

OHS NEWSLETTER



WELCOME!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Feb 16 End of 4th Six Weeks**
- **March 1 - Last day to reserve SENIOR AD for the yearbook**
- **March 4-FAFSA Night, CTE Pathway 6:15-7:15**
- **March 5-DC parent meeting, Del Mar Scholarship**
- **March 6-TSI Testing**
- **March 8-Early Release**
- **March 11-15 Spring Break**
- **March 20-E1 & E2 Benchmark**
- **March 20-Progress Reports**
- **March 29th-School Holiday**

~Presley Simmons
& Shawn Williams

This semester there are a lot of things going on such as basketball, track, stock show, softball, baseball, golf, powerlifting, etc. We are almost there to have a new fresh start so enjoy and have fun with what you see. Always be grateful for what you have in a lifetime. We hope for a good start to the second half of the school year!

~Jadelynn Hall & Aden Rodriguez

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Don't Mess With Texas - March 31st
- San Patricio Electric Cooperative's scholarship - April 1st
- San Patricio Area Go Texan - April 3rd
- Odem Exes Association - April 17th

~Josh Chavira

STUDENT LIFE

The San Patricio & Aransas Pass County A&H Show recently took place. Congratulations to Adrian Aguirre and Jonathan Moran for winning Over-All Grand Champion Ag Mechanics Shop Project. We want to recognize the following participants: Traci McClellen who competed in the Broiler Division. Ava Mathis who competed in the Goat division. Trey Canales, Lynnsie Coleman, Harper Dredla, and Presley Simmons who competed in the Hog division. Alyssa Spurlock and Jaylynn Barrera who competed in the Rabbit division. Congratulations to everyone who competed in this years A&H Show.

~ Johnathan Perez & Yazmin Cruz



STUDENT LIFE

Phlebotomy students had a 100% pass rate on their final test that determined whether or not they would earn their certification. Currently they are doing blood pressures that require them to listen closely to the heart to be able to determine what their blood pressure is. Later on in the semester they plan on studying and practicing EKGs to be able to earn their second certification.

~ Landon Douglas & Jonathan Loredo



Jonathan Loredo Interview:

Q: What's your favorite memory in phlebotomy?

A: When we went to the college fair.

Q: What would you say to people who want to join Phlebotomy?

A: Don't stress so much on the work.

OWLSTANDING STAFF



COACH RICHARDSON

How many years have you been teaching? 2 years

What university did you attend? I attended Texas A&M University-Kingsville with a Bachelors in Science.

What is your life motto/quote? "Never waste an opportunity."

What is your favorite movie? "Catch me if you can"

Who was your childhood actor/actress crush?
Kate Upton

If you weren't a teacher, what profession would you be in? Prosthetic designer

If you were a wrestler what would be your entrance theme song? Bad boys- 50 cent

~Talen Silva & Mark Castillo

How many years have you been teaching?

This is my 9th year teaching.

What university did you attend?

I attended Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi.

What is your life motto/quote?

"If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you."

Where did you grow up?

My hometown is Skidmore, Texas.

What is your favorite television show?

I have always enjoyed the show The King of Queens.

Something people may not know about you?

I love national parks, and it is my goal to see all of them!

Who's someone you really admire?

I really admire my mother. She is smart, resilient, and loving. She's taught me to always put others first and to treat others kindly.

~Adriana Gutierrez & David Estrada



MRS. CASTANEDA

NEW STAFF

How many years have you been teaching?

19 years

What university did you attend?

The Angelo State University,
Bachelor of Science

What is your life motto/quote?

"Pressure is a privilege" by Billy Gene King

What is your favorite movie?

Coming to America

Who was your childhood actor/actress crush?

Kelly on Saved by the Bell.

**If you weren't a teacher, what profession
would you be in?** Medical Field

**If you were a wrestler what would
be your entrance theme song?**

Enter Sandman by Metallica



COACH TORRES

~Kyle Wuenschel & Ashton Rodriguez

ADVICE

- Don't bully.
- Listen to your teachers.
- With a new day comes new strength and new thoughts.
- Slow motion over no motion.
- Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift that's why they call it the present.



~Joshua Obregon

SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS



LILLAN KIEFER

What advice do you have for underclassmen? Join lots of clubs as soon as possible, and get involved. Not only will it look good on college apps your senior year, but you will make so many friends.

What is your proudest accomplishment so far? My proudest accomplishment is seeing OAP go from a group who didn't even advance, become district champs and advance to bi- district. I'm proud of how much we have grown over the last 4 years.

What are your plans after High School? My plans after HS are to attend UIW studying nuclear medicine science to become a pediatrician.

What are your top songs on your playlist? Learning to Breathe-Switchfoot, Margaret-Lana Del Rey, Say Yes to Heaven-Lana Del Rey

Interviewed by: Kaylie Reyes & Samantha Martinez

What advice do you have for underclassmen? "Take your freshman classes seriously."

What activities, clubs, or organizations have you participated in? Student Council, BPA, UIL, Golf, Cross Country and Basketball.

What are your top songs on your playlist?

Meltdown By Travis Scott feat Drake, Sorry Not Sorry by Tyler The Creator, Family Ties by Baby Keem feat Kendrick Lamar

What are your plans after high school? Go to college and then coach basketball.

If you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be? Chicken Parmesan

Interviewed by: Steven Blankenship



JUSTIN ANDRADE



RAELYNN RAMON

What is your favorite high school memory?
When I placed in powerlifting the first time.

Describe yourself in three words.
Silly, quiet, and outgoing

What are some goals you have for senior year?
To graduate high school.

What is your best high school memory?
Spending time with friends.

Interviewed by: Angel Castillo

What advice do you have for underclassmen? “My best advice is to make the most of the time in high school. It goes by so quick and then by the time you realize you only have a year left. Have fun and make the most of it with friends!”

What is your favorite high school memory? “My favorite high school memory was prom. I enjoyed dancing and eating with my friends. Best of all was being able to enjoy it with last year seniors.”

What do you want to do after high school? “I’d like to get a Masters in Business and Finance and then attend culinary school. I want to own my own restaurant.”

What are your plans after high school? “I’d like to attend Kingsville for my Bachelors, then go to College Station for my Masters. From there I’ll save up to open my own restaurant.”

Is there anything you would like to add? “Being able to attend Odem was the best experience I’ve ever had. In that regard look forward to each day you have with your friends and teachers. Best of luck with academics and have fun!”

Interviewed by: Madison Fort



EBIN MCCLOSKEY



BAILEY RODRIGUEZ

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Always bring a charger to school.

What are your plans after high school?

I plan to become a physical therapist.

What is something that people may not know about you, but should?

I actually love listening to country music and Taylor Swift!

What are your top songs on your playlist?

My top songs on my playlist are: Dancing Queen by ABBA and Drew Barrymore by SZA.

Interviewed by: Avril Quiroz

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Don't take this time for granted.

Who do you admire and why?

My grandfather, he was one of the wisest people I had the pleasure of knowing.

What is something that people may not know about you but should?

I don't like people as much as many think I do.

What are your plans after high school?

College would be the obvious answer, but I'd like to pursue engineering while still maintaining a role in theatrics.



DAVID BEVLY

Interviewed by: Zoe Garcia



AIDEN LOZANO

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Don't take anything for granted, you're only in high school once.

What activities, clubs, or organizations have you participated in? I've participated in V baseball V football, 4A baseball state championship(in Sinton).

What is your proudest accomplishment so far?

Getting first team all district.

What are your hobbies?

Gaming, basketball, and spending time with my girlfriend.

What are your plans after high school?

I plan to play football in college.

Interviewed by: AJ Gonzalez

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Stay on top of your work and don't fall behind.

What activities, clubs, or organizations have you participated in? Basketball , football, and track.

What is your proudest accomplishment so far?

Getting Nominated for the basketball MVP.

Describe yourself in 3 words.

Tall, dark and handsome.

What are your top songs on your playlist?

Dreams by J Cole, Search and rescue by Drake, I know by Travis Scott



NOAH BROWN

Interviewed by: Levi Moody



CHRIS NUNEZ

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Don't fall asleep in your classes.

Who do you admire and why?

Mrs. Silguero because she always helps everyone in need.

What is your favorite high school memory?

Being in varsity football and playing for the Odem Owls.

What are your plans for after high school?

To go to filming school and see where life takes me.

Interviewed by: Jaylene Ramirez

POWERLIFTING

We've had an amazing few meets so far with qualifiers Austin Molina, Itzac Cruz, Eduardo Medina, and Jason Ramirez. Everyone hopes for a great rest of the season. Congratulations to Austin for a 500lb Deadlift. The girls already have 12 regional qualifiers going into the final meet. The last meet will be held in Beeville, Texas on February 10th. Avril Quiroz had a personal PR of 240 on squat at George West meet. In the unequipped division, Zoe Garcia is currently 3rd place in the district. Wishing all the participants best of luck for the remainder of the season.

By: Mickela Baker & Cameron Haskell



BASKETBALL



The boys basketball team has had some up and downs this season, with a standing in district of 3-3 as of today. We decided to interview two key players who are seniors, Josh Chavira, and Joshua Obregon. “If you have any pre game rituals what are they?” Josh Chavira responded, “I watch Batman before every home game.” We ask Joshua Obregon or, “Obi” “How does it feel being the hype man?” He said “It feels great because I bring energy to the team and everyone around us matches our energy.”

By: Noah Hirle & Noah Brown



The girls basketball team has had adversity this season, but they have been improving and working hard as a team. We interviewed two varsity seniors and a Jv player; Jaelynn Garcia, Dezirae Moreno, and one JV freshman Caitlyn Ramirez.

What was the highlight of the season for you? (Dezirae) The highlight of my season was definitely growing closer to my teammates and building friendships with them.

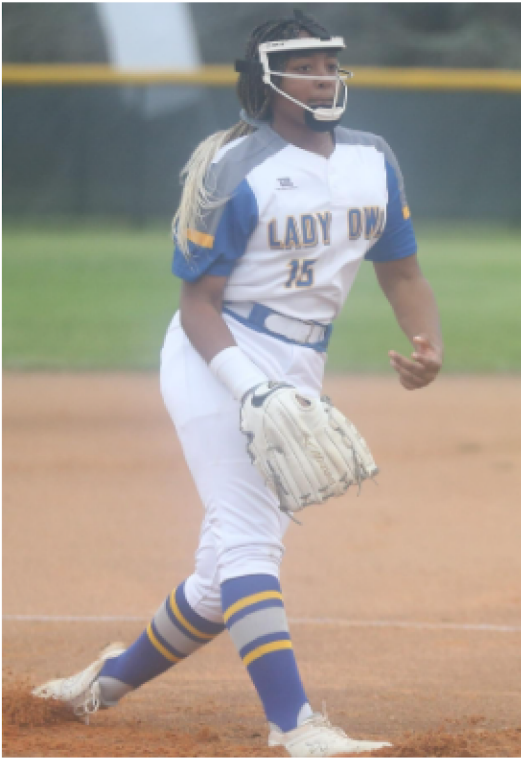
“What is your favorite memory this season?” (Jaelynn) My favorite memory this season was definitely making new friends and working with new girls. I made more friends this season than I have in any of my past years so I really enjoyed all the new girls. The JV girls have been working hard together and been giving it their all, no matter a win or a lost. They have each other to keep pushing and encouraging one another.

“What’s the best part about playing basketball?” (Caitlyn) I like basketball because it’s a team sport and I get to play with my friends.

By: Marina Mata & Samantha Luna



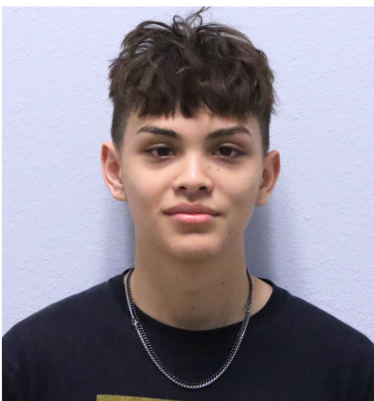
SOFTBALL



Lady Owls Softball officially started on February 9th with a scrimmage against West Oso & John Paul. Coach Claypool has big goals for this season. This season she plans to be District Champs and to win multiple playoff games. The Lady Owls have 8 returners, with 6 of those being starters. Our starting pitcher Aria Bray believes we'll do good this season and make the most out of it. During the offseason she played fall ball with her select softball team and had many pitching lessons to get ready for this upcoming season. This year we wish the Lady Owls the best of luck with a great and safe season!

By: Anabella Santellana & Alma Delatorre

BASEBALL



February 3rd will be the first boys JV and V game in Odem. We're hoping this year will be a good year for the owls leaving them in a good spot in district. Evan Nunez and Payton Simmons are key players for owl baseball and are ready for this upcoming season. We wish the owls a successful season and a good district run.



By: Trey Canales & Jacob Phillips