



FOUNDATION TIMES

Oregon Schools Foundation Newsletter

The Press Box remodel is COMPLETE!



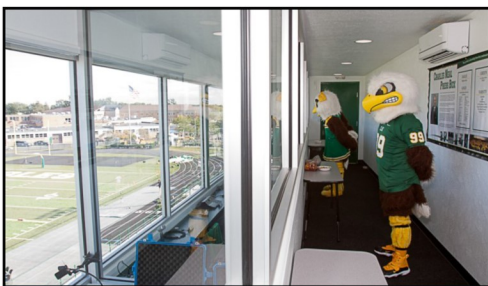
Dedication of Charles Neal Press Box at home opener. 9-8-17

Thank you partners!

The press box remodel would not have been possible without the support of the school district leaders, booster groups, community groups and specialized companies that played a role in the design, funding, and construction of the new Charles Neal Press Box. As a result of their dedication, ideas and generosity, the Oregon students will have a beautiful modern press box structure to be proud of. Oregon Schools Foundation was the non-profit partner to OCS. Thank you to all that were instrumental in the success of this project.

Renovated Press Box

On September 8, 2017, the remodeled press box was dedicated as the Charles Neal Press Box during a pre-game ceremony. The project took just over one year to plan and execute. According to historical



Inside View of Press Box, two levels.

records, the original press box was built in 1948 during the stadium construction. Over the years, the press box has been through many phases. At one point it used to be a two-level enclosed structure, then becoming a one-level structure with an occupancy capacity of 10-15 people. After serving the community for nearly 70 years,

the old press box was renovated and expanded to nearly triple the original structure's size, which can accommodate just over 50 occupants. Also incorporated into the new design is heating and air conditioning, improvements to sound system, and an extra viewing area for media and film crews that are now commonplace at each athletic event. Mr. Neal began his teaching career at Clay High School in 1967 and spent 32 years teaching music and instructing the marching, concert and jazz bands for Oregon City Schools. During his time at Clay, he conducted half-time performances at over 150 home high school games within Clay Memorial Stadium. Under sun, snow, rain or wind, Mr. Neal always prepared his students to be "the best band in the land".



Gifts of Appreciation to Press Box donors.



Mr. Neal flips the coin to begin the game.



Programming News

LOAD of Fun

Initiatives supported by OSF

- ✓ Classroom Grant Program
- ✓ After-school Elementary Art Club Supplies
- ✓ Course relevancy support at Clay High School
- ✓ LOAD of Fun, Kindergarten literacy packets
- ✓ Mentoring / Character Building programming
- ✓ Special Projects as needed by OCS under Academics, Arts and Athletics

Learning Our Alphabet Daily (LOAD) is a program developed and launched by longtime district volunteer Brenda Northrup. Each and every new student registered for kindergarten in Oregon City Schools receives a bag of supplies to increase their exposure to early literacy tools before they arrive in the fall; i.e. books, magnetic letters, sidewalk chalk, etc. There are approx. 300 new students/year, and the supplies are approx. \$10 bag/year.



Brenda hands out LOAD bags at registration



Getting ready for FROST FEST 2018

Frost Fest is Oregon Schools Foundation's annual dinner auction event fundraiser. The funds raised at this event are used for the Classroom Grant Program. Over \$100,000 have been invested back to the classroom since 2000. If you are interested in helping to support Frost Fest, many opportunities are offered for sponsorship. The 2017 event was held on January 28th. **SAVE THE DATE: February 3, 2018 at St. Michael's Centre.**



Students serve guests dinner, the silent auction selection is fantastic and don't miss out on custom-made popcorn by Laurie and Carolyn!



2017-18 Classroom Grants Approved

New Grants awarded to the following instructors.

Can't wait to see feedback.

Funded through donor support of the Oregon Schools Foundation.



*Elementary Drum Circles
Elizabeth Gibson*

Innovative, creative and hands-on African drum sets for elementary Music class at Jerusalem.



*Thermo-Imaging Camera
Nicholas Elchert*

Predictive Maintenance tool for Electrical Engineering at Clay.



*Language & Learning Lab
Elizabeth Maher*

District wide speech therapy tools.



*Lab Quest Equipment
Meredith Wolfe*

Environmental & Agricultural tech program at Clay. Modern testing equipment that reduces waste.



*Home Automation/Security
Nicholas Elchert*

Electrical Engineering hands-on training tools for wiring and programming security systems.



*Welcome to the Working World
Brent Combs*

Web Financial Literacy tools. Checkbooks for each student for hands-on learning.



*Sensory Integration
Megan Rohrbacher*

Enrichment for special needs students.

Congratulations to all Grant Recipients!

2017-18 Grant value back to Oregon City Schools classrooms - \$9,901.

Expanding Strengthening Enriching Inspiring

Course Relevancy News

Are you a fit for the Course Relevancy Program at Clay High School?

The Course Relevancy Program (CRP) celebrated its first year success at a luncheon sponsored by Oregon Schools Foundation on May 18. CRP was developed exclusively for Oregon City Schools by Tom Keller, Clay High Alumni Class of 1968, to bring real-world RELEVANCY to current classroom teachings. Individuals from the working-world, volunteer to come in and extend their expertise in any given subject area. If you are a professional in your field, and would like to offer your 'expertise' to current students for course relevancy, please contact us. We send a tremendous THANK YOU to the program participants; both teachers and professionals.

2015-16 Participants:

Jeff Keller & Bob Frank—Law and Law Enforcement; worked with Trent Dorner in Clay Language Arts.
Marty Van Scoy & Jim Stewart—Gifted & Talented mgmt.; worked with Leigh Ann Kesling in Fassett Language Arts
Regina Reynolds & Heidi Hess—Health field; worked with Judy Olive in Fassett Health class
Jennifer Compton & Shawn Tennant—Financial field; worked with Brent Combs in Fassett Financial Literacy
Aaron Vay—Audio/Visual Communications field; worked with Rhonda Hildebrande in Clay Video Communications



L to R—Judge Jeff Keller, Marty Van Scoy,
Regina Reynolds, Heidi Hess



L to R—Brent Combs, Judy Olive,
Rhonda Hildebrande, Leigh Ann Kesling

Did You Know?



- ✓ OSF Facebook page is www.facebook.com/OSFOhio
- ✓ OSF Twitter account: [OSF4Kids](https://twitter.com/OSF4Kids)
- ✓ Oregon City Schools district website is www.OregonCitySchools.org
- ✓ United Way contributions can be directed to Oregon Schools Foundation
- ✓ You can designate your contribution to support Academics, Arts or Athletics
- ✓ Clay has an alumni organization called **CHAFA** (Clay High Alumni & Friends Association) for reunion resources and Alumni Hall of Fame. Join for \$10 to receive newsletter twice/year. Check it out at www.ClayAlumni.com



CHAFA Eagle

There are many ways to give:

ONLINE at OregonSchoolsFoundation.org, where you may use a credit card or set up recurring payments through our online portal.

MAIL your check, made payable to Oregon Schools Foundation, to OSF, 5721 Seaman Road, Oregon, Ohio 43616.

CONTACT the foundation directly for more information about ways to give: 419-639-0661 or OregonSchoolsFoundation@gmail.com



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