

Dear Origins Families,

October is off to a wonderful start. With the start of our after school activities, clubs, trips and our upcoming Parent Association Potluck, we have something for everyone this month at Origins. We are excited about the range of clubs we are able to offer, from Step to Mock Trial, from Poetry to the Green Team. Please encourage your students to join one of our nascent activities, and let us know if you are available to help in any way, as we continue to develop our vibrant community. And please continue to sign up for our community potluck on October 16th. Our Parent Association and advisors will be reaching out to speak with you further about this fun get together next week.

Regards,
Mr. Banks

On Monday, October 6th, we begin our after-school clubs and homework help sessions for the first trimester marking period. We are excited to be able to offer a variety of clubs and homework help sessions. Below you will find a list of available offerings and the weekly schedule.

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. 220)	

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)	

After-School and Homework Help Descriptions

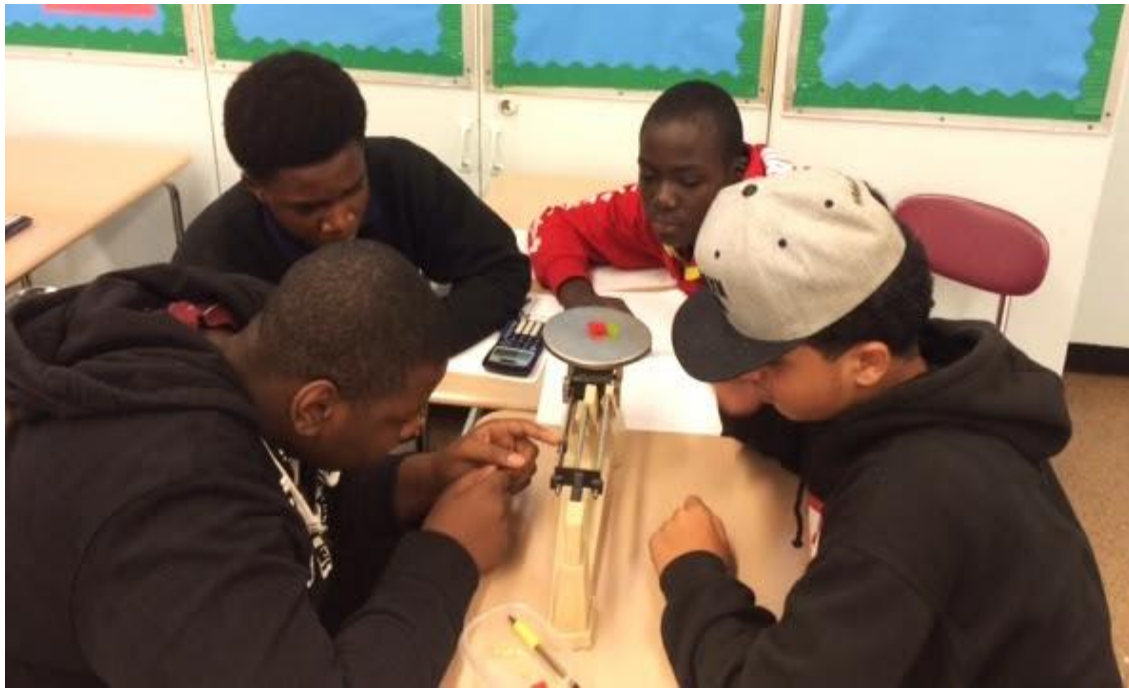
- Homework Help – Students will receive assistance with homework, classwork, and projects in specific subject areas. Students may attend as necessary or as required. Homework help is also a time students can use for a quiet space to complete their work each week.
- Step & Dance – Students will learn step and dance routines, as well as choreograph their own routines.
- Strategic Gaming – Come learn how to think strategically and logically to win at a variety of games. Students will also consider how to create their own strategic games.
- Art – Students will explore their interests in art and develop larger scale projects for presentation within the school.
- Green Team & Garden Club – Students will focus on environmental issues that affect our community, create garden designs, and develop school beautification and sustainability projects.
- Student Government – Student government is a vehicle for student voice in school decision-making. Students develop events, school-wide projects, and communicate student concerns to the school’s principal.
- Mock Trial – Students learn how to prepare and try a court case in our campus court room. The mock trial team competes in city-wide

events with teams from other schools. Mock trial starts on Thursdays, but requires additional hours and days of commitment as the team heads into competition season.

- Poetry & Music – Students will develop written and spoken word poetry, and work to set this poetry against a backdrop of music that represents the poem's tone.

Classroom Feature: Mr. Diamantis

Our 9th grade mathematicians exploring self-generated questions about the infamous Super Bear. Whether comparing Super Bear to its miniature and regular-sized counterparts by weight, volume, or nutritional information, students applied proportional reasoning to address an original question of interest using their own strategies during a unit on problem solving. The focusing question of the unit was "*What do I do when I don't know what to do?!*"



Pictured: Elian Urena and Dylan Gonzalez (back)
Helen Reyes and Danielle Soto (front)

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!!!

Last week we recognized the following students and staff:

**Helen Reyes-Curiosity
Elian Urena-Empathy
Dylan Gonzalez-Curiosity
Jamierah Gomes-Empathy
Danielle Soto-Determination
Nazar Andrusiv-Determination**

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

This month at Origins

October 6th

Sheepshead Bay Campus Shared Space Meeting

October 13th

Schools Closed for Columbus Day

October 16th

Join us for the PA Potluck!!!!

October 21st

HS Application Info Session

October 22nd

HS Application School Tour

October 29th

HS Application School Tour

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