

Principal Notes:
Due: 2/17/21
Meeting: 2/24/21

Vice Principal Notes:

Through Title I monies Oxbow will be holding a Winter Session during February break from 8-12 am each day for students who are in danger of not graduating with their cohort. This first session has twelve students taking advantage of the program to recover lost credits. Transportation is also included, making it possible for many of these students to participate. Oxbow will also be looking at holding a Summer Session in late June for students.

Honor Roll awards were presented on Monday, February 15th. A video of these presentations will be posted on our website soon.

Oxbow's after hours class has been established and runs four days a week from 2:30-5:00 PM for athletes and other students in need of support with classwork.

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COVID Update - We had one positive case reported to us on Friday, February 5, 2021. We conducted our tracing and informed staff and students who were determined to be in close contact with the infectious person. They were required to quarantine for 7 days (until Monday, 2/8/21) and then have a PCR test. At the same time, a positive case at a local child care center required two other teachers to quarantine and test. Due to staffing issues, we went remote for 2/8 and 2/9 so that these staff members could continue to teach remotely. No other cases came back positive.

Current school schedule - Our goal is to get as many students back for in-person learning for as many days possible as soon as we can!

| Grade Level | Mondays | Tuesdays | Wednesdays | Thursdays | Fridays |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| 7 | In-person | In-person | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 8 | In-person | In-person | | In-person | In-person |
| 9-Purple | In-person | In-person | Remote | Remote | Remote |
| 9-White | Remote | Remote | Remote | In-person | In-person |

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| 9-4 Day | In-person | In-person | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 10-Purple | In-person | In-person | Remote | Remote | Remote |
| 10-White | Remote | Remote | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 10-4 Day | In-person | In-person | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 11-Purple | In-person | In-person | Remote | Remote | Remote |
| 11-White | Remote | Remote | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 11-4 Day | In-person | In-person | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 12-Purple | In-person | In-person | Remote | Remote | Remote |
| 12-White | Remote | Remote | Remote | In-person | In-person |
| 12-4 Day | In-person | In-person | Remote | In-person | In-person |

Synchronous learning on remote days this semester:

All remote learning is synchronous this semester.

Remote Learners: Most students are back in school and follow the schedule above. We have 23 remote-only students who do not come to school for in-person learning at all. They join classes synchronously.

Virtual Learners:

10 students during semester 1 and 16 students during semester 2 took online classes with Vermont Virtual Learning Cooperative. Here is the breakdown:

| Semester | Number of students | Number of Courses |
|----------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 10 | 14 |
| 2 | 16 | 26 |

Oxbow is a participating school - we have Mr. Lemay who teaches for VTVLC. Normally, schools are charged a partnering fee, but then receive 25 free seats per semester if one of their teachers is a VTVLC teacher. This year, and hopefully next year, they are waiving the partner fee. Therefore, 25 students per semester can take their courses for free. This increases our course offerings astronomically. Although not all students do well with on-line (asynchronous- not real time), we have assigned all OHS students

taking a VTVLC course to a period with Mr. Lemay. He keeps track of their pace and helps them be successful.

Re-engagement -

Our focus is now on re-engaging students. Although we have many details left to work out, we do know we hope to:

- All students will be provided with Chromebooks.
- The curriculum will be driven by the most enduring standards.
- A June-Term for project-based learning will be implemented during the last two weeks in the school year.
- The master schedule will be modified to accommodate block scheduled courses, while still maintaining a 7-period option.
- In response to increased student numbers, we will increase our teaching staff to provide a comprehensive education for all and provide courses community members have expressed a desire to see in our offering - personal finance, technology, and, STEM.
- Finally, we will augment our callback period with an advisory program to help with relationship building and ensure a strong PLP process.

Dress Code changes - I was hoping to get the changes implemented this school year. However, to complete the full process takes time - something that disappears quickly this year. I am going to let the students know that we will continue to gather teachers, staff, parents and community feedback this spring, make a decision in June, and implement the new code next fall.

Athletics - basketball teams are playing games! Yay! Go Olympians.

I believe that is all. I know I will think of more as soon as I hit send.

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