



Miller's Memos

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Shout out to... Central High and AP students

Central High School's Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps Academic Team finished in 18th place nationally out of more than 1,700 Army JROTC programs. The academic bowl consists of questions on the ACT exam and is timed. We salute these students for their academic success at nationals and commend them for their hard work and preparation!
GO EAGELS!

The Advanced Placement (AP) program is available in all seven OPS high schools and offers students the opportunity to take college level courses in a high school setting. Several students in OPS were awarded several honors based on their scores on various exams. Congratulate these students for their exceptional achievement on the college level Advanced Placement Program courses and exams. Well done students!

Future Meetings

- OEA Board 11/7
- AR 11/13
- EMAC 11/15
- Instructional Advocacy 11/20
- Comp/Benefits 11/
- PCR and Retirement 11/21
- Membership 11/28
- PACE 11/29
- Governance 11/13

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Mark Your Calendars

Many teachers in OPS have utilized the NSEA Children's Fund to make sure the basic needs for students are met for their students. A simple phone call to NSEA to request a specific item and a voucher is typically sent ASAP. We have this fund because of educators and their continuous contribution throughout years. OEA has organized this fundraiser and OPS staff have participated in a jeans week over the years. Our first JEANS WEEK is set for November 5-8, you can pay \$5 and wear jeans the entire week! Your AR should have talked with your Principal about the support the district is giving in the effort to raise funds for the NSEA Children's Fund through offering staff to participate. We look forward to seeing the support from ALL the staff of OPS.

Sound the Alarm, Save a Life

Every day, seven people die in home fires, most in homes that lack working smoke alarms. Sadly, children and the elderly disproportionately lose their lives. The American Red Cross wants to improve the odds and save lives and launched the Home Fire Campaign in 2014.

A critical part of the campaign is Sound the Alarm, a series of home fire safety and smoke alarm installation events across the country. Red Cross volunteers, along with fire departments and other partners canvass at-risk neighborhoods, installing free smoke alarms, replacing batteries in existing alarms, and providing fire prevention and safety education. In just three years, they've accomplished so much, including the installation of more than 1 million smoke alarms and prepared more than 1 million people against home fires through our home visits. If you need to request a smoke alarm, please visit <https://getasmokealarm.org/> or call the Heartland Chapter of the Red Cross at 800-RED-CROSS.

Where's Miller?

I am paying it back to the hard-working Association Reps (AR) who represents the members within their buildings. Each month at the AR meeting a name is drawn, I allow that teacher to select a day that works for them to have a day off. I then sub for them for the day with NO loss of days to them. I have subbed at Harrison Elementary in 3rd grade, it was a great day and a BIG SHOUT OUT to Ms. Brodkey and her students. During the October AR, Mrs. Reed was selected. Next week I will be heading to Druid Hill to teach the Pre-K students. This is a great opportunity to be back in the classroom and giving back to the amazing educators! Where will I be next month? Stay tuned...

