

November 2009

Our mission is to create a learning community that prepares all students to be productive, responsible, and successful.

School Board Members Day

November 15, 2009 has been designated as School Board Members Day in Illinois and Okaw Valley is joining other districts across the state to thank our Board members for their commitment and contributions to our public schools. School board members serve countless hours working to make public education the best it can be for every child. They develop policies and make tough decisions on complex educational and social issues that affect the entire community and the individual students in our district.

Preparing today's students to be productive citizens and leaders of tomorrow is a tremendous task. As elected officials, school board members are the voice of their communities, serving first and foremost in the best interest of our schoolchildren.

We proudly join educators and community members in saluting these education advocates as they provide vision and leadership for student achievement, academic programs, district funding, and school facilities. Their service ensures that decisions about local public schools are made by those most familiar with the needs of our community's children and families. These dedicated individuals deserve recognition and thanks for their unfailing commitment to the continuing success of our students now and in the future.

Although the tireless work of our board members often times goes unnoticed and unrecognized, I encourage you to make a special effort to tell each school board member that his or her hard work is noticed and very much appreciated!!

Thank you to all of our school board members for everything you do for our school district and students!!

Important Upcoming Dates:

November 5th-Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:30-OVHS and OVES

November 6th-No School-Parent/Teacher Conferences 8:00-11:30-OVHS and OVES

November 11th-No School-Veterans' Day

November 18th-Midterm

November 20th Midterm Reports Sent Home

November 25th-School Improvement Day-12:17 Dismissal

November 26th-Thanksgiving Day-No School

November 27th-No School

"High expectations are the key to everything."

-Sam Walton