



OLD COLONY

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Principal Guenette's February 2016 News

It's hard to believe that we have completed half of the 2015-16 school year already, and our students are in the middle of Trimester 2! This month we welcome **Mrs. Linda Deady** as our new **Academic Coordinator/Data Analyst** for the District. Linda comes with 34 years of **experience as a math instructor** and has a wealth of knowledge, not only in curriculum design and alignment, but also in a **vocational-technical educational setting**. Her office is located next to the library if you're in the building and would like to meet her. She can be reached through email at **ldeady@oldcolony.us** or **x-195**.

Attached to this month's newsletter, you will find the **2015 MA DESE Accountability and Assistance Report** for your review. Old Colony RVTHS maintained its **Level 1** status on all of the state's rating categories.

Senior parents – Mrs. Murray, one of our graphics teachers who coordinates the yearbook is asking if your child would like his/her **baby picture in the yearbook**, to please email a photo to her at **emurray@oldcolony.info**. Please make sure the photo is of high quality. Include student name in the email. Photos are **due Friday, February 19**.

Incoming freshmen applications are being accepted during this month for the 2016-17 school year. If your child is interested in applying, please have him/her **seek an application from their middle school guidance counselor** or call the Old Colony guidance office at x126 for more information.

The **12th annual OC Golf Tournament Scholarship Fundraiser** will take place on **Sat., May 14, 2016**, at **Acushnet River Valley Golf Course at 1 p.m.** All monies raised go to supporting our senior scholarship awards. This year's Golf Committee is looking to **extend an invitation** to any parent **willing to help us coordinate** the event this year. Feel free to come to the **first meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 3rd, at 2:30 p.m.** in the cafeteria.

Old Colony has been fortunate to collaborate with **Junior Achievement** for a "**Job Shadowing Program.**" We will be planning for **all grade 10 students** to "shadow" at local businesses arranged by J.A. **during the week of February 22nd. What is the JA Job Shadow?** The JA Job Shadow program provides students with the opportunity to visit local businesses where they can **observe a professional work environment**, learn about the careers that are available, and talk to employees about their jobs and experiences. Students also learn what skills are needed for a career in a particular industry and the importance of educational attainment in achieving their goals. In addition to visiting a local business, the JA Job Shadow program includes **three additional classroom** sessions (two before the field trip and one after) that reinforce important concepts such as career research and preparation, job-hunting skills, and professionalism and ethics in the workplace.

Lentz & Lentz SAT Prep Class will be offering a **Spring 2016 SAT Prep Course for the "New SAT."** The SAT prep course will be offered at Old Colony RVTHS on the following Mondays from 6:30-9:30 p.m., and the tuition is \$365 for the course: March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 25, and May 2, 2016. If your child is interested in signing up, please contact the guidance department at x-126. We need a minimum of 10 students to run the course.

The following are a list of dates and events for the month of February at Old Colony:

- Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 – Southcoast Mobile Heath Van at OC from 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2016 – Golf Tournament Committee Meeting – 2:30 p.m. in cafeteria
- Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 – Mrs. Bernard from Bernard’s Driving School – sign ups during all lunches
- Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016 – Booster Club meeting in the café at 6:30 p.m. (All parents welcome)
- Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016 – Balfour for class rings, etc. – during all lunch shifts
- Mon., Feb. 15- Fri., Feb. 19, 2016 – February vacation week
- Monday, Feb. 22, 2016 – All OC classes resume and Grade 10 “job shadow” week begins
- Friday, Feb. 26, 2016 – Early Release Day – 10:48 a.m. student dismissal
- Friday, Feb. 26, 2106 – Non-traditional Club – Spring Bulb sales (contact Anne Spirlet x128)

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

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