There’s a New Deputy in Town!

Pele once said, “Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do”. Our former PLC Coach, Victoria Knight, is no stranger to hard work. She has always proven to be diligent, committed, and poised at her work which is why no one was overly surprised at her new appointment as the Assistant Principal at Oakhaven. Mrs. Knight was a teacher for 18 years before becoming the PLC Coach for Oakhaven in 2019. Her familiarity with the inner operations of the school and her established rapport with the students and faculty made her a perfect fit for the job. It also made it one less change to which everyone would have to adapt.

Of course, with new roles come new challenges. Knight says that she is still working on balancing the demands of being a resource to teachers, supporting students, and responding to parents as well as balancing her career and personal life. The daily challenges of being a principal is what makes the job exciting. Every day brings a different adventure. “You can go into a day with a solid plan of things to do and fail to accomplish a single thing that you expected, but it keeps the job work Fresh,” she states. Mrs. Knight expresses that the very best part about becoming Assistant Principal at Oakhaven is being able to connect with all students, teachers, and staff.

Admin Spotlight of the Month

Ms. Tamarah Brandon is the new sophomore ELA teacher at Oakhaven. She was most recently a part of the faculty at Manassas High School where she has taught English I, II, III, IV and oversaw the yearbook. Ms. Brandon states that she loves being an Incredible Hawk because she blends in with the school culture and appreciates the energy of the students in the classroom. Ms. Brandon’s favorite quote is “Never a failure, always a lesson”.

Ms. Geneice Silas is our new Economics, Government, and DC American History teacher at Oakhaven. She has 12 years of teaching experience with various Mississippi school districts where she taught Psychology, Sociology, AP Macroeconomics, World History, U.S. History, Debate, and Advanced World Geography. Ms. Silas states that she loves being an Incredible Hawk because of the HAWK pride. “I love the culture of the School and the students are so respectful,” she explains. Silas says her favorite quote by Winston Churchill Sums up her ideas and how she approaches and lives life. “History will be kind enough to me because I Intend to write it.”

Mr. Terrion Mayfield is one of the newest to join the Incredible Hawks’ staff. He is a recent graduate of the University of Memphis and was hired to be a part of the behavior response team at Oakhaven. “The best part about working for Oakhaven is the students are well behaved and eager to take my advice about life and career situations”, said Mayfield. One of Mayfield’s future career goals is to become a full-time investor and buy real estate for community entertainment. Mayfield says the most helpful advice he can share with students is to make connections. He shares that most of his successes came from the advice of the right people he has connected with over the course of his life.

The New Faces of Oakhaven

As a new year is underway at Oakhaven, we are experiencing several new norms. The covid-19 virus has us doing everything differently. We have new cafeteria rules, new seating charts, and even new ways of completing and submitting assignments. Not only do we have new rules, but we also have new faces. Oakhaven welcomes two new faculty members and a new staff member to the Hawk’s Nest.

Let’s show love to our Students of the Month

9th Grade
Nyomi Phillips

10th Grade
Lecia Sanchez

11th Grade
Daniel McMahon

12th Grade
Teneshia Robertson
Football homecoming for Oakhaven High 2021 is in the books!

Senior Night is always bittersweet. This is the very last night these seniors will ever play or cheer in the Oakhaven stadium as an Oakhaven Hawk.

Things we are watching out for:
- ACT scores for the class of ’22
- College Acceptance Letters
- Scholarship Awards
- Students who score exceptionally well on district assessments

WE ARE HAWK WATCHING!

ACT ELA CHALLENGE!
Senior with the highest English score on the ACT receives a $BIG FACED FRANKLIN$

Will YOU be featured?

Everything about Oakhaven is reloading! We continue to cheer on the Hawks Football Team as they move forward with a winning season.

Quote of the Month
“Your time is limited, don’t waste it living someone else’s life.”
–Steve Jobs

What’s happening in the Hawk’s Nest?

Upcoming events and announcements

Please send any announcements or upcoming events or pictures you would like to have featured in the monthly newsletter to hawksjournalism@yahoo.com