



## SPARTAN NEWS - May/June 2019

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Dear Seven Oak Families,

May is here, which also means we are in the final full month of the school year! As we continue our eventful and jam-packed spring, I'd like to share some highlights from the past few weeks, and make sure you all know what is still ahead in our final five weeks before summer:

We had beautiful weather for Outdoor School this year up at Camp Tadmor, where the 6th graders participated in several outdoor learning experiences, including archery, fishing, aquatic ecology, a raptor presentation, and countless matches of GaGa ball. We may have to look at adding a GaGa ball pit to our recess equipment at SOK!

Just this past weekend, many of our Spartans were involved in the production of Annie Junior. It was a fantastic performance and the entire cast and crew did an outstanding job! There is still one more opportunity to enjoy some positive middle school drama, when the spring theatre class will be putting on their class play, "Haphazardly Ever After", May 22nd at 6:00p.

We also started SBAC testing this past week, and our testing window runs through May 17th. Students are tested in both language arts and mathematics. As a part of Oregon's state testing system, it's one piece of information, in addition to grades in school, that helps us know how all of our students are doing - measuring what they should know and be able to do at every step - so that by the time our Spartans graduate from high school, they are ready for college, career, and life. We are encouraging all students to do their best work and have several incentives based on preparation and performance - raffling away everything from Dutch Bros. gift cards to an opportunity to shave a staff member's head. We'll celebrate raffle winners in between acts of our SOK Talent Show on Friday morning, May 31st, and we would love to have you join us!

The 1st Annual Seven Oak PTC Color Run is still coming - and it's a great way to celebrate the end of state testing!! We are set to hold it on Saturday, May 18th at SOK. Our Parent Teacher Committee is coordinating this fun event for all ages - an important fundraising activity for our PTC and its ongoing support of all of our programs here at Seven Oak. Registration begins at 9:00a and the race kicks off at 10:00a. Please check our website for more details.

Summer School information for next year's 6th, 7th and 8th graders is now available on our website: <http://seven-oak.lebanon.k12.or.us/2019/05/01/summer-programs/>. We will have two parent information nights on May 20th and May 22nd for families who want to learn more about our summer school programs. The link above also includes information about The Warrior Power Camp for rising Freshmen headed to LHS this fall.



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### Counselors' corner

- Each week in May, the Seven Oak Counseling Team will be working with students on their various transitions to new grades levels, while also encouraging meaningful reflections upon what they have all worked hard to achieve this past school year. We look forward to supporting staff and students to finish the school year strong and then to celebrate this success in June. Go Spartans!

-Mrs. Beth Seagrave (last names A-L) & Mrs. Laura Martin (last names M-Z)

### Additional announcements / important dates

- **May 2nd - May 17th** - SBAC Testing window for all 6th - 8th grade students in ELA and Math
- **May 11th** - Grant Johnson Memorial Jazz Festival at LHS
- **May 18th** - PTC Color Run @ SOK
- **May 20th & 22nd** - Summer School Parent Informational Meetings - 6:00p (SOK library)
- **May 21st** - Spring Band Concert @ SOK
- **May 23rd** - Attention 7th grade parents: If you are interested in sending your student on the Washington DC/New York trip next year, please attend this information meeting on **May 23rd 5:30 pm in the SOK Library**. If you cannot attend but would like more information, please contact Renee Foster at [rfoster2d@gmail.com](mailto:rfoster2d@gmail.com). This is not a school-sponsored trip.
- **May 24th** - Regular school day (snow day make-up)
- **May 27th** - No School - Memorial Day
- **May 28th** - 7th grade class trip; New rising 6th & 7th graders visit SOK; New Families Night - 6p
- **May 30th** - 6th and 8th grade class trips
- **May 31st** - Talent Show / SBAC incentives assembly + Strawberry Festival - Early Dismissal
- **June 5th** - 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony, 2:00p @ LHS
- **June 6th** - Spartan Olympics!!
- **June 7th** - Last day of School, Early Release

Let's go SPARTANS!!