2018-2019
School Year

The Wingspan

Friday, Nov. 9, 2018

27330 Oak Ridge School Rd, Conroe Texas 77385
832-592-5300/936-709-7216 Attendance 832-592-5433
1-888-KID-CHAT Fax 832-592-5544 Transportation 936-709-7911

FINANCE CORNER

SchoolCashOnline

For your convenience all class fees, club dues, t-shirts, senior dues, etc. can be paid for by using conroeisd.schoolcashonline.com

Check Policy

All checks require the following:

-Full Name
-Physical Address
-Home Phone #
-Secondary Phone #
-Driver's License # with State

On-line Information

ORHS Website
orhs.conroeisd.net
CISD Website
conroeisd.net

Last Day of School:

May 30, 2019

Debate

The Debate Team travelled to The Woodlands HS this past weekend and the results are as follows:
Kirby Cabler was the top speaker in Lincoln Douglas Debate and earned the coveted gavel!
Kirby Cabler also was a semifinalist in Varsity Lincoln Douglas and picked up four more points towards the state meet.
In Novice Lincoln Douglas our Debate I newbies Walter Laureano and Bemiga Falegan each were quarter finalists.

Laila Hammad advanced to finals in Congressional Debate and took 6th place over all earning two points toward the state meet.
Sameer Ali was a semifinalist in Original Oratory
Muskan Naqvi was a semifinalist in Domestic Extemp
Kirby Cabler was a finalist in Impromptu and took 5th place overall.

Congratulations to each of these students!

The Debate Team will travel to Houston next week to compete in the Regional Youth and Government Meet. This meet will determine who advances to state from the Houston region.

ORHS is a Testing Site for the ACT/SAT Remember to click on ORHS to test at your home campus!

Testing Dates
PSAT:
October 10, 2018

ACT Testing:
September 8, 2018
October 27, 2018
December 8, 2018
February 9, 2019
April 13, 2019
June 8, 2019

SAT Testing:
August 25, 2018
October 6, 2018
November 3, 2018
December 1, 2018
March 9, 2019
May 4, 2019
June 1, 2019

AP Testing
May 6-17

STAAR/EOC TESTING
April 1 – English I
April 11 – English II
May 6 – Algebra I
May 7 – Biology
May 8 – US History

Winter Exams
Dec 14 – 3 and 7

Half Day Exams:
Dec 17 – 2 and 4
Dec 18 – 1 and 5
Dec 19 – 6 and 8

War Eagle Band Goes to State!!!

Congratulations to the Oak Ridge War Eagle Band and Color Guard for making history this past week. The War Eagle Band/Color Guard qualified for the UIL State Championship which was held last Monday in San Antonio.

The War Eagle Band/Color Guard stepped onto the field to a capacity crowd in the San Antonio Alamodome and threw down their best performance of the season. Before the last note had been played the crowd was on its feet....applauding the incredible performance they had just seen.

243 Class 6A high school bands entered the process over two weeks ago. 41 bands qualified to compete at the UIL State Competition....and when the day was over the War Eagle Band/Color Guard placed 13th overall...making history for the program, the school and for CISD. It now defines the War Eagle Band/Color Guard as one of the premier programs in the State of Texas.

The band and color guard would like to thank the administration and staff of ORHS, the many parent volunteers and our adjunct staff members for their incredible support this entire season. We could not have done this without you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Thank You!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

On Campus Parking

All on campus parking spots have been assigned. If your child did not receive a parking spot on campus, they can purchase Woodforest Parking tags for $35 and park at the stadium. A shuttle bus will deliver them to and from school. Before any tag can be purchased, they must register online. All instructions are located on the ORHS website under parking. Students can contact Ms. Baumann in A215 with any parking questions.

Progress Report Dates

1st 9-weeks:

09/06, 09/27

2nd 9-weeks:

11/01, 11/29

3rd 9-weeks:

01/31, 02/21

4th 9-weeks:

04/11, 05/02, 05/23

Approximate: Report Card Dates (Distributed)

1st 9-weeks:

October 12, 2018

w/student

2nd 9-weeks:

January 11, 2019

w/student

3rd 9-weeks:

March 22, 2019

w/student

4th 9-weeks:

June 7, 2019

Mailed

PTO Meetings

Held in the ORHS Library at 10:30am 2nd Thursday of Each Month

September 13
October 11
November 8
December 13
January 10
February 14
March 7
April 11
May 9
http://oakridgepto.com/

ORHS Has an All-State Bassist!

CONGRATULATIONS to Miss Reilly Curren for qualifying as an All-State Musician! Reilly is the principal bassist in the Chamber Orchestra at Oak Ridge. She is the first non-academy student at Oak Ridge to be named an All-Stater. Reilly will be the assistant principal bassist in the All-State Symphonic Band at the Texas Music Educator's Association Convention in February in San Antonio. Qualifying for an All-State ensemble is the highest honor for a high school musician. Many hours of dedicated time and diligent practice go into preparing the audition music, and even that is not enough. Competition for a place in a Texas All-State ensemble is the toughest in the country. Over 70,000 students across the state begin the All-State audition process every fall, but only a few hundred make it to the end, where they are named an All-State Musician. Reilly, we are so proud of you for your hard work and success!!!

ORHS Annual School-Wide

Holiday Food Drive

We are collecting canned goods and non-perishable food items through 5th period classes the week we return from the Thanksgiving break.

November 26th – 30th

The 5th period class with the most goods donated will be rewarded! Please give what you can to help our ORHS families this holiday season!

School Holidays Early Release Days 2018/2019

Labor Day:
September 3
Early Release
October, 5 @11:25am
Holiday
October 8
Thanksgiving:
November 19-23
Early Release
December 19 @ 11:25
Winter Break:
December 19– January 7
Teacher Work Day
January 7
Students Return
January 8
MLK Day:
January 21
Teacher Staff Development:
February 18
Presidents' Day:
February 19
Early Release Day:
March 8
Spring Break:
March 11-15
Holiday:
April 19-22
Memorial Day:
May 27

College Visits

This semester we have had the incredible opportunity to take some of our juniors and seniors on some college visit field trips. We have been to Texas A&M, University of Houston, Sam Houston State University, Texas State University and University of Texas-San Antonio. It's been fun to see former students while we are there and have even had some ORHS alums talk to our students during our visits, including A&M's student body president, Amy Sharp and a corps of cadets member, Connor Doyel. We are so fortunate to be one of the only schools in the district to give our kids this opportunity.

ORHS PTO News!

Thank you to all those who donated food or time to help with this year's Chili Cookoff! Your support is greatly appreciated!
Join us next Friday, November 16th at Buffalo Wild Wings for this month's Spirit Night. See the attached flyer for more information.

Food Deliveries to School

Oak Ridge High School will not accept student lunch deliveries from a restaurant or from a delivery service such as "doordash." The only lunches that are accepted in the front office are those delivered by a parent or family member and should be picked up in the cafeteria at the Principal's table during the student's lunch period. Thank you for you cooperation.

SENIOR SECTION

Recommendation Letters: *(teachers/staff need a minimum of 10 days to write letters)*

Cap/Gown, and Announcements:
HERFF JONES
281-367-4723
grads@myhjgrad.com
www.myhjgrad.com

Senior Awards Night:
TBA

Cap & Gown Meeting:
TBA

Senior Prom:
May 11 @ The Woodlands Waterway Marriott

Graduation Meeting:
TBA

Senior Picnic:
May 24

Graduation Practice:
May 24

Graduation Tickets:
Distributed after Graduation Practice on May 24

Graduation:
May 28, 2019
7:30pm
Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion

Senior Class Remind 101 Code:
@caff9a

Prom Package $125 until March 1st
Includes 1 prom ticket, 2 senior shirts and senior picnic

Prom/Yearbook Package $210 until February 1st
Includes 1 prom ticket, a yearbook, 2 senior shirts and senior picnic

AP Test Registration Now Open

This year, Conroe ISD high schools are fortunate to be part of the 800 schools around the world implementing new classroom resources, as well as exam registration and ordering processes in College Board's Advanced Placement Program. Included with the change are AP question banks for teachers to utilize which offer students additional practice on actual AP test questions throughout the school year. Additionally, students will utilize their AP accounts to track their personal progress as they build skills assessed on their AP exams in May.

One of the biggest changes is that AP Exams will now be ordered in the fall. This early commitment combined with the additional teacher and student resources should lead to improved performance on exams.

With the cost of four-year colleges continuing to climb, AP and DC courses are more important than ever. At $96, the AP English Language exam (English 1301 & 1302) is the clear winner when compared to $2,286 (plus fees) at Texas A&M or $2,523 (plus fees) at UT Austin.

Test registration is now open on the school webstore – School Cash Online. Regular registration ends Monday, November 5.

$96 Regular Price
$55 Reduced Price (federal fee reduction – free/reduced lunch)
Now – 11/5 = regular registration
11/6 – 11/12 = add $10 per test late fee
11/13 – 2/22 = add $40 per test late fee

Yearbook

Starting November 1, 2018, the yearbooks are now $95.00. Grab yours today! Books can be ordered at www.balfour.com.

How Can We Improve?

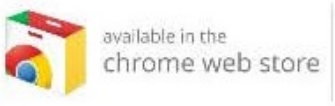
We welcome your suggestions about how we can improve and better serve our students, parents and surrounding community at Oak Ridge High School. We want to hear from you if you have a suggestion, question, comment or concern. Please don't hesitate to contact us! To submit your suggestion you can fill out the form on our website: https://orhs.conroeisd.net/orhs-suggestion-box/

Anonymous Alerts®

Ensuring the safety and security of every student and adult on campus continues to be our top priority at Oak Ridge High School, as well as Conroe ISD. This year, we are fortunate to have an additional tool to help us communicate with students and parents on issues that involve student safety - Anonymous Alerts®. This free app can be downloaded on smartphones and allows students and parents to quickly and anonymously report student safety issues to school staff, as well as Conroe ISD Police. Like KidChat, submissions are monitored 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Please encourage your child to download this free app and use it to report safety issues such as self-harm, drugs, or unusual student behavior. Reports should include as much specific information as possible and can include screenshots, photos, and videos. The login is ***conroeisd***.

This weekend, please use the link below and take a few minutes to watch the Anonymous Alerts® video with your child: AnonymousAlerts overview



To report an absence or tardy update

On the day of the student's absence or tardy a parent or guardian may call the Senior Campus at 832-592-5433 or E-mail attendance at orhs-attendance@conroeisd.net

For the 9th Grade Campus please call 281-465-5012 or E-mail attendance at hstock@conroeisd.net

ORHS Attendance Procedures

To report an absence or tardy:

- **On the day of the student's absence or tardy a parent or guardian may call the Senior Campus at 832-592-5433 or E-mail orhs-attendance@conroeisd.net**
- **Call the Ninth Grade Campus at 281-465-5012.**
- **If you do not report the absence or tardy by phone on the day of absence a note from a parent or guardian with a signature will be required.**
- **Returning students must take their signed notes to the attendance office before or after school or during their lunch period.**

Check In/Out Procedures:

- **All students must sign in and out through the attendance office.**
- **If a student driver needs to leave campus, a note including the name, date, time leaving and parent signature and phone number is required.**
- **All notes to leave early must be taken to the attendance office the first thing in the morning.**
- **All guardians picking students up must present a photo ID upon signing their student out.**
- **If a person needs to pick up a student who is not on their pick-up list, the guardian may add them using the Student Pick Up form located in the attendance office. (If the form is not signed at the attendance office, the guardian must have the form notarized.)**
- **The Emergency Clinic form may not be used for pick up purposes due to HIPPA laws.**
- **The cut-off time for early pick-up is 2:15.**

Regards,

Tommy Johnson, Principal

New Way to Pay!

The WebStore has been replaced with School Cash Online. This system operates differently from the WebStore in that any item that is available for purchase by your student appears on your account. Because of this, your child's account will have many optional items listed that they may not be interested in. Class fees will appear as required and if they are not paid by the due date, the fee will appear as past due. When setting up your account, keep in mind purchases will only appear on the online account for each login, and not on all online accounts for that student. Knowing this, please consider having one account per household so everyone in the household can use the same account and see their online purchases, which is required for some items. School Cash Online will allow multiple students attending any CISD school to be added to one login.

Setting up your child's account on School Cash Online is easy, and only takes few steps.

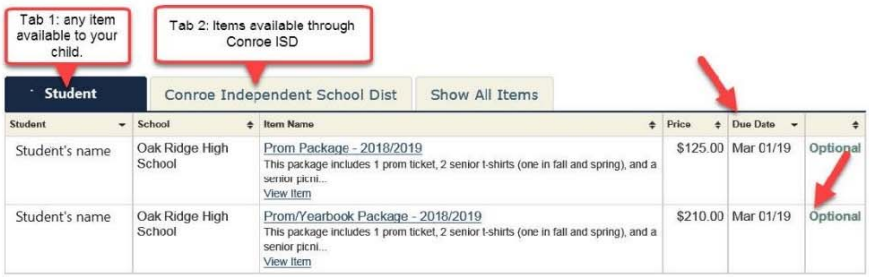
****Please consider making only one account per household since purchases made on your login are only viewable to you. For example, if a parent and a student each have their own logins, and the parent pays for the prom/yearbook package, the student cannot view this purchase on their account and therefore will not have the receipt that is needed to pick-up their shirts. The information does however appear on their student account at the school, but we cannot reprint the receipts for the students. ****

Visit conroeisd.schoolcashonline.com

1. Click *Get Started Today*.
2. Complete all 3 steps in User Registration.
3. Upon completion, you will receive a confirmation email to complete your registration.
4. The first time you log in, you will need to add your Child(ren). This site will let you add all of your children to one account, alleviating the need for multiple accounts. For each student added to your account, you will need their student ID, last name as it appears with the district, and their birth date.

Using School Cash Online is easy.

- The first tab will have your child's name, and will contain all fees, club dues, t-shirts, fines, etc. that are available to your child. Several items will appear under your child's account, but that does not mean you owe for all of the fees. The right hand column will show if a fee is optional, required, or past due.
- The second tab is for all items available through the district. For instance, this is where you will pay for PSAT test prep courses, SAT test prep, ACT test prep, etc. Be careful not to pay for dues and fees on this tab that belong to another school (listed in the second column).
- The due date is listed, which means the item will be available until that date.
- If the fee is optional, the item will no longer be available for purchase after that date. However, if the charge is required, the item will not be removed and it will now show as past due.



Oak Ridge High School PTO
2018 – 2019 Membership Form

The ORHS PTO is the only organization that serves all ORHS students, faculty and staff! The PTO assists with scholarships for students, sponsors programs for parents, provides volunteers, and celebrates faculty and staff.

Please join us in our commitment and join today!

Membership dues are the primary source of funding for ORHS PTO

Please complete the form below and return to:
ORHS PTO, 27330 Oak Ridge School Rd, Conroe, TX 77385

Membership Information: PRINT LEGIBLY

Parent/Guardian Name:_____
Email address: _____

Opportunities to Volunteer:

____ Fundraising
___ Operation Graduation
____ Help where needed
____ Homecoming Dance Chaperone
____ Staff Appreciation

Fees and Donations: (make check ***payable*** to ORHS PTO)

PTO Membership - $10 per family.....$_____

Additional Donation.....$_____

Check #_____/Cash Total $_____

Notes:

PayPal orhspto@gmail.com

Parent / Guardian Copy

CONNECT WITH US

www.orhspto.org

Oak Ridge War Eagles PTO

orhspto@gmail.com

@ORHSPTO

2018 – 2019 Meeting Dates

Senior Campus' Library @ 10:30 a.m., 2nd Thursday

September 13, 2018
October 11, 2018
November 8, 2018
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May 9, 2019

Remind 101 : Text the message @orhspt to 81010

Parent Access to Canvas Information

Parent Canvas Accounts

In Canvas parents will be enrolled as an Observer in their child(s) course(s).

What can Parents do in a Canvas course?

In Canvas, parents will have limited permission that will allow them to see what is going on in the course without interrupting the flow of daily course communication. Parents will not be able to submit work on behalf of their children, but they can view their grades, upcoming Assignments, read Announcements and Discussion, course Calendar, and interaction in the course.

How do I sign up for a Canvas account as a Parent?

Parents must provide their own personal email address to their children's school (make sure that it's the same address if multiples children as different schools are enrolled). If no email address is on file in the system an account cannot be created.

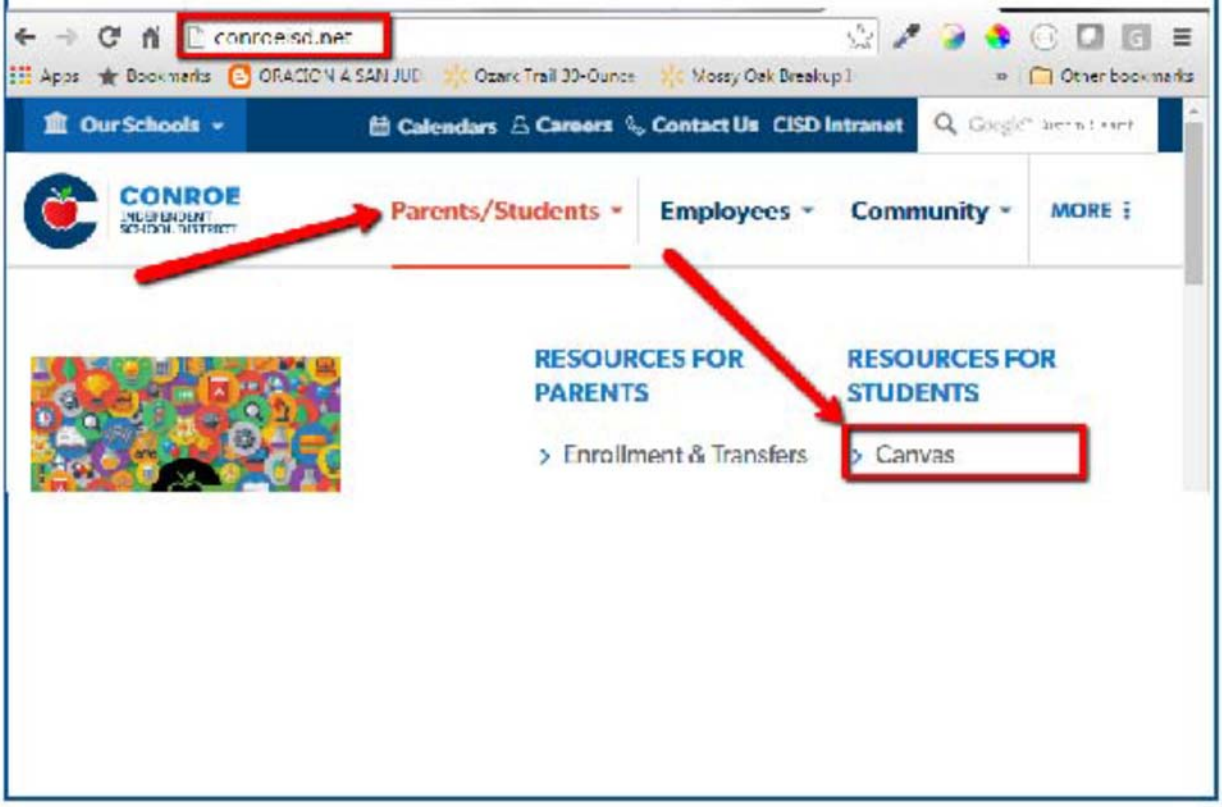
Where do I go to log in?

Canvas works best with Chrome, in the URL address bar type in:

https://conroeisd.instructure.com

Or head over to **www.conroeisd.net** which is the districts main website and click on the "Parent/Students" link

Click on "Canvas" listed under "Resources for Students"



Marquee Birthday Announcements

REQUEST FORM

*Student's Name:*_____
(Please Print Neatly)

*Student's Birthday:*_____

*Parent/Guardian's Name:*_____
(Please Print)

*Parent/Guardian's Signature:*_____

*Phone Number:*_____

Announcement will run for 24 hours.

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Circle desired announcement format:

Option #1

Happy ##th Birthday, Student's Name

Option #2

Happy Birthday, Student's Name

Cost is $20.00 (cash or check payable to O.R.H.S.)
Checks accepted with signer's drivers' license number, date of birth and phone number written on the check.***Completed Announcement Request Form and payment must be received 3 school days prior to announcement date. For questions or additional information please contact Mrs. Vein at (832)592-5541.***