shelby	Home	4:00
04/17/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	4:00
04/21/18	Sat	North Muskegon	Away	11:00AM
04/24/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Away	4:00
04/27/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Home	4:00
04/30/18	Mon	Oakridge	Home	4:00
05/02/18	Wed	Allendale	Home	4:00
05/04/18	Fri	Oakridge	Home	4:00
05/08/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	4:00
05/14/18	Mon	Muskegon Catholic	Home	4:00
05/18/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Away	4:00
05/21/18	Mon	Fruitport	Away	4:00
05/23/18	Wed	Montague	Away	4:00
05/25/18	Fri	Ravenna	Away	4:00

OVHS GIRLS VARSITY TRACK

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/10/18	Tues	Quad w/Shelby/FCS/ Ludington	Home	3:45
04/13/18	Fri	Newaygo	Away	2:30
04/17/18	Tues	Manistee	Home	3:45
04/24/18	Tues	Tri w/MCC & Grant	Home	3:45
04/27/18	Fri	Mason County Central (Scottville Optimist Invite)	Away	2:30
05/01/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Home	3:45
05/04/18	Fri	Montague (GMAA Meet)	Away	1:00
05/11/18	Fri	Conference Meet	Away	TBA
05/19/18	Sat	Allendale (MHSAA Regional)	Away	TBA
05/23/18	Wed	Reeths-Puffer (Meijer All Star Meet)	Away	3:30
06/02/18	Sat	Zeeland East (MHSAA State Final)	Away	TBA

OVHS CO-ED VARSITY TRACK

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/10/18	Tues	Quad w/Shelby/FCS/ Ludington	Home	3:45
04/13/18	Fri	Newaygo	Away	2:30
04/17/18	Tues	Manistee	Home	3:45
04/24/18	Tues	Tri w/MCC & Grant	Home	3:45
04/27/18	Fri	Mason County Central (Scottville Optimist Invite)	Away	2:30
05/01/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Home	3:45
05/04/18	Fri	Montague (GMAA Meet)	Away	1:00
05/11/18	Fri	Conference Meet	Away	TBA
05/19/18	Sat	Allendale (MHSAA Regional)	Away	TBA
05/23/18	Wed	Reeths-Puffer	Away	3:30

OVHS GIRLS' VARSITY SOCCER

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
03/26/18	Mon	Montague	Home	4:30
03/29/18	Thurs	Fruitport Calvary Christian	Away	5:00
04/11/18	Wed	Muskegon	Home	5:45
04/13/18	Fri	Fennville	Away	7:00
04/18/18	Wed	Muskegon Catholic	Away	5:30
04/19/18	Thurs	Oakridge	Away	6:00
04/21/18	Sat	North Muskegon	Away	11:00AM
04/25/18	Wed	Manistee	Home	5:45
04/27/18	Fri	Whitehall	Home	5:45
04/30/18	Mon	Ludington	Home	5:45
05/02/18	Wed	Western MI Christian	Away	6:00
05/07/18	Mon	Muskegon Catholic	Home	5:45
05/10/18	Thurs	Grant	Away	4:30
05/11/18	Fri	Lakeview	Home	5:45
05/14/18	Mon	Manistee	Away	5:45
05/16/18	Wed	Ludington	Away	6:45
05/18/18	Fri	Shelby	Away	4:00
05/21/18	Mon	Western MI Christian	Home	5:45
05/29/18	Tues	Whitehall (MHSAA Dist.)	Away	TBA

OVHS GIRLS' JV SOCCER

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
03/27/18	Tues	Fremont	Away	5:00
04/11/18	Wed	Muskegon	Home	4:00
04/13/18	Fri	Fennville	Away	5:30
04/16/18	Mon	Kent City	Away	4:30
04/19/18	Thurs	Oakridge	Away	4:30
04/23/18	Mon	Allendale	Away	5:45
04/25/18	Wed	Manistee	Home	4:00
04/27/18	Fri	Whitehall	Home	4:00
04/30/18	Mon	Ludington	Home	4:00
05/07/18	Mon	Oakridge	Home	4:00
05/11/18	Fri	Fremont	Home	4:00
04/14/18	Mon	Manistee	Away	4:00
05/14/18	Wed	Ludington	Away	5:00
05/29/18	Tues	Whitehall (MHSAA Dist.)	Away	4:00

OVHS GIRLS' VARSITY SOFTBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
03/28/18	Wed	Whitehall	Home	4:00
04/11/18	Wed	Convenant Christian	Away	4:30
04/12/18	Thurs	Shelby	Away	4:00
04/17/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	4:00
04/20/18	Fri	Manistee	Away	4:00
04/27/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Away	4:00
04/28/18	Sat	Otsego	Away	10:00AM
04/30/18	Mon	Otsego @ Davenport	Away	5:30
05/05/18	Sat	OPEN (GMAA Meet)	Open	TBA
05/08/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	4:00
04/11/18	Fri	Manistee	Away	4:00
05/14/18	Mon	East Kentwood	Away	4:30
05/18/18	Fri	Western MI Christian	Home	4:00
05/19/18	Sat	Fruitport	Away	9:00AM
05/23/18	Wed	Montague	Home	4:00
05/25/18	Fri	Ravenna	Home	4:00
05/29/18	Tues	MHSAA Districts	Home	4:00
06/02/18	Sat	MHSAA Districts	Home	10:00AM
06/09/18	Sat	Gaylor (MHSAA Dist.)	Away	4:00

OVHS GIRLS' VARSITY SOFTBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/11/18	Wed	Covenant Christian	Home	4:00
04/12/18	Thurs	Shelby	Home	4:00
04/14/18	Sat	Shelby	Away	9:00AM
04/17/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	4:00
04/20/18	Fri	Manistee	Away	4:00
04/28/18	Sat	Tri County	Away	9:00AM
05/08/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	4:00
05/11/18	Fri	Manistee	Home	4:00
05/14/18	Mon	East Kentwood	Away	4:30
05/23/18	Wed	Montague	Away	4:00
05/25/18	Fri	Ravenna	Away	4:00

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK (COED)

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
04/11/18	Wed	Tri w/MCC & Cedar Springs	Home	3:45
04/18/18	Wed	Manistee	Home	3:45
04/25/18	Wed	Muskegon Heights	Home	3:45
04/27/18	Fri	Reeths Puffer	Away	3:00
05/02/18	Wed	Ludington	Away	3:45
05/07/18	Mon	Conference Meet	Home	4:00

OVHS GIRLS' JV VOLLEYBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/28/18	Tues	Wellsprings Prep	Home	5:30
08/30/18	Thurs	Newaygo	Away	4:00
09/08/18	Sat	Allendale	Away	8:00AM
09/11/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	5:30
09/18/18	Tues	Manistee	Home	5:30
09/25/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Home	5:30
09/29/18	Sat	Hesperia	Away	9:00AM
10/02/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Away	5:30
10/04/18	Thurs	Potter's House	Away	4:30
10/06/18	Sat	Western MI Christian	Away	9:00AM
10/09/18	Tues	Muskegon Heights	Away	5:30
10/16/18	Tues	Oakridge	Home	5:30

OVHS GIRLS' VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/18/18	Sat	Allendale	Away	8:00AM
08/21/18	Tues	North Point Christian	Away	8:30AM
08/23/18	Thurs	Coopersville	Away	9:00AM
08/28/18	Tues	Wellspring Prep	Home	7:00
08/30/18	Thurs	Newaygo (Tri w/Kenowa)	Away	4:00
09/11/18	Tues	Ludington	Home	7:00
09/15/18	Sat	Oakridge	Away	9:00AM
09/18/18	Tues	Manistee	Home	7:00
09/25/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Home	7:00
09/29/18	Sat	Kent City	Away	9:00AM
10/02/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Away	7:00
10/04/18	Thurs	Potter's House	Away	5:30
10/09/18	Tues	Muskegon Heights	Away	7:00
10/13/18	Sat	Mona Shores (GMAA Tourn.)	Away	9:00AM
10/16/18	Tues	Oakridge	Home	7:00
10/20/18	Sat	Manistee (Conf. Tourn.)	Away	9:00AM

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NOTICE:

Orchard View Schools is now accepting applications for our Schools of Choice window. Applications will be accepted online and can be found on our website @ http://www.orchard-view.org/parent-links/schools-of-choice-information/.

Applications will be accepted until May 25 at Noon. Please call 231-760-1300 if you would like more information.

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OVHS BOYS' VARSITY SOCCER

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
09/10/18	Mon	Shelby	Away	5:45
09/11/18	Tues	Manistee	Away	5:45
09/13/18	Thurs	Ludington	Home	5:45
09/18/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Away	6:45
09/20/18	Thurs	Muskegon Catholic	Away	5:00
09/22/18	Sat	Hart	Away	8:00AM
09/27/18	Thurs	Manistee	Home	5:45
10/02/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	6:45
10/04/18	Thurs	Western MI Christian	Home	5:45
10/06/18	Sat	Fruitport	Away	TBA
10/09/18	Tues	Muskegon Catholic	Home	5:45

OVHS BOYS' JV SOCCER

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
09/10/18	Mon	Shelby	Away	4:00
09/11/18	Tues	Manistee	Away	4:00
09/13/18	Thurs	Ludington	Home	4:00
09/18/18	Tues	Western MI Christian	Away	5:00
09/27/18	Thurs	Manistee	Home	4:00
10/02/18	Tues	Ludington	Away	5:00
10/04/18	Thurs	Western MI Christian	Home	4:00
10/06/18	Sat	Fruitport	Away	TBA

OVHS VARSITY FOOTBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/23/18	Thurs	Spring Lake	Away	7:00
08/30/18	Thurs	Reeths-Puffer	Home	7:00
09/07/18	Fri	Muskegon Catholic	Home	7:00
09/14/18	Fri	Belding HS/MS	Home	7:00
09/21/18	Fri	Manistee	Away	7:00
09/28/18	Fri	Ludington	Away	7:00
10/05/18	Fri	Muskegon Heights	Home	1:00
10/21/18	Fri	Mason	Home	7:00
10/19/18	Fri	North Muskegon	Away	7:00

OVHS JV FOOTBALL

DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
08/22/18	Wed	Spring Lake	Home	6:00
08/29/18	Wed	Reeths-Puffer	Away	6:30
09/13/18	Thurs	Belding HS/MS	Away	6:30
09/20/18	Thurs	Manistee	Home	6:30
09/27/18	Thurs	Ludington	Home	6:30
10/04/18	Thurs	Muskegon Heights	Away	6:30
10/11/18	Thurs	Mason	Away	6:00
10/18/18	Thurs	North Muskegon	Home	6:30

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

for December 2017, January, February & March 2018

DECEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

MS: Melanie Coles

JANUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

OVEE: Brooklyn Terry; Cardinal Elem: Jaylen Alexander; MS: Anna Fowler; HS: Robertlee Carlean; OVCE: Peyton Vittone

FEBRUARY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

OVEE: Analee Peterson; Cardinal Elem: Darius Flowers; MS: Emma Peklar; HS: Michael Hyatt; OVCE: Alexandra Fairbanks

MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

OVEE: Kasey Sheperd; Cardinal Elem: Lilah Miller; MS: Nathan Sattory; HS: Hannah Pavlich; OVCE: Darnell Deonté Hannett

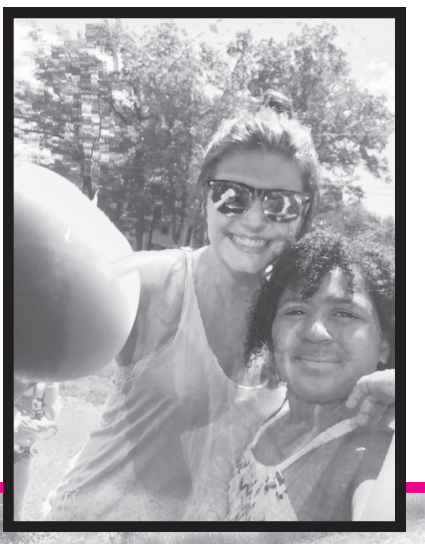
Congratulations

MARCH IS READING MONTH!

The class who read the most books during March is Reading month had the privilege of "Spidey Webbing" our Principal, Mr. Hamilton (who was a great sport about the surprise spray).

CARDINAL CAMP 2018

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR ORDINARY THIS IS NOT IT!



Costs are $135 per week/5 days
$95 per week/3 days or $40 per day
All prices include breakfast, snacks, lunch and field trips.
DHS subsidy accepted

Call 760-1966 for Registration information

ORCHARD VIEW
Community Education
A Division Of Orchard View Schools

Enrichment Classes
Spring, 2018

To register: Call 231-760-1350 or visit: orchardviewce.org

Dog Obedience

Instructors: Cindy Holmes and Kim Wood have been helping man's best friend experience socialization with other dogs, people, and distracting activities for many years. Using positive reinforcement your furry friend will learn to sit, get down, stay, come, leave it, take it, wait, eye contact, and loose-leash walking. Proof of vaccination is required at the first night's class. Please bring your furry friend on a solid leash (not retractable).
6 week class.

Location: OV Com Ed, 1765 Ada, Gym

Day-Dates	Time	Price
Mon, May 14-June 25, 2018	6-7p	$67
No Class May 28		

Therapy Dog Training

Instructors: Cindy Holmes & Kim Wood

Therapy dogs come in all sizes, ages, and breeds. The most important characteristic of a therapy dog is its temperament. A suitable therapy dog MUST be friendly, patient, confident, gentle, and at ease in unfamiliar situations. They must enjoy human contact and being handled by unfamiliar children and adults. If this sounds like your dog, come join us for this four week class focusing on canine-assisted pet therapy. Our class is designed to prepare you and your dog for this rewarding volunteer opportunity! Dogs need proof of vaccinations, possess basic obedience skills and be comfortable around other dogs. Classes scheduled on a needed basis. Call 231-760-1350

Location: OV Com Ed, 1765 Ada, Gym

Day-Dates	Time	Price
Mondays	7-8p	$45

Line Fusion Dance

Instructor: Amy Christian

Dance is a great form of exercise! You get to learn dances to all the popular music you hear on the radio and more. We dance to music of all genres including Latin, Hip Hop, The Waltz, Swing, Pop, Country, and even the Irish Jig. Beginner and Improver sessions available. No partners needed.

Location: OVEE, Gym, 2820 MacArthur Rd

Day-Dates	Time	Price
Improver: Tues through June 5	6-7pm	$5
Beginner: Tues through June 5	7-8pm	$5
No Registration Required.		**Drop In Fee**

Karate and Self Defense for Families

Instructor: Fred Reinecke

A class designed to help people of all ages learn the Martial Art of karate and karate based self defense. An activity and exercise program that all family members can benefit from. Open to both individuals and families The benefits of karate are increased physical fitness, self confidence, and self discipline. Some additional subject for the students will include: Stranger Danger and Bully Busters for children, and EZ self defense for adults.

Location: OV Card El 2310 Marquette Rd, Parent Place

Day-Dates	Time	Price
Tues & Thurs May	6:30-8p	See Below

Price: Individuals $45 per Calendar Month

Families $45 for 1st member and $5 each additional

Each Session is by the Calendar Month through May

CURRICULUM CORNER

by Simeon Frang

This spring we are planning some special reading nights for our Kindergarden through 3rd Grade students! Parents, we're asking you to join us to learn about a great program called Kids Read Now! Those who join will receive 3 free books for their students, with the opportunity for up to 6 more FREE BOOKS this summer! Keep your eye peeled for a note from either the Early Elementary or Cardinal Elementary with more details!

"What School Could be"

I had the good fortune of being invited to present at a national conference on the topic of Deeper Learning. Deeper learning is all about creating the conditions where children learn best; with an orientation to creating, doing and making, as opposed to sitting getting and forgetting. So much of what was shared there can also be found in this book by Ted Dintersmith, What School Could Be.

Below are a series of excerpts from Dintesmith arranged to start a conversation. I'd love to hear your thoughts about the quality of education your child is getting in Orchard View, or your experiences in school. Feel free to connect with me at: simeon.frang@orchardview.org or on Twitter at @frangsi, or give me a call at 760-1306. Let's create the culture in schools our students and teachers deserve!

"A few years ago, I connected some dots. Machine intelligence is racing ahead, wiping out millions of routine jobs as it reshapes the competencies needed to thrive. Our education system is stuck in time, training students for a world that no longer exists. Absent profound change in our schools, adults will keep piling up on life's sidelines, jeopardizing the survival of civil society. While not pre-ordained, this is where America is headed. Yet few understand."

"The poverty cycle will never stop unless we reimagine what we do with our kids in school."

"Our national K-12 mantra is 'college and career ready', but the phrase is misleading. In reality, schools prepare students for their college application, not college."

For example, many struggle with basic scientific concepts, such as the one illustrated below:

"Many top private schools have dropped AP to offer students deeper learning experiences, yet AP still pervades in America's mainstream high schools."

"Should our kids study history facts, or learn to think like a historian? Memorize science definitions, or learn to think like a scientist? Answer canned questions about a poem, or learn to think like an author? Drill on math micro tasks, or learn to think like a creative mathematician? Every school claims to teach students to think, but if you do."

"I realized something was wrong when my child had to memorize all 50 state capitals… when calculus can be completed by Photomath (https://photomath.net) which can solve any problem on your phone, USING YOUR CAMERA (italics mine).

Here are a few sobering statistical facts:

"2/3 of prison inmates are high school dropouts."
"2.8 million adults age 65 or older are still paying off their college loans."
1/3 of our kids in elite colleges are on anti-depressants

I think it's time to start listening to our students and teachers and step back to answer some tough questions"

"Is the purpose of high school to develop human potential or to rank it?"
"When you think back on your school years, what experiences made you the person you are today?"
"When you think of outstanding teachers you had, what were their strengths?"

I'd invite you to ask your child, or your child's teacher the following questions, and share your learning with me:

"Do you feel safe at school?"
"Is there someone in charge you can talk to when you have a concern?"
"Do you have pride in your school?"
"Would you recommend your school to a friend at a different school?"
"Is the work you are assigned at school meaningful?"
"Do you look forward to coming to school each day?"

Senior Easter Dinner

The seniors enjoyed a wonderful ham dinner with a special visit from the Easter Bunny. He handed out special treats to all.

HUGE ANNUAL ORCHARD VIEW COMMUNITY ED

FLEA MARKET/EXPO

SATURDAY APRIL 21, 2018

8:30AM—2:00PM

ORCHARD VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

16 N. QUARTERLINE RD

COME AND SEE ALL THE GREAT DEALS!!!!

If you are interested in renting a booth for $15.00 call 231-760-1350 and get an application.

Mature Memos

Spring is here, the flowers are blooming and so are the fun times at the Orchard View Senior Center.

We are excited to announce that we are an Agewell meal site. Meals are served on Mondays and Fridays. Reservations need to be made in advance. Please call 760-1493 for more information.

Our Annual Flea Market and Expo will be held on April 21, 2018 at Orchard View High School from 8:30 am to 2:00pm. Come out and find some great treasures!

One new addition to the senior center is that we are traveling to different areas in Muskegon County. We have visited Nelson Farm Market, took a ride to view the beautiful Christmas lights and had a wonderful time at the Muskegon Art Museum. We are offering more trips this spring. Please call the office for a schedule of our trips.

We have had a great couple of months at our Gather Together Dinner and Dances. December we hosted our First DTE Energy Holiday Dinner. In February we had a Valentine's dinner. We crowned a new King and Queen, Robert and Alice! March saw us celebrating St. Patrick's Day in style with sausage and sauerkraut. April brought the Easter Bunny and a ham dinner.

Our many thanks go out to the AARP volunteers for another successful tax season. We so appreciate this service that we can provide to our seniors!

Coming up in May will be our last dinner dance. Come join us for an evening of good food, good music and good friends.

Our annual picnic follows in June 12, 2018 at the Orchard View Community Education Center. Tickets are $4.00 and will be available on May 1, 2018 in the Community Education Office.

Our regular activities continue and include bingo, euchre, bridge and woodcarving. A fun time is had by all - come and join us!

Spring sports are in full swing. Stop by at the Orchard View Community Education Center for a pass that will gain you free entrance to all OV spring sporting events.
A full schedule of our Senior Events are available-call us at 760-1493 to receive a newsletter or visit our website at www. Orchardviewce.org.

Happy Spring!
Jenni Bowen
Senior Director

Senior Valentine Dance

This years' King is Robert Johnson and the Queen is Alice Dial. Robert and Alice were crowned on February 13, 2018. They were nominated by the other seniors at the dance and enjoyed dancing to music provided by Jack Videtich.

POLAR PLUNGE

Orchard View has participated in raising money for Special Olympics by participating in the Muskegon's Polar Plunge the last few years. The money earned helps over 23,000 athletes. On the day of the plunge we all meet, socialize, have auctions, lunch and meet some of the athletes. Then we take the plunge in the ICY COLD WATER of Muskegon Lake. WE LOVE IT!! Looking forward to doing it again next year!!

Pictured: Shannon DeLora, Glenn Spaulding, Katrina Groeller, Brielle Martin, Alicia Tumele, Hallie Balcom and Kate Bultema

SINKING FUND INITIATIVE

Save The Date

Vote Tuesday, May 8, 2018

OVHS Bowling Coastal Conference Champions!

Brandon Lindsley, Brady Bowen, Justin Wolfiss, Noah Hall, Dakota Sibley and Don Johnson

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LOVE LETTERS

What do I think about Orchard View over the years?

Orchard View provides a stable, welcoming environment for all students that attend.

That is what I would tell everyone, because I have always felt welcomed and safe as a student here. Our students come from a variety of experiences and backgrounds, but this district has a way of unifying attitudes and making us become one school with one focus, learning. I would say that as a Cardinal at O.V. I have learned many important lessons (i.e., dealing with differences, compassion, friendliness, and how to be strong when I felt the weakest) and my hope is that Orchard View does the same for future generations of Cardinals.

Orchard View Schools also has given me numerous opportunities to learn about things that are important to me, and I have been able to do so many things that I will remember always. For example, being enrolled in this school gave me the opportunity to be in Early College which is a program that allows high school students to graduate a year later with their Associates degree along with their diploma. I was able to ride the "magic carpet" in the marching bands performance.

The best part of O.V. is its wonderful staff. The staff at Orchard View is extremely caring and helpful whenever someone has a need. They sometimes care more than the people they are trying to help. You could say that they would bend over backwards to help! In my time at this school, there has been one specific teacher who has been a huge part of my support system. He has been there through the many rough times I have encountered either at school, or outside of it. He has made my last year at school considerably less stressful than it could have been. That is the thing about O.V., the staff is as diverse as the students, and there is a staff member that can connect with every student, and they do! I have friends who look forward to Mondays so they can come to school and share their weekend with their teacher. I think that says a lot about the type of staff we have at our school.

Another huge experience Orchard View has afforded me is being a part of amazing band. Having the opportunity to be a part of a band family has had a huge impact on my life, and has made me more focused and determinded. It provides a sense of security and allows students to develop long-term friendships.

Even though there can be many rough times at Orchard View, the good definitely outweighs the bad. It has been an incredible experience to be a part of the Cardinal family, and one that will live with me always in my memories.

Thank you,
Kayla Thompson

My O.V. Luv Letter

By Sara Kortman

I have lived my whole life as a Cardinal, and I would not have it any other way. I would like to thank this school for all it has taught me, not only has this school taught me academically, it has also taught me life lessons.

Not only are we taught in a beautiful school, we are also taught by an incredible staff. A group of people who are dedicated and caring. I wouldn't trade my experience at Orchard View for anything, or for any other school. I am a proud Cardinal!

While at O.V. we are lucky to have many opportunities that don't exist at other schools. We are able to take college classes at M.C.C., take online classes that aren't available at our school, and courses at the tech center to prepare us for our futures.

When asked which school I attend, I say with PRIDE, "I'm an Orchard View student", and soon I will be able to say alumni.

School Calendar 2018-2019

August 29	All Staff Orientation – Welcome Back
September 3	Labor Day Holiday
September 4	First Day of School
September 19	Early Release K-12
September 2	Early Release K-12
October 3	Early Release K-12
October 10	Early Release K-12
October 10	High School Conferences
October 17	Early Release K-12
October 24	Early Release K-12
October 31	Early Release K-12
November 7	Early Release High School
November 7-9	Early Release K-8 Conferences
November 14	Early Release K-12
November 21-23	Thanksgiving Break
November 28	Early Release K-12
December 21	Early Release K-12
December 24 – January 2	Christmas Break
January 3	School Resumes
January 9	Early Release K-12
January 16	Early Release K-12
January 17 & 18	Early Release High School – Exams
January 23	Early Release K-12
January 30	Early Release K-12
February 6	Early Release K-12
February 13	Early Release K-12
February 15 & 18	Mid Winter
February 20	Early Release K-12
February 27	Early Release K-12
March 6	High School Early Release – Conferences
March 13	Early Release K-12
March 20	Early Release K-12
March 27	Early Release High School
March 27 & 28	K-8 Early Release – Conferences
March 29	Early Release K-12
April 1 – 5	Spring Break
May 24	Early Release K-12
May 27	Memorial Day
June 6 & 7	Early Release K-12 High School Exams