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As I write this update, NBHS has witnessed 5 youth leave and gain 12 during the month of November. This activity has taken our enrollment to a total of 101 as of this morning, with 88 student's enrolled in high school and 13 post high school graduates. Our revolving door never stops; it just sometimes slows down a revolution or two. Another interesting fact about our instructional environment, the average length of stay, calculated by ODE is now at 80.25 days, including weekends and holiday.

Marlo Zeller continues to have her *SWAG* on. Marlo introduced this business idea last month to her four business classes, and the idea has taken off. Sales were stopped at 200 swags because production limitations. All 200 swag orders have been sold. Students created the business plan, established a vision and mission statement, created a budget, have tracked the budget and made production decisions based on the data, learned about marketing and sales and several students will earn a writing work sample from the submitted paper turned in. (why several instead of a number, final grading on the papers has not been concluded)

Jon Johal, Social Studies has allocated \$300 to each of his Econ students and they are learning about the stock market and its diversified risks or rewards. The challenge to each student; who will maximize their earnings by 19 December, 2014?

Warren Helgeson is teaching his students how to turn exotic wood into finely turned writing pens for the National Guard 1st Division, 186th Regiment currently deployed in Afghanistan. This Division was selected because two OYA employees are currently engaged in this military assignment and it is a way that our students can recognize these servicemen and women while learning about exotic wood, manufacturing practices, applying precise measurement to an end product(+/- .005) and then finishing the pen to bring out its natural beauty. Every student engaged in this voluntary activity will make three pens. The student's recognition; a pen from the three they made that they usually give away to a parent. For many, it is the best Christmas present they have given to their parents, ever! We are currently planning an assembly for Friday, 19 December to celebrate the success of our *SWAG* efforts and Pens for Troops initiative.

Teresa John has been busy working with her math students in helping them learn about Scatter plots, line of best fit, rate of change, Box and Whisker plots, Histograms and other data collecting graphs. Teresa has also worked with every class in preparing and practicing math work samples so our students are able to successfully complete a math work sample in January.

Kim DeForest is assisting in a Writing Across the Curriculum initiative between now and the end of Dec. All other teachers except Math will provide prompts to their students and in return, the student will select a prompt, research it and write on it. The goal; provide opportunities outside the regular English class for students to write and earn a work sample.

Mission Statement: *In partnership with Oregon Youth Authority, NBHS will prepare students to meet graduation requirements and continue their education for transition to the world of work.*