



Southern Oregon Success Academy Monthly Newsletter

May 2025

Celebrate the Class of 2025!

The big day has arrived, and our graduates will be taking the stage this Thursday, May 29th at 6pm at the Merlin Community Park (100 Acorn Street). Graduation here at SOSA is more than just a ceremony. It's a celebration of hard work, perseverance, and achievement. As our graduates walk across the stage, we honor their journey and look forward to the bright futures ahead. Congratulations to the Class of 2025! You all have earned every moment of this milestone.

SOSA GED Celebration

We're so proud to celebrate the incredible achievements of our GED Class of 2025! Each graduate has shown determination, resilience, and a commitment to their future. Earning a GED is no small feat, and is a powerful step forward. We couldn't be more proud and excited to see where the journey leads next for these students. Congratulations to Eva Jiron, Jillian Schlegel, Miles Thorburn, Anderson Burdge, Caydin Sensor, Jackson Vasquez, Aiden Raygoza-Halling, and Jewlyanna Perry!



End of Year Field Day and BBQ

We're sending off the school year in style with our Last Day of School Field Day & BBQ! Join us on the final day for a fun-filled morning of games, laughter, and good food as we celebrate all that our students have accomplished this year. Students eat for free. Cost per adult will be \$6. Let's end the year on a high note and some SOSA school spirit!



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SOSA Art Contest Winners

Our school art contest has officially come to a close, and we are amazed by the incredible talent and powerful messages shared by our students. This year's theme, "Being Courageous," inspired imaginative works that captured what it means to face fear, stand up for what's right, and express your true self. Congratulations to the winners of the 2nd annual SOSA Art Show: 1st place "Winter Mission" by Alyssa Mersino, 2nd place tie with "Working Time" by Noah Bentley & "Toga" by Jayden Shipman, and 3rd place "SOSA Seals" by William Greene.



Students of the Quarter

We're proud to announce our Students of the Quarter, recognized for their outstanding character and dedication both in and out of the classroom! This special recognition is made possible through the generous support of the Caveman Kiwanis Group, who continue to celebrate student excellence in our community. Congratulations to Brandon Rehrmann, Shelby Hernandez, Tyler Villareal, and Gage Baker!



Memorial Day Celebration

The Veterans Walk of Honor in Merlin stands as a living monument to honor those who have protected our precious freedoms. SOSA students visited the Veterans Walk of Honor to learn more of the history and meaning behind Memorial Day. Our guests of honor, Mike and Chris Baker, shared a special message with our students.



Shakespeare Festival

SOSA students took an educational field trip this May to Ashland's glorious Shakespeare Festival to see William Shakespeare's Julius Caesar at the Angus Bowmer Theatre. Students experienced first hand the famous Shakespeare political thriller, which illuminates ancient themes of power, loyalty, and betrayal while also enjoying the day at Lithia Park.



SPED Office Hours

If you have a student who has an IEP, please contact Allyson Kelley, Special Education Teacher for SOSA. You can contact Allyson to set up a time to discuss added support for your student. Please call 541-476-2524 ext. 5211 or email allyson.kelley@3rsd.org.

SOSA Academic Support

Does your student need extra academic support? SOSA offers academic support for all students that is tailored to your student's needs. From personalized tutoring to focused study skill sessions, we're here to help your student achieve their full potential. Don't let academic challenges hold your student back. Contact Allyson Kelley today to schedule a meeting at 541-476-2524 ext. 5211 or email at allyson.kelley@3rsd.org.