

(Cheerleaders form lines at entry)

(Students enter gym, while George plays music)

Play track #1 as students walk in.

(George pump up time) **Play track #2**

George: “Welcome the real stars of our show today, those students who have stood out as being involved in the many programs at Oakdale High.”

Play track #3 and then #4

(Groups enter gym as their group is introduced and find reserved seats in front rows of their section)

George: “Beginning with our commended students for **National Merit and the National Hispanic Scholarship** program (pause), students scoring **1700 or higher on the SAT or ACT** exam (pause), AP Scholars who scored a three or higher on their **AP exams** (pause), our **Top Ten GPA** students in each grade level (pause), our **OHS Most Improved** students, those who brought their GPA up more than anyone else in their grade level (pause), our **Scholar Athletes** who maintain a 3.5 GPA or higher while representing the Mustangs in the winter sports, led in by their coaches, basketball, wrestling, and cheerleading (pause), leading in the Mustang **Scholar Musicians** a 3.5 GPA or higher Mr. Q (pause), and our **Scholar Artists** with a 3.5 GPA or higher representing AP Studio Art and Advanced Art and Advanced Art with teacher Mrs. Kern (pause), and our **Scholar Drama** students with a 3.5 or higher with their teacher, Mr. Mills representing Advanced Drama.

Next please welcome our **Academic Decathlon** team who competed last weekend with their coach Mrs. Boggs. Our next group being recognized today represent our **Model UN team**, coached by non other, Coach Simoncini.”

Simoncini: “Good morning Oakdale High School and welcome to “Meet the Challenge!” Today we are celebrating YOUR academic success. At Oakdale High School, students are rewarded for their hard academic work and good grades. Appropriate to this year’s theme, the classes of OHS will be competing in a variety of games that will test their intelligence, their stamina, and their mental endurance—sorry, Freshmen, it looks like you are in a heap of trouble! Our financial sponsor of our rally is Lightacres Riding Stables, home of the original Mustang Riders who rode the track at football games on a beautiful horse named Rebel in 1972. Our second rally sponsor is Chris Elswick from CME Mortgage Company. We also want to recognize our Jostens representatives who supply our school with class rings and graduation gowns and announcements. Please welcome Jan and Terry Keiffer.”

Simoncini: “Congratulations students, your hard work is what makes this school great and what makes this town very proud of its youth. And now a word from our sponsor.”

(Lights off)

Pete: microphone to laptop *(Capital One Commercial Plays)*

(Lights begin coming on as soon as commercial begins)

Simoncini: Hey, put your hands together for Josh Gazdik and Wakely Konberg who designed and filmed that great commercial. “Throughout the first semester, classes have been competing in a series of challenges and contests. Let’s see who is in the lead. In fourth place with a pitiful 50 points is the class best known for everybody wanting them to be seen and not heard, the Freshmen. In third place with a disgustingly paltry 100 points is the other class that sits on the south wall of the gym—the just too timid Juniors. Maybe when they move up to a new section next year, we’ll hear more from the Class of 2008. In second place with a very respectable 350 points is a class that has repeatedly shown the potential to come from behind. Few of us will ever forget the horror of Hurricane Warnerville when their float disintegrated on the way to the high school during Homecoming 2005--the Seniors. Perhaps, they will come from behind today and take the lead. And in first place, with 450 points, is the class who single-handedly created one of the most memorable Homecoming floats in the history of Oakdale High School—we all remember Disney on wheels last year—the sophomores.

“How will these classes compete today? Each class will get three more opportunities to add points to their total. The class that will be the Mustang Renaissance champion will be that class that excels most in three physically and intellectually grueling games: “Dancing with the Stars”, “Jeopardy” and “The Price is Right: Renaissance Edition.” During each show students from each class will compete against one another for points. At the end of the events, the points will be recalculated, and the winning class will earn an early lunch dismissal at a later date, to be determined.” Now that’s a BIG HOOAH!!!

“So, let the games begin.

Our first event is Dancing with the Stars: Eight dancers will salsa their way to fame—muy caliente. Please welcome our torrid dance couples: From the freshman class, cheerleader Shawna Diggins and her macho partner, Cody Soffiotto; from the sophomores, cheerleader, class president, fall homecoming princess, and ditsy blonde Bethany Edwards and her hot **and hairy** partner senior Andrew Jackson; from the Junior Class varsity cheerleader and a member of our spring homecoming court, Lindsey Nate Bear and her sizzling hunk of a man, Zack Sheppard; and from the senior class the lovely cheerleader, ASB vice president and the reigning Oakdale Junior Miss, Heather Rapinchuk and her mega-macho partner, varsity basketball star, Mr. Salsa himself Fabian Lopez. After salsa lessons from our spicy HOT instructors: Mrs. Chavez and Ms. Pineda (growl) from our foreign language department, our teams are ready. Let’s cheer them on while the judges check out their HOT salsa moves.”

(start salsa music, Track #5)

(George, pump up the audience to cheer on their team)

Dancing with the Stars

Simoncini: Now, that's getting down and getting funky! Right now, let's get my handy assistant out here to help see who our winners are. She is a girl who proves that nerds can be fun people. Please welcome that junior blonde bombshell Heidi Medema. Heidi was recently recognized by the Oakdale Chamber of Commerce as the recipient of the junior achievement award—not bad for a blonde nerd. Congratulations Heidi. Now, let's get our voting done, and YOU the audience are the judges. Let's here it for the freshmen Shawna Diggins and her partner Cody Soffioto(Pause for cheering) For the sophomore class, Bethany Edwards and Andrew Jackson. (Pause for cheering) For the junior class, Lindsey Bear dancing with Zach Sheppard (Pause for cheering) And finally for the senior class Heather Rapinchuk and Fabio Lopez.”

(Pause for cheering)

“AND the winner is _____. Congratulations!”

(Prize Patrol throws prizes to the winning section.)

Simoncini: “For their hot dancing talent the _____Class will be awarded 100 points.”

(Score reflected on Sound Express scoreboard)

Simoncini: “Our next event is my personal favorite, JEOPARDY. For this game the contestants will be students representing the Top 10 from each class, or a Renaissance Scholar. These students are not just pretty faces! Each class will have two representatives that will trade off after the first five questions and each question will be worth between 100 and 500 points. No contestant may attempt a response until I have completed reading the answer and remember all responses must be in the form of a question. If someone gives the wrong response, only one additional person will be given the opportunity to buzz in for a response. Now, please welcome our first group of contestants, from the freshman class the boy genius, Todd Medema; from the sophomore class super-smart Sara Peterson; from the junior class killer intellect Kayleigh Keller; and from the senior class the brilliant Katherine Hood. So Katherine, as the representative of the seniors, you get to pick the first category and amount.

Jeopardy (*First group of four*)
(*Mr. Simoncini runs first round of questions*)

Simoncini: “What a great round. Next please welcome our second group of contestants: from the freshmen class sizzlingly sharp Chantel Tucker, from the sophomore class the best darned drummer who suffers from big brother envy, Evans Boggs, from the junior class a student who found the love of his life—by looking in the mirror, Patrick Smith, and from the senior class, Oakdale’s answer to Steve Erkle, the top ACADEC individual scorer in Stanislaus County, Hans Boggs!”

Jeopardy (Second group of four)

(Mr. Simoncini runs second round of questions)

Simoncini: “Wow, what a great game of Jeopardy. Now let’s look at the scores. During the game the freshmen scored_____ the sophomores scored _____ the juniors scored _____ and the seniors scored _____.”

“Our next game is The Price is Right: Renaissance Edition. The freshman team is represented by Donovan Roberts and James Edwards, both Renaissance scholars. Our sophomore academic dynamos are Summer Garrison and Craig Rowley. Todd Stallings and Jacob DeBoer bring not only good looks but their BRAINS to represent the junior class. AND two blondes that think they can fool us into believing that they are smart, Brittney Peanut Houston and Kelly Brannigan represent the seniors!”

The Price is Right:

Simoncini: “For Round 1, let’s meet our contestants.”

“Donovan Roberts, Summer Garrison, Todd Stallings, and Brittany Houston. Come on down!!!

(“I love Bob” students run down from bleachers.)

Simoncini: “Contestants, my wonderful Renaissance Scholar assistants, Seniors Danielle Silva and Jenny Sihler and freshman Kristin Mello, are bringing out our first item up for bid. Just a quick note, Danielle currently boasts the academic standing of Number ONE in the Class of 2007. After I describe the prize, each one of you needs to bid on what you think the actual price of the prize is. Write down your bid when I ask for it and then show the audience.”

Simoncini: “All Rightie, then, our first prize is a personal DVD player. No more fighting you’re your little brother or sister to watch your movie. Make your bid for your PERSONEL DVD player. Now whoever gets closest to the actual price without going over, wins the prize and 100 points for their class.”

(Contestants Bids)

Simoncini: “_____what is your bid please? _____your bid?.....

The actual retail price is_____ . That means_____ is going to play a pricing game for a fabulous prize.

Simoncini: “We are now going to play HiLo for a prize package. You will be shown six lunch meals and have to put them in order of lowest to highest price. If the contestant answers correctly, he or she will earn 100 points for their class.

Slice of pizza and drink from Round Table; Jack-in-the-Box meal; Quizno’s meal; Taco Bell meal; McDonald’s Meal; Burger King meal;
(Play HiLo)

Congratulations _____, you have just earned the _____ Class an additional 100 points.

Simoncini: "Please welcome our next contestants. James Edwards, Craig Rowley, Jacob DeBoer, and Kelly Brannigan, "Come on Down!"

"Contestants, as you have heard, you must bid closest without going over the actual retail price of the item to win the prize! Let's see what our next item is... It's A Brand New Car! It honks, the lights come on, the engine revs... **(Mini mini cooper comes out)** and it's remote controlled! With this remote control car also comes a free tank of gas and a CD of your choice. **Bid on the price of a real mini Cooper plus the price of a tank of regular (87 octane) gas.** All of this can be yours if the price is right."

(Bid).

Simoncini: "_____ what is your bid please?
your bid?.....

The actual retail price is \$21,850 + 31.85 for gas + **\$21,881.85**. That means_____ is going to play a pricing game for a fabulous prize.

"The next portion of today's show is the Grocery Game: Five grocery items are displayed. The contestant may choose as many of the items that he or she wants in an attempt to come within \$20 without going over. Once an item has been priced, it cannot be used again. The items you may select from include: a six-pack of Gatorade, a sleeve of Pringles, one box of Captain Crunch Cereal, a box of Pop Tarts, and one pizza Luncheable. You will definitely need your Renaissance brain for this one!

Simoncini: “Now _____ please begin selecting items and remember you may not go over \$20! What is the first item you would like to select.

Gatorade: \$7.49; Pringles: \$1.69; Captain Crunch: \$4.45; Pop Tarts: \$2.49; Luncheable: \$3.69

Simoncini: (*announce if student won:* Congratulations, _____. You have just won for the _____ class 100 points.

Simoncini: “That was a great game. Let’s hear it for all the contestants on today’s show!” (Pause for applause) All Right! The overall Meet the Challenge winning class is:

Simoncini: Let’s get the great Renaissance team out here—how about putting your hands together for the great group who put on this Renaissance Rally, YOUR Renaissance team. Also a big round of applause to our DJ, George from Sounds in Motion and also to Todd from Sound Express. Hey! Thanks for attending today’s Renaissance Assembly. We want to remind all the Renaissance students that they may pick up their packets at lunch today on the slab. Yes, high school is a challenge. It is not a game, but here at OHS we celebrate YOU the students as you Meet the Challenge. Congratulations and have a great day—you are released to Brunch.”

Option 2 for Price is Right

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(Danielle Silva, Kristin Mello, and _____brings out the prize.) (Currently ranked #1 in senior class)

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(Play HiLo)

Congratulations _____, you have just earned the _____ Class an additional 100 points.