



ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC.

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Summer 2020



ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC. CLASS OF 2020 MAY 22, 2020

We congratulate our 50 seniors on their accomplishments.

Fourteen students are being recognized by the South Carolina Independent School Association as SCISA Honor Graduates for having scored at least 1100 on the SAT and obtaining a 3.5 grade point average for each of seven semesters. **Twenty-five** students are graduating with high honors which mean they have a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 or higher. Furthermore, Orangeburg Prep has **four** students receiving the Palmetto Fellows Award. To receive the Palmetto a student must score at least 1200 on the SAT or 27 on the ACT, earn a cumulative 3.5 GPA, and rank in the top six percent of their class. A student who is not in the top six percent of his/her class may earn the Palmetto by scoring either 1400 on the SAT or 32 on the ACT and earn a cumulative 4.0 GPA.

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The Valedictorian for the Class of 2020 is Nhi Phuong Nguyen Ngo. Nhi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phuong Ngo. She is a Palmetto Fellows Scholar, member of the National Honor Society, Student Body Treasurer, High School Math Team, and Environthon team. She served as a delegate to Palmetto Girls State her junior year. Nhi will attend the University of South Carolina in the fall majoring in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

The Salutatorian for the Class of 2020 is Carter James Chandler. Carter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darren Chandler. He is a Palmetto Fellows Scholar, member of the National Honor Society, and High School Math Team. As a junior, he served as a delegate to Palmetto Boys State and received the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Award as a sophomore. He is a volunteer at Cornerstone Community Church. Carter will attend the University of South Carolina Honors College in the fall majoring in Computer Science.



College Bound

Citadel Bridge

Clemson Bridge

Clemson University

College of Charleston

Columbia International University

Columbia Southern University

Francis Marion

Midlands Technical College

Newberry College

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College

Palm Beach State College

Presbyterian College

The Citadel

Tri-County Technical College

University of South Carolina

University of South Carolina Beaufort

University of South Carolina Gateway

University of South Carolina Honors

University of South Carolina Salkehatchie

University of South Carolina Upstate

Jackson Franga

Cierra Banks, Lindsay Salley

GeorgiaAnne Craig, Andrew Felkel, David Jones, Bailey Livingston, Thomas Williams

Brianna Allen

Timothy Junious

Bryce Shelton

Payton Harris

Taylor Boozer, Harrison Miller

Madison Childers

Zach Causey, Cory Collins, Katie Connelley, Emilee-Clare Fanning, Faith Foreback, Justin Hiatt, Brianna Mitchell, T. J. Moore, Danielle Moseley, Taylor Pratt, Savannah Shannon, Dylan Snelgrove, Kaylee Thomas

Amari Bryant

Morgan Davis

Will Summers, Billy Workman

Emma Sauls

Tanner Aimar, Kaitlyn Antley-Robinson, Benjamin Davis, Austin Jackson, Davis Mack, Nhi Ngo, Kaylee Schurlknight, Bailey Williams, JoJo Wolfe

Arrin Anderson, Cassidy Craven

Ashlyn Buff, Will Shaw

Carter Chandler

Haylee McMahan, Josh Palmer

Hunter McClain

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*A Special
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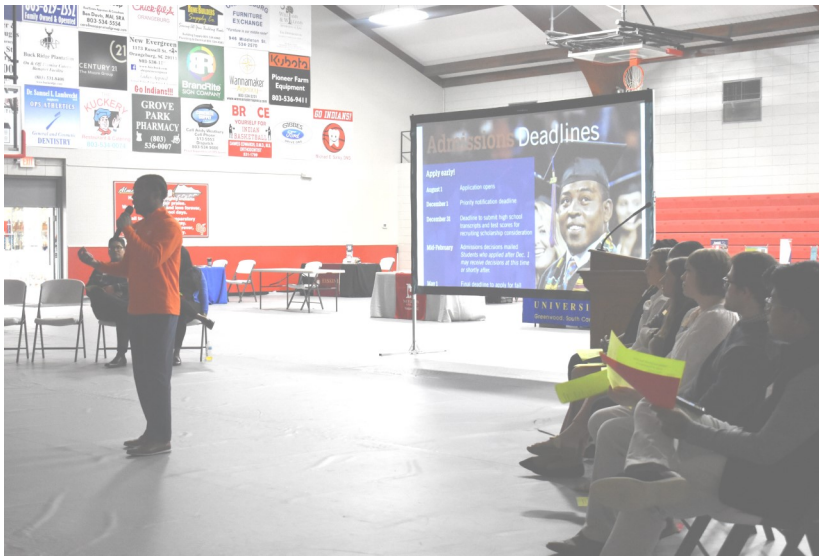
Chaperones for the Senior Class Trip were Barbara Askins, Dr. Hurst, Rebecca and Cameron Felsher, and Michelle Waters.



The Class of 2020 enjoyed their senior class trip the week of March 9th—16th. Points visited during the week were Charlottesville, VA (Monticello), Baltimore, MD (Inner Harbor, Fort McHenry and Phillips Seafood--oh those crab cakes!) and Washington, D.C. (U.S. Capitol, Library of Congress, Supreme Court, Smithsonian, Union Station, D.C. Monuments, and a performance at the Kennedy Center).

This year the weather was cool at the beginning of the week, but by the end of the week the group experienced temperatures in the high 70s and 80s with buds on the cherry trees! It was a great trip and a most memorable one for the Class of 2020.

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Orangeburg Prep held its **College Awareness Day** Tuesday, March 10, 2020. Fourteen colleges/universities were in attendance. Each representative gave a brief presentation to grades 8-12 highlighting majors, upcoming events, GPA's, and test score requirements, financial aid opportunities, etc. After the presentations, representatives were available to our students for questions.



2020 Graduation Marshals left to right:

Front row: Sam Brenn, Gabrielle McCoskey, Cate Williams, Madison Weeks, and Jace Hiers

Back row: Brison Ardis, Tanner Garrick, Brady Crider, Peyton Inabinet, Noland Boney, and Matthew Murdaugh.

Not pictured are Graham Smith and Emily Kruger. To be considered, the student must have attended Orangeburg Prep in the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. Eligibility is determined on the basis of a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 and is ranked in the top 12 of their class.

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Mrs. LaDan Brown Selected OPS New Head of School

Mrs. LaDan Brown has been unanimously selected as the next Head of School for Orangeburg Prep effective April 2020. Mrs. Brown has been a part of SCISA for the previous sixteen years, serving as a teacher, department chair, high school administrator, AdvancED evaluator, Assistant Head of School, and Interim Head of School at Orangeburg Prep for the past semester. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from Columbia College and is currently enrolled in the Masters program at Arkansas State University with an expected graduation of May 2021. We are confident in Mrs. Brown's abilities and experience as she moves into a permanent role.

TOMMY WANNAMAKER AWARD: This award is the highest award any student can attain at Orangeburg Preparatory Schools, Inc. The award is given in memory of Thomas Elliot Wannamaker, Jr. who was born November 3, 1933, the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Elliot Wannamaker and the brother of the late Lyall Wannamaker Plumb, the late Robert Boyd Wannamaker, and Dr. Braxton Bryant Wannamaker. Tommy died at the age of 31 in November of 1964. Mr. Wannamaker's profound interest and personal assistance during the early days of Wade Hampton Academy, one of our parent schools, is commemorated by the annual presentation of the award to a member of the senior class. This award is based on scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Part of the criteria for the Tommy Wannamaker Award is one's contribution to the school.

*Each year a plaque symbolizing this award is presented at graduation to a student in the senior class nominated by the faculty. This year's recipient is **Emilee-Clare Fanning** (pictured right.)*



Frances Breland Smith

Daughter of Coach Brooks (Class of 2005) and Olivia Smith

April 16th, 2020

8 lbs. 5oz.

19 and half inches long.

Welcomed home by big brother Banks who is two years old.



Tilly Anne McNair

Daughter of Coach Barkley (Class of 2010) and

Ryan McNair

June 15, 2020 11:51 a.m.

8 lbs. 10 oz.

21 1/4 in long



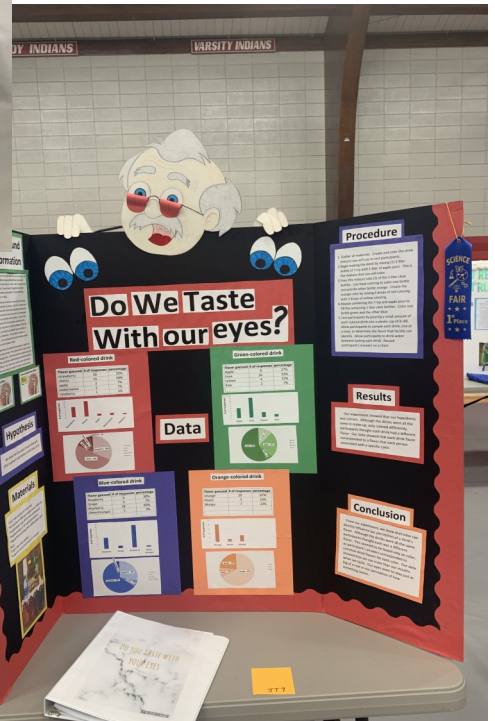
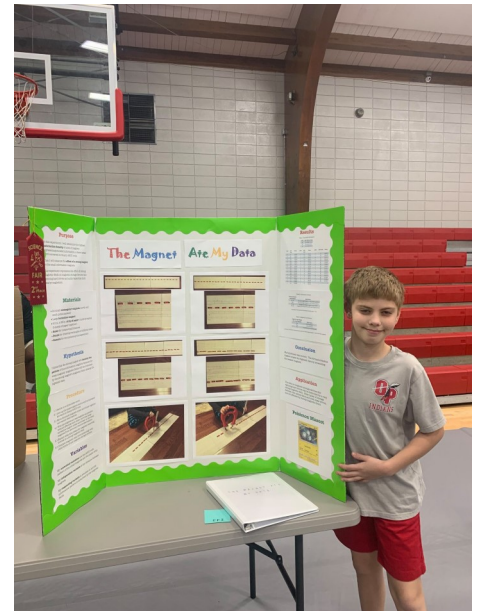
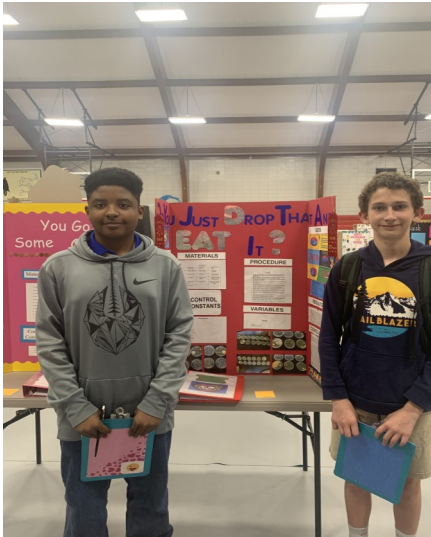
Edisto Electric Cooperative selected Noland Boney for a once-in-a-life-time experience. Noland was to travel to Washington, D.C., in June and/or Columbia in July as part of experiences that connect students from across the state with government leaders. The COVID-19 outbreak forced the cancellation. Noland will have the opportunity to connect with new friends on a Virtual Youth Experience June 19-26 through an internet-based video conferencing system. Influential speakers will include Governor McMaster, Senator Graham, Senator Tim Scott, and more. He will have the opportunity to earn a \$5,000 college scholarship by working in teams.

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SCIENCE FAIR

Take a look at our list of winners along with photos from the Orangeburg Prep Science Fair! The science fair was held on Thursday, March 12th, and Friday, March 13th.



2020 OPS Science Fair

Some examples of projects that were entered at the OPS Science fair are shown. Over 200 projects were entered from grades three through twelve.

Science Fair Winners and Placements March 2020



Divisions:

Elementary Team

1st: Callee Hartzog & Brooke Fogle
 2nd: Manav Pandya & Aarav Patel
 Tied for 3rd: Sarah Beth Fogle, Baxley Helmke, Jacob Fogle
 3rd: Emmaline Dangerfield & Mary Legare Delaney

Elementary (Environmental/General)

1st: Campbell Bowers
 2nd: Tillman Zeigler
 3rd: Luke Davis

Elementary Physical Science

1st: Logan Jackson
 2nd: Owen Lovingood
 3rd: Hollison Smith

Junior Team

1st: Lauren Tant & Maddie Till
 2nd: Milligan Nance & Spencer Jordan
 3rd: Hannah Lambrecht & Zoe Wingard

Junior General Science -

1st: Carley Fairey
 2nd: Kylee Bonnette
 3rd: Lauren Ballew

Junior Environmental/Invention & Engineering

1st: Grayson Bowers
 2nd: John Inabinet
 3rd: Brayden Gramling

Junior Behavioral –Biological

1st: Elizabeth Allen Brailsford
 2nd: Kaydence McLendon
 3rd: Lily-Katherine Felkel

Junior Physical Science-

1st: Jack McConnell
 2nd: Sean Green
 3rd: Jack Laird

Senior Physical Science –

1st: Corey Reynolds
 2nd: Timmy McCoskey
 3rd: John Wren Best

Senior Invention/Engineering &Team

1st: Paige Hewitt
 2nd: Team - Taylor Boozer, Nhi Ngo & Brianna Allen
 3rd: Team – John Mack, Ayden Westbury & Jackson Childers

Senior Environment/General-

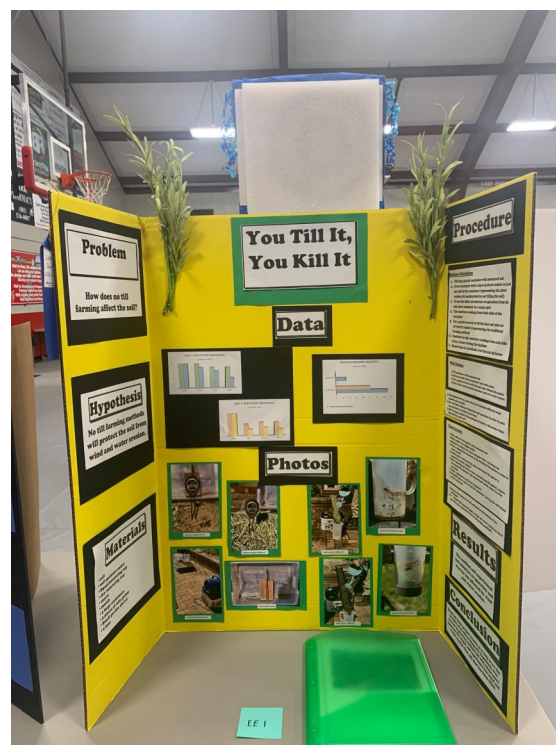
1st: Kaitlyn Robinson
 2nd: Forrest Sutcliffe
 3rd: Lane Inabinet

Advancing to the SCISA State Science Fair are:

Campbell Bowers
 Carley Fairey
 Corey Reynolds

Grayson Bowers
 Kaitlyn Robinson
 Paige Hewitt

Team – Lauren Tant & Maddie Till





Channing Warren Bozard

Son of Warren (Class of 1991)
and Jessica Bozard
Born May 5, 2020
8 lbs. 12 oz. 20.5 inches long
He was welcomed home by
two brothers and two sisters.
The Bozards live in Cameron, S.C.



Bowen Harrison Fort

Son of Josh (Class of 2003)
and Caitlin Fort
Born April 13, 2020
7 lbs. 13 oz.
21.5 inches long
The Forts reside in Charleston, S.C.



Hayne Fender Moore

Son of Richard and
Kayla Sanford Moore (Class of 2002)
Born December 8, 2019
8 lbs. 3 oz. 21. inches long
Hayne was welcomed home by big sisters
Carrigan (10 years old) and Rylin (6 years old)
The Moores reside in Lodge, S.C.



Emery Lane Williams

Daughter of Steven and
Brittney Berry (Class of 2010) Williams
Born March 21, 2020
7 lbs. 3 oz.
19. inches long
The Williams' reside in Springfield, S.C.
Welcomed home by big sister, Landry
Reagan, 4 years old.



Mr. & Mrs. Marion McCurry

(Marion, Class of 2014)
Married October 19, 2019
Resides in Charlotte, North Carolina



Mr. & Mrs. Robert McCurry

(Robert, Class of 2009)
Married April 18, 2020
Resides in Raleigh, North Carolina



Although the Orangeburg Prep Track season was cut short, we would like to recognize some individuals for outstanding performances. The following members of the Indian Track team qualified for the New Balance National Invitational in the Middle School Division: Anna Katherine Evatt (Discus/Shot Put), Grayson Bowers (High Jump), and Blake Croft (Triple Jump/Long Jump/High Jump). This meet is set to be held July 16th - 19th at North Carolina A&T University in Greensboro. We would also like to congratulate Anna Katherine Evatt on setting a new school record in the Shot Put with a mark of 33 feet 4 inches.

The Orangeburg Prep Track Team held a pork chop fundraiser on Saturday, December 7th. Members of the team sold over 400 tickets, made delicious desserts, prepped food and helped to plate the pork chops, green beans, and potatoes for the fundraiser. Thanks to the hard work of the team and the support of the Orangeburg Prep Family we were able to raise over three thousand dollars for a new fully automated timing system. We would like to give a special thank you to Jamie and Darryl Kennerly for preparing the meal, Lee Wiles for donating supplies, Mrs. Michele and the lunchroom staff for allowing us to use the facility, and Mrs. Robin Smith for helping run the bake sale.



Congratulations to several of our OPS anglers for recently participating in several fishing tournaments on the Cooper River. Pictured are Cameron Weeks, Hayden Felder, Preston Wells, John Wren Best, Caden Bramblett and Jackson Hutto.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
8:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.**

Closed week of July 6th

How the Coronavirus Reshaped 4th Quarter

March 16th
April 1st
April 16th
May 7th
May 11th
May 15th
May 18th
May 19th
May 20th
May 21st
May 22nd

School Closure Due to Coronavirus / Parents pickup assignments from teachers 9-12 noon
School Assignment pick up day (Virtual Learning Extended due to Governor McMaster's Orders)
Drive-through cap and gown pickup
Yearbook Distribution
Virtual Sports Athletic Awards
Official Last Day of School 19-20
Fifth Grade Graduation
Virtual Academic Awards
Athletic Awards Pickup
Graduation Practice / Senior Picnic
Academic Signing / Graduation

The coronavirus pandemic has quickly expanded our vocabularies. We've learned new terms, like [COVID-19](#), [social distancing](#), and [flatten the curve](#). We've learned important distinctions, such as [epidemic vs. pandemic](#), [quarantine vs. isolation](#), and [respirator vs. ventilators](#).



Open House

**August 11, 2020
6-7:00 p.m.**

Important School Opening Information

**Thursday, August 13
Wednesday, August 19
Tuesday, August 25
Wednesday, August 26**

School Opens (4K-12th) 11:30 Dismissal
Pictures for Grades 6th through 11th
Pictures for Grades 1st through 5th
Pictures for 4K, 5K,
Child Development Center

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Tossing Graduation Caps — May 22, 2020

Good Luck, Class of 2020!

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Lower Campus (Four year old Preschool—Grade 5)

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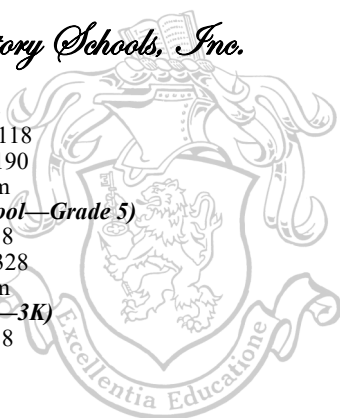
Phone: 803/536-3000 Fax: 803/535-2328

Email: loweroffice@orangeburgprep.com

Child Development Center (Six weeks—3K)

168 Prep Street, Orangeburg, S.C. 29118

Phone: 803/536-0490



Mrs. LaDan Brown, Head of School
Mrs. Leslie Whitlock, Lower Campus Administrator
Coach Jan Stoudenmire, Athletic Director
Mrs. Taylor Riley, Guidance Counselor
Mrs. June Kemp, Child Development Center Director
Mrs. Sandy Reed, Tribal Talk Editor

This newsletter serves to inform parents, faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends of Orangeburg Prep. Suggestions for articles, stories, etc. may be submitted by contacting Sandy Reed at 803.534.7970 or sreed@orangeburgprep.com.

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