



Oneida Baptist Institute

Education for Time and Eternity

President: Dr. W. F. Underwood
Type of school: Coeducational boarding and day school
Grades: 6-12; middle school, grades 6-8;
high school, grades 9-12
Enrollment: Average 325 total; middle school, 80;
high school, 245

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Oneida Baptist Institute is to provide a Christian living, learning and working environment in which each of its students, Christian or non-Christian, is diligently challenged to grow mentally, physically, socially and spiritually in order to acquire an "Education for Time and Eternity."

GENERAL INFORMATION

Oneida Baptist Institute was founded in 1899. Located in the eastern Kentucky hills, the main campus is 50 acres with approximately 700 additional acres used for farming and staff housing. We are 17 miles from the county seat of Manchester, and 110 miles from the city of Lexington.

The purpose of Oneida Baptist Institute is to provide young people with a high quality Christian education. Oneida accepts students in grades 6-12. We minister to our students in four major areas: academics, co-curriculars, work and worship.

ACADEMICS

Our curriculum is designed to meet the needs of students with ability levels ranging from below-average to exceptional. We have a unique Tutoring Lab for students with low reading and/or math skills. We provide English as a Second Language for international students, and advanced placement courses for juniors and seniors with above-average ability. Progress reports or report cards are mailed to parents every four and one-half weeks. Boarding students are required to attend a supervised study hall each evening, Monday-Thursday. Students who make the honor roll are acknowledged in chapel and excused from study hall as long as they maintain honor roll status.

Oneida students graduate with a standard diploma or advanced diploma. About 65% of our graduates go on to institutions of higher learning.

Middle school students study lan-

guage arts, literature, Bible, history, math and science. Our younger students also take an enrichment course each quarter. Choices may include: piano, drama, computers, home economics, FFA, baseball, basketball, cheerleading, physical education and tennis.

High school students are required to take four years of English and math; three years of science and social studies; one year of health/physical education, Bible, fine arts (music/art appreciation); and two quarters of computer literacy. Their electives may include: band, choir, piano, auto maintenance, small engine repair, agriculture, drama, stagecraft, art, Spanish, child development, clothing, adult living, foods, commercial art, yearbook, weight training, percussion, lyrics and Field Placement.

Field Placement allows seniors to gain on-campus work-related skills and experience in many areas.

The school year is divided into four, nine-week quarters. There is a nine-day break in the fall and spring of each year, a two-week Christmas break, and some long weekends.

Oneida Baptist Institute has private school accreditation through the National Non-Public School Commission, the Kentucky Non-Public School Commission and the Kentucky Department of Education.

ACADEMIC FACILITIES

Our campus includes 11 buildings utilized for classroom space. There is also a library equipped with several computers for research; a middle school computer classroom with 20 computers; a high school computer lab with 20 computers; a high school computer classroom with 20 computers; a commercial art sign lab with 7 computers; a chapel; a state-of-the-art digital piano lab; a band/choir room; a chemistry and biology lab; a family and consumer science lab; a newly renovated art lab; and one outdoor classroom. The vocational department has an auto shop where students learn

vehicle maintenance and small engine repair. OBI's superior agriculture program has facilities to accommodate classroom instruction and hands-on training, including a fully operational farm.

COLLEGE PREPARATION

Students who plan to attend college are enrolled in the pre-college curriculum which would best prepare them academically. The ACT is given on our campus four times a year. For a fee, students are provided transportation to area colleges to take the SAT and the TOEFL as needed.

Some Kentucky colleges and universities recently attended by OBI graduates include: Transylvania, Alice Lloyd, Berea, Campbellsville, Eastern Kentucky, Georgetown College, Lindsey Wilson, Morehead State, Northern Kentucky, Western Kentucky, Murray State, Union College, the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville. Out-of-state colleges and universities recently attended by graduates include: Richland, Auburn, Miami (Ohio), the University of Michigan, Vanderbilt, Bowling Green University, Penn State, Baylor and St. John's University.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Oneida has 150 full-time faculty and staff. Approximately 60 are teachers or tutoring lab aides. Some 78% of our faculty have bachelor's degrees and 36% of these have advanced degrees. Our faculty are mission-minded and view their positions as ministry opportunities. Since most live on campus, they can spend informal time with students at meals, school events, and worship services, providing personal support and role modeling. Many teachers double as coaches and club sponsors.

CO-CURRICULAR AND ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES

At OBI, our belief that each individual has certain strengths and weaknesses

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predicates our objective to develop the God-given potential in every student. We encourage involvement in athletics and other co-curriculars to help our young people become well rounded in education and experience.

We offer a wide range of athletic possibilities including: volleyball, cheerleading and softball for girls; baseball for boys; cross country, basketball, swimming, tennis, track/field and soccer for boys and girls.

Athletic facilities include: two gymnasiums, softball and baseball fields, an indoor swimming pool, a track, a soccer field and tennis courts.

Christian coaches teach the principles of sportsmanship and teamwork. We do not cut players because of limited ability. Anyone who is willing to practice and contribute in a positive way may join a team. Students must meet certain academic requirements, however, to be eligible to participate in sports.

Activities in addition to course electives and athletics include: drama, band, Beta Club, FFA, Student Government Association and Baptist Campus Ministry.

Annual events include the Fall Festival, Yearbook Queen pageant, honor roll activity, skating parties, hayride and cookout, international student Christmas banquet, Christmas concert, Christmas party, Valentine's social, fall and spring plays, FFA banquet, senior banquet, Spring Fling and alumni Homecoming.

WORSHIP

Each student is required to attend Sunday morning and evening worship services. Chapel services are required each school day. Other ministries including Bible study, discussion groups, Baptist Campus Ministry, special events and prayer services are also available but are not required.

WORK

The student work program is an important tradition at Oneida. Students are required to work an average of one and one-half hours per day and four hours each weekend at designated jobs. These jobs help young people develop a sense of responsibility and provide them with valuable work experience.

DAILY LIFE

A typical school day consists of six 55-minute class periods and a 30-minute chapel service. The day begins at 7:55 A.M. and ends at 3:00 P.M. Students busy

themselves after school with co-curricular activities and work program duties.

We have a supervised free time each weekday evening and twice daily on weekends. At these times various options are available to students, including the gym, swimming pool, campus grill, sporting events, weight room, pool room, athletic field and basketball goals. Bedcheck for dormitory students is 10:00 P.M. on school nights and 11:00 P.M. on weekends.

STUDENT BODY AND CONDUCT

Approximately 250 boarding and 75 day students attend OBI each year. Our student population is approximately 50% male and 50% female. The average student body has students from 28 different states and 15 other countries.

OBI students are expected to demonstrate honesty, responsibility, respect for authority, respect for the property and rights of others and adherence to school rules. School discipline is handled by our principal(s). Houseparents are responsible for dormitory discipline.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Oneida has a summer program with both academic and work program opportunities. Summer school high school students may take up to four quarters of study in a six-week period. Middle school students take enrichment classes covering four core content subjects. Some young people find it easier to adjust to boarding school during the summer months. Others are interested in making up one or more quarters of credit.

BOARDING AND GENERAL FACILITIES

OBI has three dormitories on campus. The girls live in Burns Hall, which also houses our kitchen, dining hall, and campus grill. There are two dormitories for boys: Marvin Wheeler and Carnahan Halls. Carnahan Hall also houses the student bank and campus store. All students have access to laundry facilities and all dorms are air-conditioned.

Dormitory life is supervised by houseparents, who are assisted by hall monitors on each floor. Each dorm has special accommodations for students who are ill and need to be on bedrest. OBI's Student Healthcare Coordinator is available during the school day and dispenses medications in the girls' dormi-

tory Monday-Friday. We also have EMT's on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Our transportation staff assists the Student Coordinator in taking dorm residents to scheduled medical appointments. If a student needs emergency treatment, he/she is taken to a nearby hospital.

ROOM AND BOARD /FEES

Room and board is \$495 per month for Kentucky residents, \$555 per month for U.S. students with residency outside Kentucky and \$9,800 per year for international students. There is an annual entrance fee equal to one month's room and board.

Parents are required to send their child \$45-\$60/month for personal spending. The money is kept in our student bank and may be withdrawn daily.

The room and board charged to students is less than one-third the actual cost. Therefore, in effect, every student receives room and board assistance in the form of a partial scholarship.

ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

We charge a \$35 processing fee for each application. Before enrollment, students and families go through a detailed orientation process. These sessions are by appointment. We want the family to know as much as possible about our school before the student enrolls. Oneida generally accepts students throughout the year, including summer.

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