



Orem Junior High School
765 North 600 West
Orem, UT 84057

Together We Learn For Life—2016-2017 Stakeholder Report

We are excited about the consistent progress that the students at OJHS have made for many years. We have been designated as a Title 1 School of Distinction for several years. We have a lot to celebrate and we are optimistic about our future. We look forward to further improvements.

Thank you PTSA and SCC

We are grateful to our PTSA for the many volunteer hours donated to OJHS. One of the reasons our FLEX time has been successful in helping



students achieve more is because our PTSA has fully supported it. Their selfless service is appreciated.

We also appreciate our School Community Council for the time and input they give to help us in our quest for continuous improvement. They help develop the school improvement plan and determine how we spend our Trustlands money.

Trustlands Accountability

One of the responsibilities of our School Community Council is to determine how to spend our Trustlands money. This year, the majority of the money will be spent on providing three things:

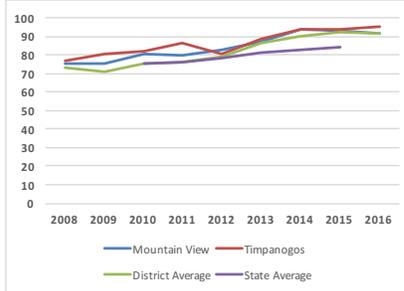
- Summer collaboration days for teachers to sharpen their curriculum
- Teaching tools for classrooms
- Teacher training opportunities to improve instruction and learning

If you are interested in serving on the SCC, please talk to Mr. Jolley. SCC elections are held around our Back to School Night in the fall. You are also always welcome at SCC meetings. Our school improvement plan and SCC meeting schedule are found online. We appreciate the input our SCC gives to help OJHS be the best it can be.

Visit Orem Junior High online! <http://oremjr.alpineschools.org>

Working toward Graduation

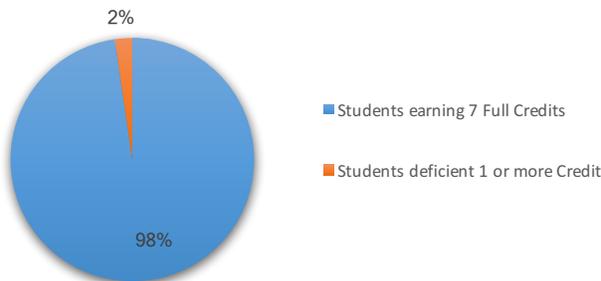
The percentage of our students graduating from high school has consistently increased. Both Mountain View and Timpanogos exceeded 90% graduation rate this year. We are proud to contribute to that success. We send very few students to the high school credit deficient.



The graph shows a comparison of graduation rates at Mountain View and Timpanogos High Schools. The increase in graduation shows about 120 more students graduated from each high school in 2015 than in 2008. We are been pleased with the efforts of our students and teachers to increase the number of students who earn seven full credits each year. Our efforts to send students to the high school prepared helped these schools increase their graduation rates.

2015-16

9th grade student credit comparison



SAGE Assessment System

We completed the third year of the SAGE tests developed by the Utah State Office of Education. These new tests are quite different from any standardized tests that have been administered to Utah students in the past. Tests in the past have focused on basic skills and knowledge. SAGE tests ask students to go much further and be able to apply their knowledge. Instead of trying to communicate if students have achieved basic competencies, SAGE estimates if students are on track for college readiness. This is a much higher standard and we look forward to the challenge of getting all students prepared for education beyond high school.

Working to help all students

Title 1 Information

Orem Junior High was designated as a Title 1 school in the Spring of 2009. **In 2012, 2013 and again in 2014, Orem Junior High was recognized as a Title 1 school of distinction.** This means that OJHS was one of the highest performing Title 1 schools in the state. In 2014, OJHS was again the ONLY traditional public junior high school to receive this honor. As this report demonstrates, we have made great progress in our first seven years as a Title 1 school.

If you are interested in seeing our Title 1 plan in its entirety, you are welcome to stop by the office or visit our website. Also, if you

are interested in the qualifications of your student's teachers, you are welcome to request that information. Currently, we meet the "highly qualified" requirements.

If you ever want to give input on our Title 1 plan please contact Mr. Jolley.

Also, if you would like to address concerns, complaints, discrimination, or violation of federal regulations concerning the Title 1 programs you may register a complaint with Mr. Jolley.

Latinos in Action

The OJHS Latinos in Action group is doing great things. This



group consists of 22 outstanding bilingual 9th graders. Their main purpose is to serve the community. Every "B" day they go to Bonneville Elementary School to help tutor young Latino students in math and English, serving as role models to these students. They also translate for parents at events like parent conferences and Back to School Night. We are proud of the work they do and the way they represent Orem Junior

Increased Student Success F Grades Given

Decreasing Failure Rate

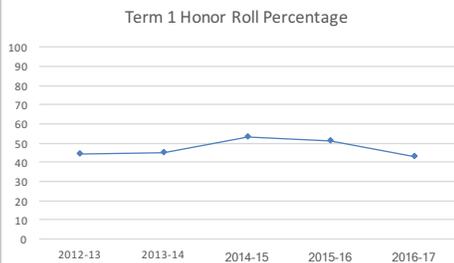
One of our priorities is to do all we can to help every student graduate from high school. A key to achieving this goal is helping students succeed in every class. We will continue to strive to help every child pass every class.

FLEX

A major reason for student success has been FLEX which has been part of Orem Junior High for seven years. The benefits of FLEX are dramatic. FLEX provides students with 35 minutes of daily support built into the school day (Tues-Fri.) Our failure rate has dropped considerably due to FLEX. We continue to refine FLEX and other interventions so students receive the help they need, even when they are already passing.

Students are given a list of all missing assignments for all classes every Tuesday morning. Students are required to complete these missing assignments in FLEX or at home. This accountability influenced the number of students achieving honor roll.

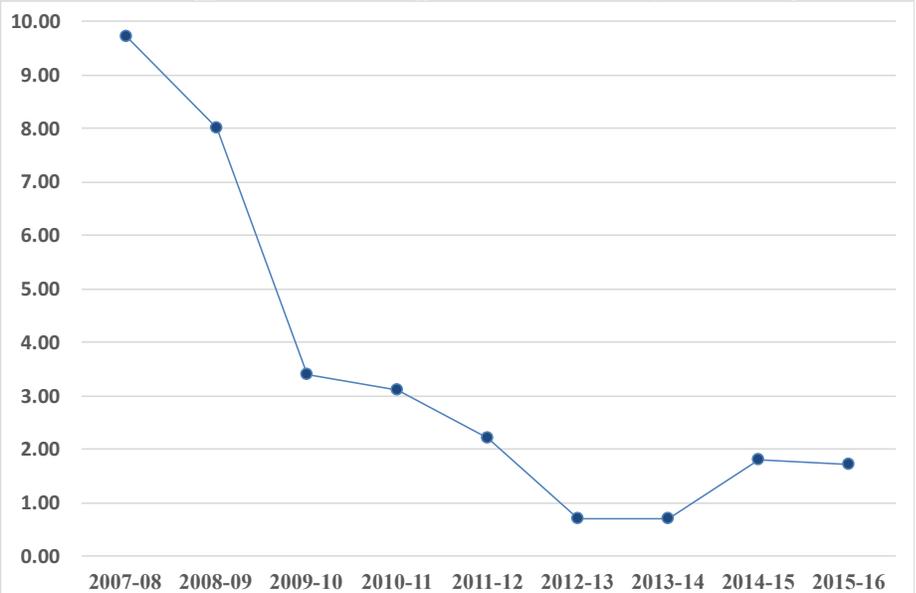
Advanced Opportunities



OJHS provides opportunities for students to go beyond the classroom. These include:

- Knowledge Bowl
- Geography Bee
- Gifted & Talented / Honors Classes
- 4H Clubs
- Drama / Music / Art Opportunities
- Science Investigators

(percentages in left y-axis)



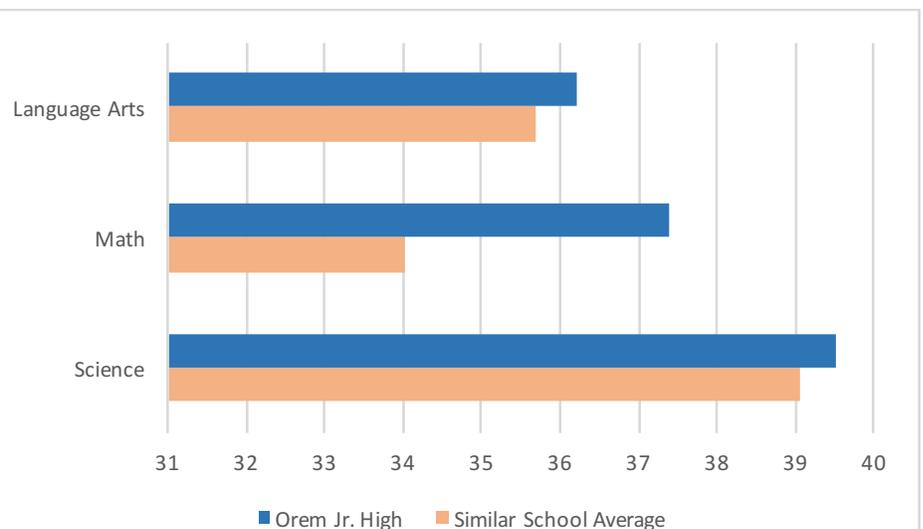
Schools Similar to OJH

State data allows us the opportunity to compare Orem Junior High School with schools that have similar demographics and socioeconomic status. As shown in the graph below, OJH students perform very well in comparison to these schools in all subject areas.

While this is an indication of the quality of instruction at OJHS, we are still striving for improvement, and are fully aware that we can continue to grow.

Our goal is to prepare every student for post high school education. Therefore, graduation becomes a crucial intermediate goal, and we will strive to help every student get to the high school on track for graduation.

2016 Similar School Sage Data Comparison



Student Opportunities

Career & Technical Education

- Clothing
- Communications Technology
- Computer Technology
- Computers
- CTE Intro
- Digital Literacy
- Exploring Technology
- Exploring Computer Science
- Foods
- Keyboarding
- Metals
- Teen Living
- Woods

English

- English (7,8,9)
- English Workshop
- Gifted & Talented English
- Honors 9 English
- Read 180

Fine Arts

- Art I & II
- Ceramics I & II
- Debate
- Drawing I
- Drama

- Communication Skills
- Acapella
- Women's Choir
- Bella Voce
- Concert Choir
- Band Intermediate
- Jr. Beginning Brass
- Jr. Beginning Woodwind
- Concert Band
- Jazz Band
- Beginning Orchestra
- Symphonic Orchestra
- Ballroom Dance

Foreign Languages

- German I, II, III
- Spanish I, II, III

Math

- Intermediate I
- Intermediate II
- Secondary I
- Secondary II Honors

Science

- 7th Integrated Science
- 8th Integrated Science
- Biology
- Honors Biology
- Earth Science

Social Studies

- Gifted & Talented History
- Utah History
- United States History
- World Civilization
- World Geography

Physical Education

- Health
- Physical Education
- Sports Aerobics
- Weight Training

Additional Opportunities

- 4H Clubs
- Basketball
- FCCLA
- FLEX
- Geography Bee
- Knowledge Bowl
- Latinos in Action
- National Junior Honor Society
- Orem's Got Talent
- Peer Tutor
- School Plays
- Stage Crew
- Student Council
- Teacher Aide
- Track and Field
- Yearbook



Orem Junior High provides students many opportunities. We appreciate our teachers who provide both challenging classroom curriculum and other opportunities in music, athletics, fine arts, service organizations, academic competitions, 4H clubs and other extracurricular activities.



Ms. Rachel Quintana

Spanish Language Assistance

Rachel Quintana works tirelessly to help second language students succeed at Orem Junior High. She also helps Spanish speaking parents feel welcome in the school. If you ever have a question, and are uncomfortable because of the language, please come anyway. Between Ms. Quintana and others in the school, there is always someone here to help you. Ms. Quintana's office is in the commons area, or call 801-610-8142 and ask for Ms. Quintana.

Rachel Quintana trabaja incansablemente ayudando a los estudiantes de Ingles en Orem Junior High. Ella también ayuda a que los padres hispanos se sientan cómodos de venir a la escuela. Si usted tiene una pregunta y se siente incomodo por el idioma ingles, por favor venga de cualquier manera. Entre la Señora Quintana y otras personas podemos siempre ayudarlo en lo que necesite. La oficina de la Señora Quintana se encuentra en la recepción principal de la escuela, o puede llamar al tel. 801-610-8142 y preguntar por ella.