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Be Mellow, Wear Yellow in support of Mental Health!

In support of mental health awareness and support, wear yellow this Wednesday in support of breaking the stigma. Operation: YELLOW is hosting a photo booth from 5:00PM to 7:30PM in the Great Hall to take photos to show support!

Volleyball a real OSSM hit!

by Ariana Jaffery

Every school has a sport that is beloved by the majority of the student body. On the east coast, it's lacrosse. For many schools in Oklahoma it is Football. At OSSM, it is volleyball.

Last weekend, on September 25th, OSSM had its first volleyball tournament of the year. As always, the tournament was hosted by the OSSM volleyball club.



PAOSSM Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Trip

The OSSM Parent's Association is planning a trip for all students to see the musical performance of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" at the Oklahoma City Civic Center on October 31. In previous years, all students would attend this event. This year, however, the Civic Center is requiring all visitors to be fully vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus or get a negative COVID-19 PCR.

Please see the link for more information: [Patron Health & Safety Information | OKCBroadway.com](#)



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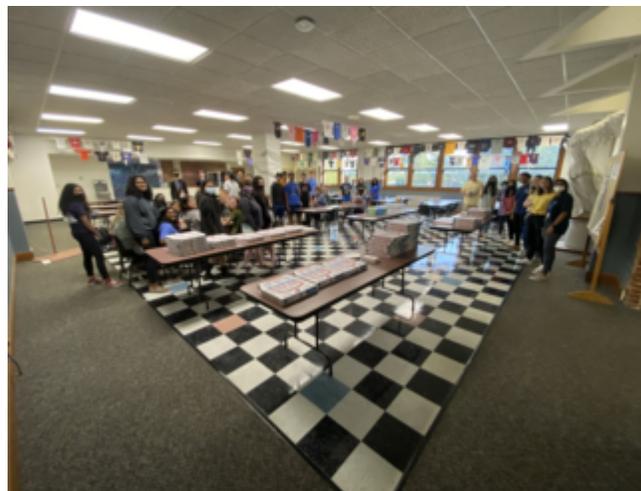
The tournament began roughly around 12:00pm and lasted until almost 6:00pm, almost an hour longer than it was supposed to. There were five teams of all OSSM students that participated.

One highlight of the event was a particular moment when the ball barely went over the net and bounced right off of student Nancy Wang's head, going back over and scoring a point. "It was so funny, we had to take a one-minute time out," student Helen Phung said.

Student Rohan Aggarwal say one of the most memorable moments was the play that put his team into the finals by spiking the ball right between student Dante Washington and Charles Liu.

Overall, it seems that students enjoyed the first tournament of the year and are looking forward to those upcoming.

Student Ambassadors First Meeting



There's a new resource page for OSSM students that includes test registrations, archives of the OWL newsletter, the handbook, etc. under Student Resources and Handbook on the OSSM website.

Have a Passion for Writing?

Here's your chance to both pursue your passion and earn service hours. The communications department needs students to write for this newsletter, the website, the OKC Friday newspaper and social media.

We can also use photographers and artists!

If you're interested, contact Ms. Waters at linda.waters@ossm.edu or Anusha Fathepure at anusha.fathepure@ossm.edu.

by Aditi Gali

Student Ambassadors is a club where students take the initiative and leadership roles to represent OSSM in a positive light. The club also hosts several in-school social events for everyone to have fun during stressful moments.

Their first official meeting took place this Sunday on September 26, 2021. During the meeting, leaders Adriauna Blackburn, Kristine Thomas, Sarah Kim, Katie Cusack, Sara Varghese, Jane Gou, and Rohan Aggarwal discussed the various committees club members could partake in. They all emphasized the importance of "trying to build a presence," as Jane stated, to bring students from across Oklahoma towards better opportunities during their high school life.

Additionally, the leaders emphasized the importance of having a more welcoming and comfortable environment when students first arrive at a new boarding school.

OSSM Students Elected to OMRF Teen Leaders

by Anusha Fathepure

Congratulations to Stephanie K. and Kareem R. for being named to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation's (OMRF) ninth class of Teen Leaders. They are two of 53 in this program, which provides tools for them to become advocates for and to improve human health.

Kareem Raimi was excited for all the various opportunities. He said, "I am more than thrilled to be a part of the OMRF Teen Leader board, and I look forward

to getting involved in various communities. Philanthropy is very important to me, so I am glad that OMRF Teen leadership provides a platform where I can advocate improving human health."

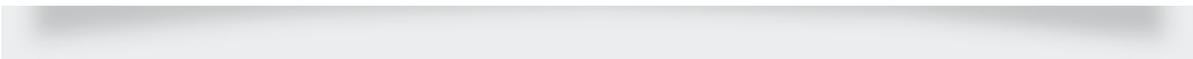
Stephanie Kim shared the sentiment, eager to grow "as a student, leader, and as a person." She said "Through the OMRF Teen Leader Board, I hope to gain a deeper understanding of the nonprofit sector and I'm especially thrilled to learn more about the latest in biomedical research. I hope to grow from my experience in the OMRF Teen Leader Board and I hope to use that experience in the future in order to become the best version of me that others can look up to and rely on."



Kareem Raimi



Stephanie Kim



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