



Mission Statement

The John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science is a diverse, supportive community of learners that engages in a rigorous and comprehensive Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics program integrated with Humanities. Our college-preparatory exam school enables our students to reach their full potential and become leaders who will shape the direction of society.

Core Values: O'B PRIDE!

- Perseverance
- Respect
- Integrity
- Discipline
- Excellence



Headmaster/Administration

Message of the Week

Term 3 progress reports were handed out to students on Friday afternoon. All students and families should review the reports together to ensure that all students are working towards academic success. As always, school personnel and our community partners are here to assist our students in any way that we can.

****From March 14-16th, the O'Bryant school will have no internet access and only one phone line available due to a system upgrade. Please plan accordingly.****

College Promotion Day

Every Wednesday is College Promotion Day! It is our hope that everyone wears college gear so that we engage in conversations about college and the rigors of post-secondary studies.

O'Bryant PRIDE Day

Every Friday is O'Bryant PRIDE Day. Wear your spirit gear!

Term 3 Dates

1.30.17 - 4.13.17

Progress Reports will be distributed 3.10.17



Teaching and Learning

- Our attendance goal for the year is to exceed a 97% attendance rate. Our attendance rate for the past three weeks are as follows:
 - 3/06 - 3/10: 95.29%
 - 2/27 - 3/03: 95.2%
 - 2/13 - 2/17: 95.48%
- Spring testing season is upon us. The March & April MCAS & SAT Testing schedule is as follows:
 - Grade 10 ELA MCAS: March 22-24
 - Grade 11 SAT School Day: April 5
 - Grade 7-8 ELA MCAS: April 26-27

Please [click here](#) to view the entire line-up of upcoming assessments. Contact Ms. Kontras with any questions:

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50/50 Raffle



Support our Student Excellent Attendance Campaign by entering our 50/50 raffle! All proceeds go to purchasing the prizes for the student winners of the Excellent Attendance campaign. Tickets are \$1 each, \$5 for 6 tickets, or \$10 for 15 tickets. Tickets can be purchased from Mr. Pires or Ms. Arbit on Monday. The winning tickets will be announced on April 10th.

Experiential Learning

- Mr. Barry has invited **Dr. Stuart Bauer**, a urology specialist from Boston Children's Hospital to share his story about his life in medicine. He will answer questions from students who are considering entering the medical field. The event will take place in the **science auditorium** on **Thursday, March 16th from 2:00- 3:30 PM.**



Family and Community Engagement

- [Click here](#) to read the **Boston Globe** article on the MA Life Sciences Center Grant that O'Bryant was awarded last week!
- High School Girls are invited to the 6th annual **S.E.T. in the City** - A Day of Career Exploration in Science, Engineering & Technology through Wentworth Institute of Technology. [Click here](#) to register for the event on Saturday, March 25, 2017.
- **summerFAB** is a four-week "design and build" program at Wentworth Institute of Technology for students in grade 10 & above. Click [the link](#) for more info.
- On **Thursday March 16**, The Morehouse College Glee Club, a premier singing organization that travels all over the country and the world, will perform at the Roland Hayes. This performance will be streamed live on Facebook. Approximately 200 9th & 11th graders will be invited to attend. More information to come.
- The **6th Annual Young Men's Leadership Conference** is on Saturday, March 18th at Beaver Country Day School in Chestnut Hill, MA. Young men in grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend! [Click here](#) for more info & tickets.
- 11th grade students should sign up for an appointment with our College Advisor **Ms. Rainey** to start the college application process. She is located in the College & Career Center, room 3-235.
- Watch the **Alumni Association's** 1st episode of their talk show, [Tiger Talk, on Youtube!](#)



Shout-outs

- A huge shout-out to **Ms. Tammy Hingston**, our PIC coordinator, for connecting 53 O'B students to the city-wide Job Shadow Day. Thank you for providing these students with industry exposure!
- Shout out to ELA Department members **Ms. Andrews** and **Ms. Reny** who attended a PD on *Reading Non-Fiction: Stances, Signposts & Strategies*.
- Congratulations to the ELA Department, recipients of two **2017 Transforming Learning with Technology Initiative grants**. 120 chromebook will delivered to the O'Bryant this month to support 7-12 ELA initiatives and to equip the 826 Writer's Room. Teachers will also receive PD training to grow a community of BPS Digital Professionals.

Please submit shout-outs to your content administrator so we can recognize those that exhibit O'Bryant PRIDE!



MIAA State Tournament - Boys Basketball



The O'B boys basketball team continues to roll in the **MIAA Division 2 South Tournament**. On Friday, March 3rd, the Tigers defeated Tech Boston 88-76 in the QuarterFinals, On Wednesday, March 8th, O'B beat #1 seed Falmouth 81-57 advancing to the **Finals** versus Whitman-Hanson this **Saturday, March 11th at 4:00pm** at Brockton High School.

Mark Your Calendar: The Spring Athletic Season starts on **Monday, March 20th**. Details to follow.

Pictures of the Week

 **Sonia Chang-Díaz** 
@SoniaChangDiaz  

Met w/ O'Bryant HS students last week who did a project on my dad, [@FranklinChangD](#). Reminder that they're why we work for a better world





From top to bottom: Juniors Nhu Do & Mimi Nguyen (with Ms. Ansaldo) met with Massachusetts State Senator Sonia Chang-Díaz (2 photos); the O'B Administrative team receiving the MA Life Sciences Grant; O'B boys basketball team at Wednesday night's game against Falmouth HS - they won 80-57!

Have something to add to the Eye of the Tiger Newsletter? *Please send information according to the following:*
Guidance/Support Staff - Ms. Nolan; Science/Technology - Mr. Sullivan; English Language Arts - Ms. Tsoutsis; History - Mr. MacLeod;
World Language, Special Education & Mathematics - Mr. Pires; Students - Mr. Pires; Parents/Community Members - Ms. Arbit