



## Student Good News

Senior Ilya Pound (Anadarko) has been accepted to Hendrix College, University of Tulsa and the University of Oklahoma.

Students, a reminder to share good news about awards, honors and college acceptances to place in *Parents Weekly*.

## Math Contest Merits High Scores

The fourth contest of the Oklahoma Mathematics League was held this week. Senior Jimmy Wu (Norman/North) scored a perfect 6 on the exam. Top scorers who made a 5 include juniors Joseph Ahn (Tulsa/Union), Josh Karinshak (Lawton/Academy of Arts and Sciences), seniors Connor Sell (Broken Arrow/Regent Preparatory), Jack Surine (Inola) and Nafis Zaman (Norman/North). Students who made a 4 include juniors John Friend (Broken Arrow/South), John Kreidler (Edmond), Hunter Lyon (Chandler/Davenport) and senior Sabino Osornio (Sulphur). Solid performance!



## Beijing Students Arrive For Visit

A group of students and a teacher from Beijing No. 4 High School will arrive Saturday, January 26, to visit OSSM for nearly three weeks until Thursday, February 14. The Chinese visitors will attend daily classes and reside in the dormitory. They will also participate in special events and activities, such as attending an Oklahoma City Thunder basketball game and touring the Oklahoma State Capitol and National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. OSSM host families have been designated and will take the students to their homes over a weekend in early February. However, there is still a need for individuals or families to host outings for the instructor, especially during the weekend of February 9-10, when her students will be off-campus visiting their hosts' homes. To volunteer, please contact OSSM's Director of Development, Ms. Pam Felactu, at 405.522.7804 or [pam.felactu@ossm.edu](mailto:pam.felactu@ossm.edu).



### **Excellence Demonstration!**

During this week's assembly, Professor Jack Gleason recognized December Citizens of the Month for displaying leadership qualities by setting a good example for others in their community in residence. Honored students include seniors Alyssa Rudelis (Edmond/Deer Creek), Alanna Riederer (Lawton/Eisenhower), Jang Kim (Midwest City/Choctaw), Sabino Osornio (Sulphur), Ethan Wood (Crescent) and Suzi Barboza-Pacheco (Okla. City/Midwest City).

## OCU Chemist To Address Students

Next week's assembly speaker will be Stephen Prilliman. Dr. Prilliman is a native of Oklahoma City and a graduate of Northwest Classen High School. He received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from Rice University and a Ph.D. in chemistry from the University of California, Berkeley, where he conducted research on high-pressure phase transitions of nano-crystalline materials. Following graduation, Dr. Prilliman helped start Harding Charter Preparatory High School in Oklahoma City where he taught Pre-AP and AP Chemistry for six years. Dr. Prilliman is now an associate professor of chemistry and the department chairperson at Oklahoma City University where he teaches general chemistry. His research interests include chemical misconceptions, creating, assessing and disseminating inquiry-based teaching methods, and the improvement of secondary science education in urban schools. Parents are welcome to attend the assembly. – **Nathan Jia, Senior**



## College Reps Come To Campus

11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Great Hall  
Leslee Paret, Baylor University, February 1  
Emily Dimmitt, Oklahoma City University, February 4

## Apply For Arts Excellent Awards



Seniors, applications for the Superintendent Awards for Arts Excellence are now available. The awards recognize senior high school students who have achieved artistic and academic excellence and have contributed service to their communities. Those students who meet the criteria are encouraged to apply for one of several awards. The deadline for applications is Friday, March 1. Students who are selected to receive awards will be notified on Friday, April 5. The ceremony will take place Thursday, April 25, at the Scottish Rite Temple in Guthrie. For more information or to fill out the application, go to [ok.gov/sde/sites/ok.gov.../Awards for Arts Student App 2012.pdf](http://ok.gov/sde/sites/ok.gov.../Awards%20for%20Arts%20Student%20App%202012.pdf).

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## Place Graduation Order Monday

A representative from Stanley's Graduate Services will be in the dormitory to take orders on Monday, January 21, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. **All seniors must order a cap and gown.** Other graduation items for sale are discretionary. Visit <http://www.ossm.edu/student-life/dean-of-students/>.

## Thank You To . . .

Juniors Casey Cai (Broken Arrow/Union), Christopher Compton (Welling/Tahlequah), Dalton Gilpatrick (Mangum), Joyce Su (Durant), Jessica Tschida (Fort Gibson) and Nate Wakefield (Tishomingo) for allowing prospective students to shadow them during school.



**White Board!**  
Dr. Kurt Bachmann teaches students about vectors in his Friday morning Mechanics class.




## Happy Students Spring Semester



## Dorm Closes, Long Weekend Here

The dorm will close today and reopen Monday, January 21, at 3 p.m. The Parents Association's meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Come hear an update on the 2013 Oklahoma Legislative Session from OSSM President Dr. Frank Wang and Jerrod Shouse, lobbyist and government relations consultant. Classes resume Tuesday, January 22.

## Happy Birthday To . . .

Nathan Jia		January 20
Sidney Spieker		January 21
Dr. Farideh Samadzadeh		January 22
McKenzie Boswell, Mr. David Walker		January 23
Professor Peggy Wolf		January 26