



Good News

- Daniel Graham (Oklahoma City) has been admitted to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Wake Forest University, Stanford University, and Northwestern University – at Northwestern he has been accepted into the Integrated Science Program;
- Jordan Yozzo (Tulsa) has been offered a \$9,000 per year merit scholarship to Arizona State University and, as a National Merit Finalist, the scholarship would be increased to \$21,500 per year by naming ASU as her first choice. Jordan has also been admitted to Vanderbilt University;
- Lucy Liu (Edmond) has been awarded a Presidential Scholarship of \$40,000 by Baylor University, and a \$2,000 University Scholars Award from the University of Oklahoma. Lucy has also been admitted to Tulsa University, the University of California at Berkeley, the University of Chicago, George Washington University, and Wellesley College;
- Otis Chodosh (Edmond) has been admitted to the University of Chicago and to the University of California at Berkeley;
- Rachel Weng (Edmond) has been admitted to the University of Chicago;
- Charles Hartman (Sallisaw) and Afsaneh Talai (Norman) have been accepted by Carnegie Mellon University; Afsaneh has also been admitted to Northwestern University;
- Ryan Fowler (Glenpool) has been admitted to Clemson University;
- Camilla Rollins (Cashion) has received her acceptance notice from Florida State University;
- Stefany Acosta-Torres (Ardmore) has been admitted to Wellesley College;
- Jonathan Francis (Pocola) has been accepted by the University of Virginia;
- Katie Southard (Ponca City) has been admitted to the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

OSSM Still Tops in National Math Competition

After three exams in the Continental Mathematics League, Coaches Chengde Feng and Yunhua Feng have announced that OSSM is listed in the top ten schools nationally. And, Haofei Wei (Broken Arrow, '07) is one of the National Student Leaders for this year with a score of 30 points. He is among only 40 students so listed.

PAOSSM

(www.paossm.org)

Dear Parents:

At our next PAOSSM meeting on Monday, April 17th, we will be electing officers for the 2006-2007 year. As you can see we still need parents to fill four positions. Please step forward and do your part in helping your students through PAOSSM.

The positions to be filled are:

- Presidents
- Vice-Presidents/Pledges
- Events Coordinator
- Memorabilia Coordinator

Connie Pruitt has volunteered to run for secretary; Adrienne Collins for treasurer.

If you are interested or would like to know more about the positions listed above, please contact us.

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Bina & Gopal Ranebenur
Co-Presidents

Dr. Fazlur Rahman congratulates Ilya Sluch (Stillwater, '06) and Daniel Graham (Oklahoma City, '06) for winning the first round of the **Chemistry Olympiad**. The second round exam will be held at Oklahoma Baptist University on Saturday, April 22, after which 20 students will be selected for the United States Olympiad Team, five of whom will compete this summer in Seoul, Korea. Let's join him in wishing the young men good luck in their quest to win a place on the team.

ATTENTION, PLEASE

Class (group) pictures will be taken next Wednesday afternoon, April 12. In approximately two weeks Karen Moore Studios will have the photos available for purchase for \$12.00 each.

Happy Birthday to:

Dr. Xifan Liu	April 14
Charles Hartman	April 17



Counselor's Corner

Senior Parents:

Students must notify each college or university that offered admission whether they are accepting or rejecting the offer. This notification should be made as soon as possible, but no later than May 1. Colleges have the right to withdraw an offer of admission if notification is not received on time. Students should confirm their intention to enroll and submit a deposit to only one college or university.

Senator Bernice Shedrick Library Dedicated

Last Friday afternoon, students and faculty, some parents and alumni, and many honored guests gathered for the dedication of the OSSM Senator Bernice Shedrick Library. The former senator from Stillwater was joined by Ann Way, representing the Sarkeys Foundation, to cut the blue ribbon. They were joined by members of the Mozelle Richardson Family who generously donated much of the artwork and many of the precious volumes students enjoy in the building. Also joining in the ribbon cutting was Sarah Hogan, the first chairman of the OSSM Foundation Board of Trustees and her husband, Dan, and Judy Richardson who represented another generous donor, the late Angie Hester.

Thank you to all the students (too many to mention here) who helped greet guests, conduct tours, and serve punch, and especially to Eric Beaver (Checotah, '06) who took the podium to eloquently thank donors on behalf of OSSM students, and to trumpeters Raquel Phillips (Wagoner, '06), Brent Luke (Shawnee, '06), Jason Tolbert (Howe, '07), and Haofei Wei (Broken Arrow, '07) who played a salute to herald the cutting of the ribbon.

Thank you to . . .

. . . Joshua Choi (Tulsa '07) and Haofei Wei (Broken Arrow, '07) for teaching math to some 6th graders this past week;

. . . and to Sarah Copley (Marlow, '06), Morgan Boes (Owasso, '06), Christian Clanton (Moore, '06), Chris Smith (Claremore, '07), and Rachel Cannon (Braman, '07) for giving those 6th graders a tour;

. . . and to Eric Hudgins (Pocola, '07), Sebastain Gould (Kingston, '07), and Cameron Goforth (Guthrie, '07) for allowing students to shadow them this week.

Nozlee Samadzadeh's Research Up for National Award

Congratulations to Nozlee Samadzadeh (Stillwater, '06) and her mentor, Professor Charlie Dillard. Nozlee's mentorship research "*SIORSS: Simulation of an Influenza Outbreak in a Residential School Setting*" has been selected as one of 60 regional winners out of nearly 700 entries submitted to the Young Epidemiologist Scholars (YES) competition. YES is supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the College Board.

Nozlee and Professor Dillard developed a Java program that uses computer simulation to model OSSM students' daily activities. The study looks at the control of an influenza outbreak and demonstrates the value of vaccination, group size limitation, and isolation of the infected students in controlling an influenza outbreak.

Nozlee will be traveling to Washington DC, April 21-24, to present her research results in front of a panel of judges. She will be competing for several scholarships valued up to \$50,000. Two national winners will each receive a \$50,000 college scholarship, and the other students will receive scholarships ranging from \$2,000 - \$35,000. Nozlee has already won a \$2,000 scholarship for her selection as one of the regional winners.

REMINDER

We need your permission for your student to donate blood during the *Spring Blood Drive next Tuesday*. The student should bring a permission form at the time of the donation, or you may phone or email your permission to Donna Roberts (405/522-7806 or droberts@ossm.edu).

Congratulations to the March Students of the Month:

Toby McConnell (Wellston, '07)

Liang Zhang (Edmond, '07)

Wyatt Sharber (Wynnewood, '07)

Cassi Pinion (Ardmore, '07)

Katie Southard (Ponca City, '06)

Claire Manning (Oklahoma City, '07)

Eye on Sports

Come join us for the Student/Faculty Volleyball Game and the Junior/Senior Volley Ball Game on Friday, April 28. Students and faculty will play at 4:45 followed by the juniors vs. seniors.