



Monday Memo

From Supt. Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams

May 3, 2021

Happy National Teacher Appreciation Week!

As we close out what has been the most challenging school year of our lifetime, I am more grateful than ever for the outstanding faculty of OPRF. Our teachers, as well as counselors, social workers, psychologists, speech pathologists, and certified school nurses (who all are also members of Faculty Senate), have gone above and beyond for both their students and their colleagues. They've found unique and inspiring ways to provide instruction and support throughout this global crisis, many of them while dealing with their own difficulties and tragedies during the pandemic. Thank you, faculty, for all you have done to make this year a success. You truly embody those things that are best.

Virtual Honors Convocation: May 4, 7:00 p.m.

Due to state capacity restrictions, our annual Honors Convocation will once again be held virtually this year. Visit [our YouTube channel](#) to view the pre-filmed event, which will be posted tomorrow at 7:00 p.m.

OPRF Senior Perks! 21 discount deals for the class of 2021

To show their appreciation after a tough year, Student Council and Student Activities have partnered with businesses in Oak Park and River Forest to provide seniors with 21 days of deals. [Click here](#) to check out the calendar of discounts available only to the OPRF Class of 2021.

The Asian American Experience: Community Education Event on May 20 at 7:00 p.m.

May is Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month. In light of the recent rise in AAPI hate crimes and violence, making space to acknowledge the impact that the historical and present day anti-Asian sentiment has on our community is more important than ever. On May 20, Districts 200, 97, and 90 and the Oak Park Public Library are partnering with community members to host a virtual conversation about the racial equity challenges of our Asian-American community members. Stay tuned for more information on this community event.

Keep following the three W's!

Though vaccination is becoming more widespread, public health officials are clear that safety precautions should still be followed: Wear a mask. Watch your distance. Wash your hands. Together, we can continue to keep all in our community health and safe.