

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

O'Bryant School-wide Priorities

Priority #1: Teachers will create opportunities for students to **make their thinking visible**, verbally and in writing, by **supporting their ideas with details, evidence, and/or examples**.

Priority #2: The O'Bryant will develop students' writing skills to prepare them for **college-level and career-aligned writing in each discipline**, as delineated in standards and assessments (i.e., Common Core, AP, SAT, MCAS).

Priority #3: The O'Bryant will engage in **curriculum development and alignment** to incorporate **cognitively demanding tasks** such as lab reports, research, application problems and utilize **Hess' Cognitive Rigor Matrices**.

Headmaster/Administration Message of the Week

Teachers, support staff, students, parents and community members, please enjoy this year's first edition of The Eye of the Tiger News. This newsletter will be sent out to educators, students, parents and community members to update all community members of the ongoing at O'Bryant. If you have anything to add to the newsletter, please see below to contact the appropriate parties. Just as a streak of tigers work together to keep its cubs safe, so too will the John D. O'Bryant educators coalesce to nurture, support, and teach our students. We look forward to a great year!



Teaching and Learning Updates

- The 1st ILT meeting of the year was held on Sept. 20th! Thank you members for your efforts in planning PD. Our next meeting is Oct. 4.
- Professional Development will be held on Sept. 27th. ILT members will be leading our PD on the Instructional Focus.
- The first EDFS deadline is Oct. 1st. Click [here](#) for additional information.

CPT Meeting Times

- ELA - Wednesday, period 2, room 2-101
- Math - Monday, period 5, 3-117
- History - Wednesday, period 2, 3-120
- World Language - Thursday, period 6, 2-148
- Biology - Thursday, period 4, 3-308
- Chemistry - Friday, period 4, 5-103
- Physics - Friday, period 3, 5-107
- 7th Grade - Thursday, period 3, 3-206
- 8th Grade - Tuesday, period 5, 3-223
- Special Education - Friday, period 1, 3-334
- Technology - Tuesday, period 1, 3-109



Family and Community Updates

- If you haven't already, please RSVP for the O'B Community potluck on Sept. 28th from 5:30-7:30pm. RSVP at obryantparentcouncil@gmail.com
- The School-Parent Council was held on Tuesday, September 20th at 6:30p.m. The minutes from the meeting will be on the O'B website shortly.
- Join us for Coffee with the Headmaster on Sept. 30th. Meet the new headmaster and other O'B parents from 7:00-8:00am.

Partnership Updates

- The 826 Boston Writers' Room is open 8:00am-3:00pm and students can visit during lunch, after school, or with a pass from their teacher. Tutoring is available!
- O'Bryant Science Night for MS students & O'B Faculty will be on Sept 30th! Harvard is sponsoring a night at the Museum of National History from 5:30-8:30pm.
- The Alumni Association has lots of activities & info on their [Website](#), or you can find them on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/JDOBBTAA/>
- If you are an O'B Alumnus and want to sign up with the Alumni Association, you can do that [here](#).
- O'Bryant has been selected to participate in the Science Fair Mentorship Program in partnership with Vertex. The deadline for students to apply is Sept. 28th! For more information, ask Mr. Sullivan in building 5.



Staff Shout-outs

This week's staff shout out goes to Mr. Donald Cyrille and Mr. Alexis Rosario, who delivered textbooks to approximately 1,450 students in one week! Thank you for your hard work and your demonstration of O'B PRIDE!

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

Have something to add to the Eye of the Tiger Newsletter?


Please send information according to the following:

- Guidance/Support Staff - Ms. Nolan
- Mathematics - Mr. Pires
- Science/Technology - Mr. Sullivan
- English Language Arts - Ms. Coy-Gonfa
- World Language - Ms. Kontras
- History - Mr. MacLeod
- Special Education - Ms. Kontras/Mr. Pires
- Parents/Community Members - Ms. Arbit
- Students - Mr. Pires

Be sure to check out our school website at obryant.us and follow us on Twitter at [@obryantschool](https://twitter.com/obryantschool).



Extracurricular Updates

- Help the O'B Go Green! The recycling team is on the move, collecting from classrooms on Mondays & Thursdays after school. Recycle paper, clean bottles/cans, and cardboard in the blue recycling barrels around the school. A bin for toner & ink cartridge recycling is in the main office. 
- Student Council Representatives & alternates are to be selected by **Sept. 30th!** Each representative will be voted in by his/her homeroom. Goals of the Student Council are to:
 - Improve culture and climate
 - Ensure student voices are heard and incorporated in decision-making
 - Fulfill school's mission
 - Develop student leadership skills
- Be sure to register any new clubs with Mr. MacLeod!

Athletic Updates

- 9/26: J.V. Football vs. St. Clements 3:30-5:30
- 9/27: V. Boys Soccer v.s Tech Boston 3:30-5:30
- 9/27: V. Girls Soccer v. Burke 3:30-5:30
- 9/28: V. Girls Volleyball vs. Snowden 3:30-5:30
- 9/29: V. Girls Volleyball vs. Brighton 3:30-5:30
- 9/29: J.V. Volleyball vs. Brighton 3:30-5:30
- 9/30: V. Girls Soccer vs. Excel 3:30-5:30
- 9/30: V. Girls Volleyball vs. Tech 3:30-5:30