

Origins News for the Week of December  
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**ORIGINS** HIGH SCHOOL EST. MMXIII  
**WHERE CHARACTER, CREATIVITY,  
+CURIOSITY MEET**

Dear Origins Families,

Welcome back after the long weekend. We hope you and your family were able to rest and relax. It is already December, and the end of our first marking period is only a week away, along with Roundtable presentations. Please sign up for your student's Roundtables using the link below. Also, please check in on your student's progress and performance using Jupitergrades. If you have any questions about their current work, your student's advisor would be more than happy to go over it with you. Also, with a week left, please make sure your student takes advantage of our afterschool homework help sessions and open computer lab time. We look forward to seeing you next week!

Regards,  
Mr. Banks

**Save The Date!!!**  
**OHS ROUNDTABLES**  
**Come And Join Us**

**When:** December 8-10, 2014

**Where:** Origins High School

**Who:** Your Student!

**What Are Roundtables?**

Roundtables are twice yearly student presentations of work to panels of teachers, peers, and community members. Students must defend that work against probing questions to demonstrate their mastery of the content and skills learned in that portion of the course. Family Members are invited and encouraged to attend.



Our Roundtable presentations are scheduled so as to allow 9th grade students time to acclimate themselves to the demands of presenting their work to an audience. 9th grade students will present two Roundtables in December (Math and Physics), with three Roundtables in March (English, History, and Art), and all subjects presented in June. 10th grade students will present at Roundtables over two days in four of the subject areas in December and all of their subject areas in March. Please click on the following link to register for Roundtables. Please make sure to include your student's name, so we can schedule you to be with them during their presentation.

[Roundtables Registration Link](#)



# **Celebrations!!!**

At OHS we have a little tradition called Celebrations! It is a way to celebrate our scholars and staff for upholding our school mission and values. It happens each Friday during Morning Meeting.

Students and staff can receive a bracelet for the following categories:  
Creativity, Curiosity, Reflection, Empathy and Determination

## **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

**Over the last week we've recognized the following students and staff:**

**Stayed tuned for next week's celebrations.**

Please check in each week to see who we celebrate next!

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**New After-school Cell Phone Policy:** In order to make it easier for students to attend after-school activities, we are beginning a new cell phone policy. Students who are attending after-school activities (listed below) may check their phone with the school in the morning. They may only check their phones on days they plan on attending an after-school activity. Phones for after-school activities will be held until the end of after-school and distributed to students by the teacher running the activity. If a student has said they are attending the activity, they must attend the activity in order to receive their phone. We hope that this new policy makes it easier for students to attend the variety of homework help sessions and clubs.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homework Help - English as a Second Language: Ms. Mignault (Rm. 272)	Homework Help ELA: Mr. Farrell (Rm. 221)	Homework Help Science: Ms. Sutjiawan & Ms. Steele (Rm. 227)	Homework Help Math: Mr. Diamantis & Mr. Min (Rm. 229)	
Step & Dance: Ms. Marrero (Dance Gym)	Art: Mr. Rizzo (Rm. 273)	Green Team & Garden Club: Ms. Branagan & Ms. Cavallo (Rm. 271)	Mock Trial: Mr. Janosch (Court Room)	

Strategic Gaming:  
Mr. Diamantis &  
Ms. Sutjiawan  
(Rm. 227)

Student  
Government:  
Ms. Castillo &  
Mr. Elliott  
(Rm. 280)

Poetry &  
Music:  
Mr. Banks  
(Rm. 273)

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## This month at Origins

### **December 3rd**

5:30 OHS SLT Meeting

### **December 8 - 10**

**OHS Roundtables**

December 10th

**Trimester Ends**

**December 18th - PA Meeting**

December 24th - January 4th

**Schools closed for Holiday Break**

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