



	Date: 06/16/2021
Meeting: June Monthly Board Meeting	Facilitator: Elias Pappas

Our VISION: Open as many doors as possible for our students once they matriculate through our program.
Our MISSION: The Mission of Odyssey Charter School is to prepare students for a lifelong enthusiasm for learning, develop a keen awareness of world citizenship and culture and establish critical thinking and problem-solving proficiency through the added learning of the Modern Greek language and Mathematics focus.
Our CORE VALUES: Ubuntu. Comunidad. Aien Aristeuein.

School Site Priorities: What goals are we focusing on? What data do we have to support this goal (the next 4-6 weeks)?

School Site Goal #1	End of Year Activities, Summer School logistics, hiring, enrollment, schedules
School Site Goal #2	DE&I: Analysis of all programs and structures
School Site Goal #3	Fundraising 2.0, facilities updates
School Site Goal #4	Focus on visual branding, universal branding

Update 1 COVID UPDATES Notes/Data					
<p>Part 2 COVID</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Students and staff are encouraged to submit a copy of their completed COVID-19 Vaccination card to their building level RN to update Odyssey’s Vaccination Rates. b. All staff and children 12+ are encouraged to get vaccinated <p>Testing: Delaware Public Health is partnering with Quidel to offer testing in Delaware Schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Odyssey Charter School has been selected as a “pilot school” for this testing program. b. Testing will be available on campus to all students that are attending the “Summer Leap Program”. c. More information will be communicated as it is available. 	<p>Campus Vaccination Rates (voluntarily reported):</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"> <p>Staff 94 staff responses on voluntary survey</p> </td> <td style="padding: 5px;"> <p>86 staff members fully vaccinated 8 staff members not vaccinated</p> <p>91% vaccinated of those that completed the survey</p> </td> </tr> </table>	<p>Staff 94 staff responses on voluntary survey</p>	<p>86 staff members fully vaccinated 8 staff members not vaccinated</p> <p>91% vaccinated of those that completed the survey</p>	<p>Most recent Governor Carney Executive Order https://governor.delaware.gov/health-soe/twenty-ninth-modification-state-of-emergency-declaration/</p> <p>Delaware Update for Schools & Students https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/schools-and-students/school-updates/</p>
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<p>Flagpole initiative and fundraising updates</p>	<p>The buy a brick flagpole fundraiser has officially launched! The goal is to raise upwards of \$80,000. We continue to encourage everyone to take advantage of this unique opportunity to be a permanent part of Odyssey’s history! Please share the information with friends, families, and local businesses who could take advantage of a wonderful advertising opportunity!A courtyard with a bench is being planned for the flagpole around building 21 as a summer project.</p> <p>Buy a Brick Flagpole Fundraiser</p>	<p>Following our meetings with consultants, we have started to build a new infrastructure for fundraising. We are adding support staff to help our fundraising committee as we move into the 2021-22 school year.</p>	
<p>Culture Focus</p>	<p>We are moving our parent education seminar series to the fall when we have rolled out our instructional vision for the entire k-12 system. Parents will have opportunities to learn about Restorative practices in parenting, equity practices, SEL education, mental health, and various topics pertaining to the needs of our 21st century learners.</p> <p>OCS 4th dimension diversity, equity, and Inclusion work is continuing for our leadership team. We have completed all of the training sessions thus far and have created action steps that we will use to add to our goals for the coming year. We have created a set of four goals with action steps during our OSC Envisioning session that we can use as a springboard to create our plan for the fall.</p> <p>Proposed Goals</p>	<p>OCS is working to build out some community level events as we have several celebrations in the coming months! Outdoor class celebrations and competitions are occurring in all levels of the school. As mentioned above we have focused on building culture as we wind down the year. Field days, Movie nights, picnics, the staff party on June 17.</p> <p>12th grade graduation occurred on June 5 and was a resounding success. Principal El was our keynote speaker, and the ceremony was very inspirational. All graduations will be posted on our social media outlets and the website for your review.</p> <p>Kinder Graduation was absolutely adorable and a huge hit with the families and all who attended. This new tradition will definitely continue in the years to follow. Our students accomplished so much and they were so excited to share those achievements with us and the world.</p> <p>5th and 8th grade graduations also occurred on the same day as kinder, finishing off our graduation season. All three events had over 600</p>	<p>The PTO helped us with gifts for honored guests and the senior gifts. Food services helped us with water refreshments, etc.</p> <p>Thank you to our cooking club and Dr. Mylonas for baking 2000 tiropites as snacks for the graduation.</p>

participants and we were so happy to celebrate these momentous days with our community. Again, the feedback we have received has been very positive and we will continue with these traditions moving forward.

Food Services: Prepared and served/handed out 26,476 meals in the month of May, for a federal reimbursement claim submitted for \$91,556.71.

Transportation: On June 8th, our Transportation department navigated unprecedented traffic conditions from the I-95 shutdown and was able to bring all students on a bus to school and back home safely.

Facilities: Partnering with members of the administration, managed the set up and disassembly of over 1,400 chairs, tents, tables, stages, and vendors over a 7-day period to help provide our community with amazing graduation celebrations.

IT: Completed the installation of increased security camera presence on the campus as well as installed a fully capable outdoor Wi-Fi system for our staff and students.

Marketing: Voted top school in Northern Delaware by 2021 First State favorites

<p>Building Level Updates</p>	<p>Lower School: The end of the year was a joy for our students, staff, and families. We had an uplifting and successful Kindergarten Graduation that was attended live by 158 students and 600 guests. We also had successful field days for all grade levels K-2 with virtual and in-person students invited and fun Activity Days with live specials to round out the end of a year with asynchronous specials. The end of the year included celebrations of our learning in Greek and English throughout the building at the opportunity to meet teachers in the next grade level.</p> <p>Intermediate School: The intermediate school rounded out this year with fun activities! Special thanks to Renee Bruno, our PE teacher along with the rest of the specialists who organized a fun field day and even transformed the halls so our 5th graders could enjoy despite the rain. We had a beautiful graduation ceremony on Saturday for 5th grade. Thank you to the entire 5th grade staff for taking part and all of our volunteers. Students enjoyed 'moving up' this week, getting a sneak peek at next years classrooms and meeting all the teachers via flipgrid. We are excited to welcome our the 2nd graders to the IS building and wish the best to our 5th graders as they enter middle school.</p>	<p>Middle School: The Middle School is quickly winding down the year with many exciting activities celebrating our students! We just had our Middle School Movie Night under the stars sponsored by our student council. This event was a huge success and is sure to be a new tradition at OCS. Tomorrow night we will be honoring our spring inductees to the National Junior Honor Society. In the next couple of weeks our students will look forward to field day, spirit week, 6th and 7th grade awards ceremony and we will top it all off with our first ever 8th grade graduation!</p> <p>High School: See below</p>	<p>Curriculum: We are looking forward to expanding our curriculum programs throughout the school.</p> <p>In grades 6-12, we are purchasing a new ELA curriculum - McGraw Hill's <i>StudySync</i>. The program "materials meet the expectations of alignment to the Common Core English Language Arts (ELA) standards. Texts included are engaging and appropriate for the grade level. The materials include instruction, practice, and authentic application of reading, writing, speaking and listening, and language work that is engaging and at an appropriate level of rigor for the grade." Teachers will be participating in professional development over the summer to prepare for implementation this fall.</p>
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	<p>Middle School: The Middle School wrapped up the year with many exciting events. A special thanks to Kelly Ellis and all our teachers who helped to make field day a fun filled day for both our in-person and virtual students. Both our students and teachers really enjoyed our spirit week and showed their spirit by dressing up as tacky tourists, dressing from different decades and donning their favorite sports apparel. Thank you to Tessa LaNeve, Matthew Nimmerichter and our 8th grade team who helped make the 8th grade graduation and awards ceremony a spectacular event for our students and families. It was a special day I know they will never forget. We wish our 8th graders the best as they make their way to high school and we cannot wait to see our future 6th, 7th and 8th graders in the fall.</p>		
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<p>HS Updates</p>	<p>College Data - HS Total Applications submitted as of 4/21: 195</p> <p>Percent of Class of 2021 applying to at least 1 school: 71%</p> <p>33% of students have reported merit scholarship/grant awards totaling over \$1.6 million dollars!</p> <p>FAFSA completion has risen to 67%</p> <p>We have 106 acceptances spanning 13 states: DE, PA, FL, NJ, VA, NY, MA, TX, NC, IN, CA, GA, WV</p>	<p>School Choice - HS</p> <p>We are poised to accept our largest incoming 9th grade class yet (projected 20% + increase), and continue to solidify enrollments from our current 8th grade students as well as finalizing choice documents with families new to Odyssey. Our projected enrollment for next year is just over 2000 students, an increase of approximately 80 students overall.</p> <p>Students who are joining our freshman class have received the Class of 2025 box including their official Class of 2025 T Shirt, Lanyard, Admissions forms, and more. <i>Any current 8th grader who is planning to stay at OCS and has not yet received their box should reach out to Tracie Principe or Kristy Lingo so that we can be sure to count you in!</i></p>	<p>Recognitions - HS</p> <p>All 60 of our seniors graduated in time despite the challenges of COVID-19!</p>
<p>Update on school priorities</p>	<p>Enrollment: Our projected enrollment for this year is approximately 2000 students with 2020's enrollment data indicating 1926 students.</p>	<p>DEI:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The fourth session for school leadership occurred last week. This is part of a series to empower our school leaders b. A revised attendance policy focusing on supporting families in the maximum capacity by pooling our resources and shifting our overall approach is being vetted by school nurses as another lens before rolling the new policy out for the fall. c. Professional development series on equity in the classroom and in our school as a whole is being developed for early fall, which will be part of a series of instructional lifts designed to elevate our program K-12. 	<p>Stakeholder communication updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. UCP and updated policy for homeless and foster youth has been ratified b. Parent/Student Surveys will be conducted by a national normed independent company. These anonymous surveys will focus on school culture, climate and safety. We will use this data to drive our future decision making. The first such survey will be distributed in the fall semester and the second one in the spring to monitor our progress toward goals set from the feedback we receive on the fall survey.

Visual Branding	<p>A major focus of our campaign this year is to improve the visual footprint of the school. You may have noticed tremendous efforts made to maintain all our flowerbeds, manicure our athletic facilities, place new signs outside buildings, reorganize lobbies and entryways, etc. We are also in the process of placing signage on all our school buildings to remove previous designations associated with prior occupants of the buildings.</p>	<p>The athletic fields are being branded with our logo and block letters on the sidelines as a centerpiece of competitive sports. Our teams have received new uniforms and we have seen success on the field as well, with soccer, baseball, softball and track all seeing success in competition. The Parliament of Owls is starting to soar!!! GO OWLS GO!!</p>	
Financial Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Revenues received during May includes receipt of \$1,314,975 from ARP (ESSER III) without an offsetting expense, as it will be completely carried into the next fiscal year. ● Food Services proceeds for meal reimbursements will exceed \$90k for the first time in June and is included in the projections as such. The Food Services team prepared and distributed over 26,000 meals during the month of May. ● Efficiencies found on expenses as yearend approaches have directly correlated to an increase of the Cash-on-Hand projection to increase approximately \$300k. This increase will be a mix of restricted and unrestricted cash balance. ● Based on preliminary projections, we expect to have a restricted cash balance as of June 30, 2021 of \$1.83million (\$1.3 ARP/ESSER III, \$300k ESSER II, \$200k Other Consolidated Grant). 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a result, we are showing a positive variance to the final budget for approximately \$2.42mill, of which \$600k is unrestricted. The projected year-end cash on hand is \$6.8mill, of which \$5.0mill is unrestricted. Unrestricted Cash Basis investors report projects 1.67 debt coverage ratio (requirement is 1.10) and 73.46 estimated days of cash on hand (covenant is 60.00 days) at yearend. 		
Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WE ARE SO EXCITED ITS SUMMER, the bus drivers are off and are ready to not drive a bus for 2 months! Summer Learning - Look for a transportation e-mail next week. 22/22 School Year Bus Riders - look for a communication to validate your bus stop. 		
Student Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer Learning Leap <ul style="list-style-type: none"> July 12-August 5 Monday Through Thursday 8:15-12:15 Invitation only- emails have been sent out Summer Virtual learning Asynchronous <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available to all students k-8, will be available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MTSS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New regulation out July 1 available for view through DDOE website Problem Solving team and process for each school Working with the other charters and DOE to support with best practice in the new areas of support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Special Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New regulations for eligibility July 1 Full time ED at each school who will also support instructional practices for specially designed instruction and targeted interventions found in research based and best practices (E.g. SPIRE, Road to REading, Read Naturally Math navigator Freckle , Reading rewards,) Audit results and next Steps

	<p>through the website in the near future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Special Education Summer ESY and 12 month<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ July 12-August 5 Monday Through Thursday■ 8:15-12:15■ Invitation only- emails have been sent out		<p>Corrective action plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Training for next year<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Standards Based IEP○ Transition for students to adult life training○ Monthly ED meetings○ Differentiated instructions (Accommodations and Modifications)
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