

OCJH PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

By PRINCIPAL KATE ROSS

NOVEMBER 14, 2022

EVENTS 11/7-11/20 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

11/14-11/20 (B-WEEK)

14 Girls' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym
14 Boys' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym
14 Spirit Night- Chick-fil-A 5-7 PM Orem Plaza
15 SCC Meeting 2:30-3:30 PM in the Conference Room
15 Girls' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym
15 Boys' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym
15 ASD Board Meeting 6:00-8:00 @ District Office
16 Boys' Basketball Practice 12:30-3:15 in the Gym
16 Girls' Basketball Practice 3:15-5:50 in the Gym
17 Science Demo Team to Foothill Elementary 9:00-12:00
17 OCJH Boys' Basketball vs. Willowcreek 3:00-4:30
17 OCJH Girls' Basketball @ Willowcreek 3:00-4:30
17 OCJH Drama Presents Matilda 7:00-8:00 (Cast A)
17 Girls' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym
17 Boys' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym
17 OCJH Drama Presents Matilda 7:00-8:00 (Cast B)
18 OCJH Drama Presents Matilda 1:00-2:00 (Cast B)
19 OCJH Drama Presents Matilda 7:00-8:00 (Cast A)

11/21-11/27 (A-WEEK)

21 OCJH Boys' Basketball @ Canyon View 3:00-4:30
21 OCJH Girls' Basketball vs. Canyon View 3:00-4:30
21 Science Demo Team Family Night 6:15-7:15
22 Orchestra to Orem High 10:00-1:30
22 Boys' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym
22 Girls' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym
23 Boys' Basketball Practice 8:00-11:00 in the Gym
23 Girls' Basketball Practice 11:00-2:00 in the Gym
23-25 Thanksgiving Break
24 Thanksgiving
25 Native American Heritage Day

MESSAGE FROM MRS. ROSS



This week we have the opportunity to cheer for Oak Canyon students representing our school as members of the OCJH Boys and Girls Basketball Teams and as the cast and crew of our Fall Musical: Matilda Jr. In addition, I'd like to acknowledge the following individuals/teams as well as their teachers, coaches, advisors, supporters for their incredible efforts:

- *All OCJH Reflections Participants for showcasing talents in this national competition. Many OCJH students will go on to represent our school at the district level! Thank you PTSA and Mrs. Hintze!*
- *Fifteen students from Oak Canyon led by Mrs. Jorgensen participated in Alpine School District's first ever Junior High/ Middle School district-wide math competition at Viewpoint Middle School in Lehi on November 8, 2022. Oak Canyon's two teams performed strongly and have hopes to bring home the "Pinnacle Trophy" at the next competition on February 7, 2023.*
- *Oak Canyon has an eSports team advised by Mr. Redford. Recently, they had the chance to compete at a regional tournament at UVU. Our*

Mario Kart team represented us well, and our Super Smash Bros team took 1st in Jr high and 4th overall.

- Last week teachers and PTSA volunteers were able to recognize the following students as OCJH Students of the Month who embody the value of CONNECTION: Samantha Stanfield, Brimley Rees, Joshua Glenn, Sienna Lee, Matt Bennion, and Cache Anderson.
- Our PTSA recognized students who had a GPA of 3.7 or higher for the first term. There were 712 that qualified for this recognition!

So many hours of practice and developing talent and skills to celebrate! Some of these opportunities to support and recognize our students are more obvious than others, but I would encourage our school community to look for opportunities to support and celebrate all of our students as they grow and contribute to our school community. Oak Canyon is a pretty special place to be!



NEW INFORMATION:

FROM THE OCJH PTSA:

PTSA Spirit Night @ Orem Plaza Chick-fil-A 5-8pm TONIGHT!

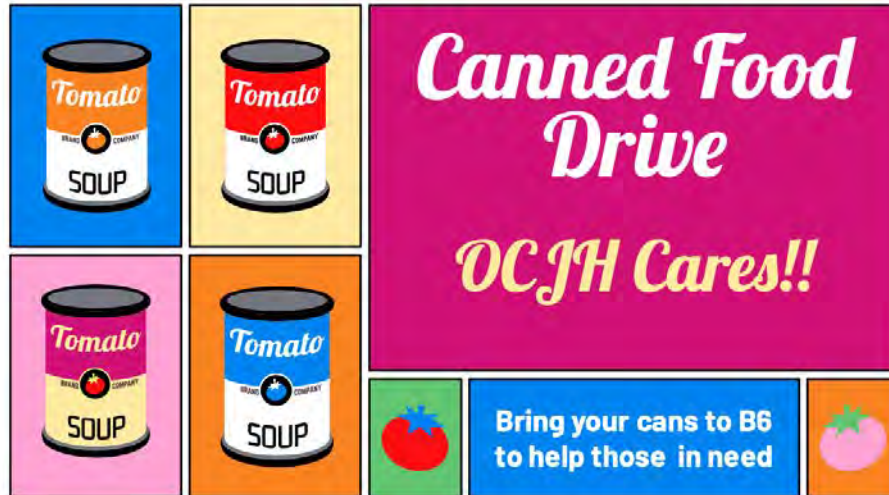
Our November Spirit Night fundraiser is TONIGHT, Monday, Nov. 14, at the Orem Plaza Chick-fil-A from 5- 8pm! Come get a snack or dinner for your family! Be sure to mention Oak Canyon PTSA before paying! Chick-fil-A will be donating 20% of Oak Canyon orders to our school!! We appreciate your support!

Support PTSA With Every Amazon Purchase

With holiday shopping just around the corner, a great way to support the PTSA and the student programs here at Oak Canyon is by signing up for Amazon Smile. There is no simpler way to support our school! If you haven't already done so, please log in to smile.amazon.com and choose PTA Utah Congress Oak Canyon Jr High PTSA as your charity. You can now set up Amazon Smile in the Amazon app as well!

FOOD DRIVE 11/3-11/18

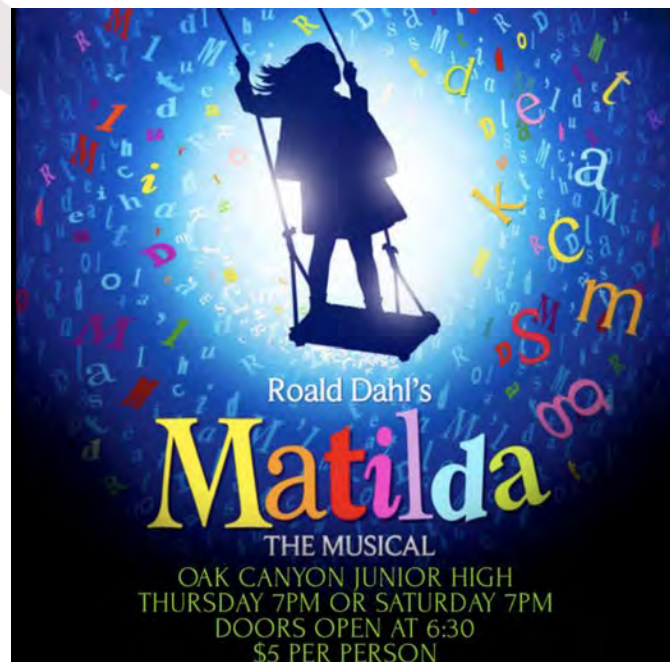
It's Food Drive time again! We are going to tie the drive to 6th period and RAD time, so students will donate to their B6 class. The food drive ends this Friday, November 18th. As always, the B6 class with the most food per student donated, will win a breakfast party.



OCJH SPELLING BEE

All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to participate in the preliminary OCJH Spelling Bee on Dec. 2nd during A2. Students will join a Google Classroom with the code: cs54pah to participate. English teachers and the library will have the study lists. The preliminary Bee will be a combination of spelling and vocabulary. The top scorers will participate in the final Spelling Bee in January. The top two finishers there go on to the Regional Spelling Bee in March. See Mrs. Allan for questions or email mallan@alpinedistrict.org.

MATILDA JR. PERFORMANCES NOVEMBER 17-19



TRYOUTS FOR SPORTS TEAMS

PGHS Boys' Soccer:

Tryout Meeting 11/17 @ 4PM in Media Center/Tryouts 2/27 and 2/28

Also, if you have interest in Timpanogos Youth Wrestling grades 1-8, please click on this link for more information:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vcdnpf8M3O4Wc2OM3JuxY9I2q5fw5CHc/view?usp=sharing>

REMINDERS:

ASD RISE NOMINATIONS

Do you know a teacher or school employee who is **Remarkable**, **Inspiring**, **Selfless**, and/or **Encouraging**? Please nominate them for the new ASD RISE Award. Nominees will be recognized at their school, and a few each month will be selected for Board Recognition during a Board meeting at the District Office. Click [here](#) to access the nomination form.

OCJH AFTER SCHOOL CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

Oak Canyon offers a variety of after school connection activities. There is a link to them on the website and they are listed on the OCJH Calendar as well. Here is a listing of those weekly activities:

M Ballroom (M. Haymond Orchestra Room) 2:15-3:45

T E-Sports (Redford F115) 2:15-3:00

T FBLA (Wintle F114) 2:15-3:00

T 3D Design (Hansen E106) 2:15-3:00

T Improvisation (Lamoreaux Auditorium) 2:15-3:00 Starting in January.

W Ballroom (M. Haymond Orchestra Room) 12:30-2:30

TH TSA (Redford F115) 2:30-3:30

TH Dungeons and Dragons (Adamson E102) 2:30-3:30 (Until January)

F Jewelry Making (Flood B147) 2:15-3:00 (1st and 3rd Fridays)

F Math Club (Jorgensen B152) 2:15-3:15

In addition, Ms. Bachelor, will be hosting a lunch time book club in the Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays during both lunches. Students can bring their lunches with them to the library.