

# OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL

## THE TITAN TIMES

### ADMINISTRATION

**Christy Gorberg**  
*Principal*

**Jodi Blevins**  
*Assistant Principal*

**Brad Shreffler**  
*Assistant Principal*

**Steven Chiorazzi**  
*Assistant Principal*

**Karen Nelthropp**  
*Assistant Principal*

**Mark Kelley**  
*Dean-9th and 10th Grade*

**Travis Gabriel**  
*Dean-11th and 12th Grade*

**Christine Ebersbach**  
*Dean-Attendance*

**Russell Wambles**  
*Athletic Director*



olympiahs.ocps.net



Olympia.OCPS



olympia\_ocps

### A Message from The Principal

Time has flown by this year, and we are entering the last quarter with our seniors. At Olympia, we finish the year strong and treasure these final months with our soon to be graduates.

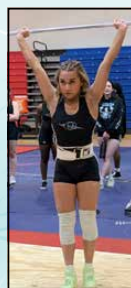
This time of year brings about many exciting events where seniors make lifetime memories. Grad Bash will take place on April 13th, with senior awards following on April 18. Prom will take place on April 20th. While we have other time-honored traditional activities coming up, we wanted to take a moment and highlight these main events.

With pride, we announce our National Merit Scholars this year. Emmet Bradford and Bryce Ownby both received this prestigious award.



We also want to celebrate our top ten academic achievers.

Pictured here are: Madden Bourst, Claire Dvorak, Emmett Bradford, Charlie Murr, Paige Huffman, Matthew Sheldon, Amil Abdula, Connor Martin, Arturo Hurtado Rodriguez, and Bryce Ownby. All ten students have top GPAs over 5.0.



This season, Paula Mogollon placed fifth in the state of Florida for girls' weightlifting. This is her second year lifting with Olympia, and she belongs to the USA Weightlifting Team. We look forward to seeing her accomplishments next year!

Our newsletter features our other student accomplishments and accolades for this quarter. We are proud to share these features with you.

We also want to highlight our upcoming testing dates. These dates are subject to change but include:

- 3/4 . . . . . PERT (Student sign-up on the canvas student body page)
- 3/6-3/8 . . . . . PMAs for Bio and US History (Block Schedule)
- 3/26 . . . . . ACT NCR (For 11th and 12th grade missing grad requirements)
- 4/2 . . . . . BEST Writing and SAT School Day (All Juniors)
- 4/16 . . . . . ACT School Day (All Juniors)
- 4/22-4/26 . . . . . Senior CFEs (Block Schedule)

We hope you enjoy reading more of Olympia's accomplishments in the pages to follow. As always, thank you for your support!

Sincerely,  
Christy Gorberg  
Principal

# GO TITANS!



## Scenes from our Glow in the Dark Pep Rally



# Olympia's Martin Luther King Jr Humanitarian

Story by Jeryn James

Monday, February 15th the annual MLK parade was held to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. King. One special Titan Andresly Sojo Garcia who was honored at the parade and shared her experience. MLK Youth Humanitarians are youth that exemplify ideals embraced by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. through character and leadership (City of Orlando). 27 members are selected from each of the OCPS high schools as student members.

Sojo Garcia felt the award honored the legacy of MLK and brought the Orlando community together. "I got to see the community come out and it was an overwhelming amount of people and all. I love how lots of people showed and were able to perform and give to the community," said Sojo Garcia.



# Super Scholar

Story by Bernisha Cherisier

With college decisions starting to roll in, it means super scholar season is right behind. Super scholars are the graduating seniors who make it into the top 20 schools in the nation and Olympia is very proud to have some of our own! Claire Dvorak, a 2024 senior, president of the Key Club, founder of the Rocketry club, and vice president of Shutter Society is the first to be accepted into Dartmouth this year.

"It's been my dream school for years - I am a super outdoorsy person, and Dartmouth is in the middle of nowhere in the mountains of New Hampshire. I went to the campus and just fell in love with it. Also, my dad made a random throwaway comment when I was 7 saying he thought I'd like it there, and I guess it kind of just stuck with me from then [on]," Dvorak said.

www.windpeds.com

## Windermere Pediatrics

For all Your Growing Needs!

Ginny L. Guyton, M.D.  
Denise Serafin, M.D. 407-297-0080 Ph  
Larissa Negron, M.D. 407-295-3080 Fax  
Afra Ali, M.D.  
Amber Eastwood, ARNP  
Ana Souto, ARNP

Debbie Franks  
Office Manager

7635 Ashley Park Court • Suite 501  
Orlando, FL 32835

Since 1988  
Veg & Non-Veg 407-352-7887

## New Punjab INDIAN Restaurant

Buy One Dinner Entree  
Get 2nd Dinner for 20% OFF  
(With Coupon - Not valid on Christmas holidays)  
Not valid with any other offers

7451 International Dr. Orlando, FL 32819 (Next to O'Shucks)

**pediatrix**  
ENT OF ORLANDO

Dana Broussard-Perry, MD  
Board Certified in Allergy and Immunology  
pediatrics and adults

1507 S. Hiwassee Rd, Ste 103 Ph: (407) 876-1009  
Orlando, FL 32835 Fax: (407) 876-6742

# Culinary Wins



Hospitality takes first place



Hospitality won 3rd place in our tri-district (Orange, Osceola, and Seminole) competition last month (Jan 19th)




1st place!



Hospitality students gave the welcome speech



The Titan Times • Issue #2  
**March 2024**  
 Published Six Times Per Year  
**Olympia High School**  
 Orange County Public Schools  
 P.O. Box 271  
 Orlando, FL 32802-0271



*Where beautiful smiles come from!*

**SPECIALIZING IN:**  
 Invisalign • \*In-Ovation C- Clear Braces  
 \*SPEED System- Self Ligating Metal Braces  
*Complimentary Consultation • 2nd Opinions Welcomed*  
 – SPEED System BRACES - \$3995.00 –

**Robert T. Ogden, D.D.S.**  
 1805 Maguire Rd • Windermere, FL 34786  
 407-909-3003  
[www.OgdenOrtho.com](http://www.OgdenOrtho.com)



Serving Dr. Phillips for over 30 years!

**Oral & Facial Surgery Center**

**407-352-6301**

- IV Sedation
- Wisdom Teeth
- Extractions
- Bone Grafting
- Dental Implants

Orlando  
 7932 W. Sand Lake Rd.  
 #109  
 Orlando, FL 32819



[oralfacsurg.com](http://oralfacsurg.com)

*Hablamos Español*





SERVICE ABOVE SELF

Interact is a service club for youth aged 12-18, offering community projects, fun activities, and global awareness. Contact [president@windmererrotary.org](mailto:president@windmererrotary.org) for more information.

[WWW.WINDMEREROTARY.ORG](http://WWW.WINDMEREROTARY.ORG)

[https://www.instagram.com/titans\\_interact/](https://www.instagram.com/titans_interact/)

# Student Work Featured in Orlando Museum of Art

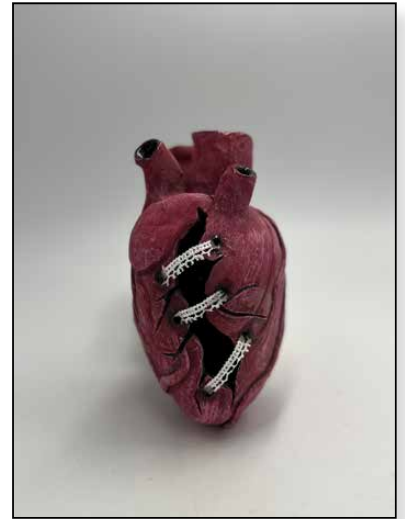
Congratulations to the students who had work featured in the Orlando Museum of Art Student Exhibit

Seniors Artwork will be on display in the OCPS Orlando Museum of Art Student exhibit-

**January thru April 2024**



Bunny Soup Ceramics -  
Alexa Nethercutt



Shattered (Heart)  
Ceramics- Raffaella Coppa



Pottery Photography-  
Aylin Sandybayeva



Aspiring Artist Painting -  
Anisa Ali



407-986-8622

*Dee's*  
HEALTHY LIVING SOLUTIONS

Health Coaching Packages  
Pantry Makeovers | Personal Shopper  
Plant-Based Eating Guides  
Cooking Classes & Webinars

deeshls.com **IT'S NOT A DIET, IT'S A LIFESTYLE**

**BUYING? SELLING? RENTING? CALL TODAY!**

**PAUL MCGARIGAL**  
*The Real Estate Coach*  
Specializing in **Southwest Orlando**

**407-761-1428**


**RE/MAX** *Over 35 years of real estate experience!*

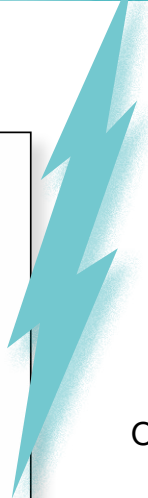
Please Visit:  
[PaulMcGarigal.com](http://PaulMcGarigal.com)  
[RentNowBuyLater.com](http://RentNowBuyLater.com)  
[OrlandoHomeRentals.com](http://OrlandoHomeRentals.com)



**2023/2024 Real World Design Challenge  
State Champion  
Governor's Award**

Congratulations on Winning the State Governor's Challenge! You have demonstrated ability and significant achievement in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. You are among the best and brightest students the Nation. You and your team members are invited to compete in the Real World Design Challenge National/ International Challenge Competition. You demonstrated innovation by experimenting with the unfamiliar, challenging familiar processes and methods, pushing the limits of current team thinking and adapting or creating tools/processes to increase efficiencies in your design. Now you have the opportunity to build on your achievement and go even farther by competing in the National/International Challenge.

  
Ralph K. Coppola, Ed.D.  
Founder, Real World Design Challenge



**STEM**

Congratulations to both Mr. Raulerson and the Olympia Aero-flyers on their latest win!

John Raulerson:  
Overall: Thirteen Consecutive State Championships in STEM

Overall: Two National Championships in STEM

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Partner with Us**

Would you like to be part of the excitement here at Olympia? Consider being a Partner in Education. We welcome donations, speakers, mentors, event sponsors, and would love to explore ways you can work with us. Please contact Christine.Ebersbach@ocps.net for more information.






**Caring for your pet  
24 hours a day**

**Hospital services:**

- Emergency
- Urgent Care
- Critical Care
- Surgery
- CT Scan
- Ultrasound
- X-Ray
- Walk-in



 1555, Boren Dr, Ocoee, FL 34761  
 [www.all4petshospital.com](http://www.all4petshospital.com)  
 @all4petshospital

 **(407) 205-0420**





5931 International Dr.  
Orlando, FL 32819  
11567 Regency Village Dr.  
Orlando, FL 32821



ITALIAN ICE • CREAM ICE  
FROZEN CUSTARD • SUNDAES  
GELATI • MILK SHAKES & MORE!

Mention this ad for 10% OFF

HAIR SALON  
*Moshi*

Tues - Sat  
10am - 6pm

407-347-3622

Color • Cut • Brazilian Blow out • Keratin

1711 Amazing Way #101  
Ocoee, Florida 34761  
[moshisalon.com](http://moshisalon.com)

Mention this ad for  
**20% OFF for Olympia HS Teachers**

# State Champs in STEM

**Representing:** Back-to-Back to Back:  
State Champions in Core Academia (STEM)

**Led by Super Senior: Justin McMorro**

**Pursuing:** Global Academic Superiority in STEM: A newly Established Aviation Department Subsection which includes College Aviation (Embry Riddle Aeronautical University), High School Aviation (OCPS), and the Rocket Club

The World Championship will be in Olympia's High School Auditorium on April 20, 2024, at 8:00 am. The Governor (Ron Desantis), the Joint Chief of Staff (General Charles Brown Jr.), the representative (Geraldine Thompson), and other prominent officials will be invited.



Pictured above: Anna Andert, Jet Janney, Zih-Syuan Lin (Anderson), Kimberly McMorro, Justin McMorro, An Ngo, Joao Pedro Felipe: (John Raulerson: teacher, advisor, and mentor)

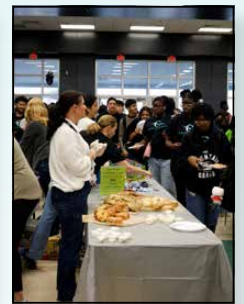
**cherry**  
BLOW DRY BAR  
407-734-5998  
5024 Dr. Phillips Blvd. | Orlando, FL 32819

FULL SERVICE  
HAIR SALON  
MAKEUP  
WAXING

**\$5 OFF A BLOWOUT  
WITH CODE OLYMPIA**

CherryBlowDryBar.com

## Scenes from Olympia's Signing Day



STRENGTH AND WELLNESS  
CUSTOMIZED FOR PARENTS  
AND STUDENT ATHLETES

CONNECTED MOVEMENT  
YOUR PART IN AN ACTIVE  
LIFE

- ✓ FASTER RECOVERY
- ✓ INCREASED MOBILITY
- ✓ SPORTS PERFORMANCE
- ✓ LONG TERM PAIN RELIEF
- ✓ CUSTOMIZED TREATMENT PLANS

CONNECTEDDMVT.COM  
407.704.7919

FUNCTIONAL THERAPY  
SPORTS MASSAGE  
CHIROPRACTIC & MORE!



Romelo and Camren Ware committed to Harvard



Kamal Harris joins Cornell University

**IMAGE NAILS**

8081 W. TURKEY LAKE RD.  
STE. #500 • ORLANDO

BRING YOUR STUDENT ID  
FOR 10% OFF

NAIL | HAND | FOOT | SPA

(407) 363 - 9101  
MON-SAT: 9:30AM - 7:30PM  
SUN: 11AM - 6PM

WALK-INS  
WELCOME

**GARAY EYE CARE**  
& SURGERY CENTER

**BALDWIN PARK**  
895 Outer Rd.  
Orlando, FL 32814  
Ph: 407-644-4477

**METROWEST**  
1603 S. Hiawasee Rd. Suite 100  
Orlando, FL 32835  
Ph: 407-291-9023

[www.garayeye.com](http://www.garayeye.com)

ROUTINE EYE EXAMS  
CATARACT SURGERY  
CORNEAL DISEASES & TREATMENT  
GLAUCOMA TREATMENT  
REFRACTIVE  
COSMETIC SERVICES  
& more...

**A PRACTICE WITH A  
CLEAR VISION**

*Hablamos Español*



# All County Guitar

All county guitar with:  
 Jude Shaheen, Patrick Lalka (instruco, Ashley Benedict, Sofia Izquierdo



## Congratulations

Please help me congratulate the following students for being accepted into the **2023-2024 All-County Chorus!!** We have one of the largest, and most competitive, music districts in all of Florida, and having the most students accepted (**17**) in the county for the **second year in a row** is a huge accomplishment!

I'm very proud of these students and their commitment to the vocal arts. Please help me congratulate them and excuse them from class today for an all-day rehearsal at Calvary Orlando-

- |                 |                  |                       |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Kayla Germain   | Synnei Davis     | Eli Wing              |
| Kylee Itokazu   | Carlos Patak     | Delainey Arendt       |
| Enoc Pierre     | Nilajah Crawford | Robert Mejia-Chirinos |
| Jayden Little   | Sarah Payne      | Danica Loper          |
| Stefano Cestero | Mia McCrea       | Guilherme Melo        |
| Robert Canahan  | Haili Dyer       |                       |



**ORLANDO NATURAL MEDICINE AND ACUPUNCTURE CLINIC**

Ancient Medicine, Modern Care. Combining Traditional Chinese Medicine with modernized techniques to create a holistic healing journey.

98 Terra Mango Loop, Suite 12B, Orlando • (689) 698-9800

**MENTION THIS AD FOR \$10 OFF** [www.ONMAclinic.com](http://www.ONMAclinic.com)

**Christini's** Ristorante Italiano  
*the art of exceptional dining*

7600 Dr Phillips Blvd, Suite 84  
**ORLANDO**  
 407-345-8770 | [www.Christinis.com](http://www.Christinis.com)

**BEAUTY BY LU & SPA**  
 MASSAGE, FACIALS, WAXING, NATURAL SKINCARE & more

**RELAXING ORLANDO DAY SPA**

210 S. Dillard St.  
 Winter Garden, FL 34787  
 Phone: 407-588-8759

[bbluspa.com](http://bbluspa.com)



# THE TITAN TIMES

FOR THE PARENTS, STAFF & COMMUNITY OF OLYMPIA HIGH SCHOOL

Orange County Public Schools  
Olympia High School  
P.O. Box 271  
Orlando, FL 32802-0271

Non Profit Organization  
US Postage PAID  
Orlando, FL  
Permit #2346

8



## INSIDE THIS ISSUE...

- Culinary Wins
- Super Scholar
- STEM News
- All County Guitar
- Olympia's Signing Day
- & more!

## For More School Happenings...

Our school newspaper is now online at: <https://ohsoracle.com/> It is a great way to keep up with what is happening at Olympia! From sports scores to news stories, you can find it all in the *Olympia Oracle*!