

Olympia High School/Middle School Booster Club

Summary for Academic Year 2015-2016

The OHMS Booster Club is a group of community members who volunteer their time to raise and distribute money to the various extracurricular programs offered at the schools. Most money is raised through sales at concession stands, but has also been raised through the sales of Olympia apparel and other various activities. We were blessed this year to have won the Pantagraph's Fan Friendly contest in the fall, which is a testament to the great fan support that we have at Olympia. This was the second year in a row we have won this contest – way to go Spartans! The prize money, as well as other money raised by the Booster Club, was used to buy t-shirts for the students at the school to help promote school spirit and pride.

During the course of the past academic year, over \$38,000 was raised and distributed to the various OHMS organizations. Purchases include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Scoreboard for the OMS gymnasium
- Concussion testing for all athletes as required by IHSA
- Senior plaques for all senior athletes
- Bags for the baseball team
- Nets for the soccer teams
- Audio system for the auditorium
- After prom fun services
- Meals for state qualifying speech participants, cross country runners, and wrestlers

Charitable donations were given to various community organizations. These gifts include:

- Gift cards used as raffle give aways during Pack the Place events
- Community Claus
- Project Evergreen
- Coats for Kids
- Hopedale Garden Food Pantry
- Danvers Community food pantry
- Minier/Armington food pantry
- McLean food pantry
- Waynesville Auxiliary
- Stanford Olympia Pacesetters

The Booster Club collaborated with other organizations to assist in purchasing costly renovations to the OHS baseball and softball concession stands. The Booster Club also donated money for 2 BA Prater scholarships for two of the graduating seniors.

Booster club meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 6 pm in the OHS Media Center/Library. Any and all OHMS parents and community members are invited to be a part of this organization.