



On Campus

A quarterly newsletter for parents & guardians of OBI students

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AG Coleman, former OBI student, shared testimony in chapel



Russell Coleman, Attorney General of Kentucky, was our guest speaker in chapel on February 28th. We learned that Mr. Coleman had attended OBI for one semester in high school and invited him to come and share with our students.

Mr. Coleman shared his testimony of how God opened the doors to become an FBI special agent. As a young adult, he was a church goer but said faith was something he did on Sundays because that was what was expected.

"Faith was kind of like a box [to be] checked," he added. When he suffered a rare spinal tumor that caused paralysis, Coleman noted, "Laying in that hospital bed, faith became much more than a box to check. ... Faith became the very foundation I built the rest of my life on."

Relinquishing his personal identity as an FBI agent and embracing his identity in Christ, Coleman found renewed hope and new career opportunities that led to him becoming Attorney General of Kentucky in 2024. "God's plan was a lot better than my plan. ... The job I do now is to work to protect you and your family," Coleman said.

He closed with Jeremiah 29:11, one of our favorite verses here at OBI, and encouraged the students by saying, "There is no one in this room I'm not talking to. ... There is no limit to the hope you can have in Christ."



MAY Travel Reminders

- ✓ Travel plans for MAY are due after Spring Break.
- ✓ End-of-Year Homegoing is Thursday, May 15th for all non-graduates (unless specified by administration).
- ✓ AIRLINE TICKETS: Schedule flights after 2:30 PM leaving LEX on Thursday, May 15th for non-graduates. Graduates depart on May 17.
- ✓ Students in AP Computer Science will leave Friday if being picked up or Saturday with the graduates if flying.
- ✓ Work program students will stay until May 31, 2025.
- ✓ Athletes in spring sports may be staying longer; they need to talk to their coach(es).

Email travel plans to:
deanofstudents@oneidaschool.org

**It's not too late to order the
2024-25 OBI Yearbook!**

Go to the website:
www.treering.com/validate
Enter OBI's passcode:
10147042369128

Order Deadline: April 1st
(to ship free to OBI)

**Order Deadline if making your
FREE customized pages:
March 10th**

International Culture Fair — March 29th —

Dorm students—if you plan to cook for Culture Fair, bring back from spring break any special spices you might need.

Junior/Senior Prom Saturday, May 3rd

Photos at 6:00, Dinner at 6:30
Attire is "Sunday best" or formal.

All prom dresses must be approved! You may send a photo during break to Mrs. Monday or Mrs. Stratton.

Class of 2025

- Apply for colleges during Spring Break if you haven't already. **CHECK YOUR EMAIL(S)!**
- Graduation dresses must be approved! You may text a photo to Mrs. Monday or Mrs. Stratton.
- The **Senior Trip** is April 10-12. Students will need modest swimwear (one-piece for girls, trunks/board shorts for boys).
- The **Graduation Ceremony** is Friday, May 16th at 6:00 PM. Graduates must arrive at Russell Hall by 5:15 PM.



Senior Night

We celebrated our Boys' Basketball Team senior players and managers on 2/19 and the Lady Mountaineers players and cheerleaders on February 2/22.

The teams worked hard and played harder this season! Our cheerleaders and fans did a great job cheering them on!



Left to right: Grace Sugplang (basketball), Lexi Hoskins (cheer), Charity Carpenter (basketball), Paige Hubbard (cheer)



Left to right: Varsity Head Coach Larry Gritton, Jr., Asst. Coach Frank Stratton, Yoseph Asrat, Jesse Dare-Kuforiji, Chandler Gregory, Mo Olayinka, Caleb Djomou, Jason Erhunmwunse, Asst. Coach Tyler Preston, JV Head Coach Jared Gray, Aki Bekele

More Basketball Honors



Congratulations to these OBI players named to the 49th District All Tournament Boys/Girls Teams! Left to right: Freshman Point Guard **Jacob Rogers** from Oneida; made the "1,000 Point Club" this season. Senior Forward **Jason Erhunmwunse** from Nigeria; ranked the #12 rebounder in Kentucky this season. Sophomore "PF" **Jackaylah Lewis** from Oneida; third year with the team. Sophomore Shooting Guard **Bailey Bristow** from Newport, KY; set three school records for most points, most blocked shots and most rebounds in one game.

Souptacular Fellowship!

We celebrated the end of January with a smorgasbord of homemade soups! About a dozen staff members participated in cooking and serving their favorite recipes.



The 1st graders participated in Silly/Favorite Hat Day in February.



A double rainbow over Oneida on 2.27.25, a reminder of God's faithfulness after a long month of dealing with flooding and winter weather.