PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2, 2024

EVENTS 9/2-9/15 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)



9/2-9/8 (A-WEEK)

9/9-9/15 (A-WEEK)

Term 1 Essential Guiding Question: What Does It Mean To Be An Oak Canyon Eagle?

Homeroom: We Treat All with Kindness and Respect

- 2 Labor Day--NO SCHOOL
- 3 7th Grade Student Council Election Posters Up
- 4 Ballroom 1:25-2:40
- 4 Cross Country Meet 5:00 @ AFJR
- 5 7th Grade Student Council Elections Voting in HR
- 6 7th Grade Student Council Winners Announced

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Homeroom: We Are Prepared, Responsible, &

Dependable

- 9 Ballroom 2:25-3:30
- 10 Sucide Prevention Day
- 10 ASD Board Meeting 6:00 @ District Office
- 11 Ballroom 1:25-2:40
- 11 Cross Country Meet 5:00 @ Oak Canyon
- 15 First Day of Hispanic Heritage Month

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



If you've been part of the Oak Canyon community for a while, you're probably aware that our halls were not always empty and void of decoration. Our school is 31 years old, and a few years ago, under Principal Wanamaker's direction, a massive project ensued to remove outdated, permanently placed decor on the walls. As a result, there was extensive damage to the brick walls, and part of the project was to restore and repair them. For the past 2 years, we have been working hard to really articulate who we are and what we are about at Oak Canyon. And now we are ready to make the walls of the school an outward reflection of our inward values (empowerment, connection, and innovation) and focus on the 6 Cs. We've also tried to update signage in the hallways that not only label them, but also help students

to know which classes are found in those hallways. We also seek to display student created displays like the installation now in Hall A created by Mr. Adamson's Young Masters in the Spring of 2023. The motifs and color scheme have been inspired by the teacher created mural in our Commons Area. We invite you to take notice of these facilities enhancements, and hope that they help our students to feel pride in our school. Enjoy some recent pictures of these enhancements! It's going to be a great week!

Mrs. Ross















NEW INFORMATION

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Our first SCC meeting of the year with our new SCC will be September 17th at 2:30 pm in the TLC. The School Community Council (SCC) is a group of parents and school staff that meets monthly to discuss the issues facing our school. The SCC creates a school improvement plan and allocates Trustland Funds to help meet our goals outlined in that plan. SCC meetings are open to anyone interested and we are in need of parents to join our board. If you have some time on the third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 and would like to be a part of our SCC, please click on this <u>link</u> to submit your name. A term on the SCC is two years. If there are more interested than parent positions available, we will have an election.

FROM THE OAK CANYON PTSA

Our PTSA does so much to support our school and students--selling suckers on Fridays, sponsoring the Eagle of the Month student recognitions, organizing Spirit Nights, making generous donations for school improvements, recognizing our honor roll students, and more! We encourage all to join the PTSA--the membership dues go a long way for our school. In addition, Eagle Cards are a great value for all of the discounted goods and services they provide. To join the PTSA, purchase Eagle Cards, and/or donate for Teacher Birthday/Appreciation gifts, please visit the Oak Canyon PTSA store link:



Also, PTSA meetings will be held every third Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 in the TLC. All are welcome to attend.

OCJH AFTER SCHOOL BALLROOM





BOYS BASKETBALL OPEN GYM

Boys Basketball Open Gym: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:25-4:00 pm. Starting September 3rd

OCJH SPIRIT STORE BACK TO SCHOOL SALE 8/20-9/24



START SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS!

Parents, we would like to spotlight Oak Canyon students that are up to great things outside of school. The challenge is that we are not always aware of these student accomplishments/events to be celebrated. Please click on this link if you'd like your student to be spotlighted in a future edition of the Principal's Newsletter! https://forms.gle/KvYAYNKbDtwrMbpA6

RISE NOMINATIONS

Do you know a teacher, school employee, or bus driver who is Remarkable, Inspiring, Selfless, and/or Encouraging? Nominations are now open for the <u>2024-2025 ASD RISE Award</u>. Nominees will be recognized at their school, highlighted on our website, and a few each month will be selected for Board Recognition during a Board meeting at the District Office.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sign up now!





Pleasant Grove HS Girls Lacrosse Fall Ball

September 3rd through October 24th Practice is Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4:30 to 6:30 Valley View Elementary - 941 Orchard Dr.



Join us for a fun Fall lacrosse season. This is for new and returning players grades 9 through 12 in Pleasant Grove High School Boundaries.

We have equipment to use for any girls wishing to try for the first time. Cost is 150.00 payable to PGHS Contact Coach Ryan with any question ryansulz@alpinedistrict.org or 801.830.1923

REMINDERS:

STUDENT INFORMATION UPDATE IN SKYWARD--VERY IMPORTANT

Now is the time to update any student information in Skyward. This includes updating emergency contacts, student internet permissions, setting preferences to receive school emails and voice messages from the school, and more. This information needs to be updated for each student each year. This is also where you indicate that you give your permission for a student to check out a Chromebook. They cannot check one out without your permission. Students cannot access their school accounts/email either if the update has not been completed. If you need assistance, please click on this <u>link</u> for a tutorial.

OCJH IS A CLOSED CAMPUS

We are a closed campus. Any time a student needs to leave campus, even lunch, they must be checked out through the front office. When they return, they need to check back in through the front office. (Wednesday lunch is the one exception to this.)

STUDENTS AND DOOR DASH

Please inform your students not to door-dash food to the school. Food will not be delivered to students, and students should not leave class to pick up food deliveries. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

EXCUSING STUDENT ABSENCES

Attendance reminder: You can excuse absences (past, present, or future) in Skyward. Make sure you're logged in to your parent account and go to the Attendance Tab. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Decker in the front office.

SCHOOL FEES

Fees are now available to pay on <u>myschoolfees.com</u>. If your student will be making changes to their schedule we suggest you wait to pay for fees until their schedule has been finalized. Fee waiver applications are available on our website, at the district's website, or at the finance window. Fee Waiver applications, along with supporting documentation, are due by Sept 30, 2024. Please reach out to the finance office via email at jhoyal@alpinedistrict.org or by phone 801-610-8141 with any questions. Thank you!

OCJH CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country practice is after school daily from 2:45-4:00. Starting on Wednesday September 4th we have meets every Wednesday from 5-6, and the Championship is on Wednesday, October 2nd. Meets are: September 4th @ AFJH; September 11th @ Oak Canyon; September 18th @ Viewpoint; September 25th @ at Mountain Ridge.

24-25 BELL SCHEDULE--WEDNESDAY EARLY OUT CHANGES

There is one major change to our bell schedule this year: lunch on early out Wednesdays will come at the end of the day, and there will only be one lunch on Wednesdays. Class will adjourn at 12:45 and lunch will go from 12:45-1:15. Buses will depart from the school at 1:15. If students do not want to stay for lunch on campus, they can be picked up or walk home after 12:45. Please note the updated bell schedule and teacher lunch assignments for the year.



A-DAY LUNCH SCHEDULE **FIRST LUNCH** SECOND LUNCH Adamson Miller Allphin Roberts Allan Monson Baller Robinson Andrus Moorehead Bench Sanders Bethel Otterson De La Cruz Seminary Prestes Blake Ecalono Smith Braswell Rawson Escobedo Sparks Graham Redford Fuller Stone Hall Robison Jorgensen Torrence Seastrand Kunkel Van Komen A. Holmes Shumway Lamoreaux White Lister Taylor Meinzer Marshall Thomas Mather **B-DAY LUNCH SCHEDULE FIRST LUNCH** SECOND LUNCH Allphin Adamson Mather Kunkel Baller **Andrus** Miller Meinzer Bethel Monson Bench Moulton Riake Moorehead Cheney Roberts Braswell Nguyen De La Cruz Seminary Cook Prestes Ecalono Smith Flood Rawson Escobedo Sparks Graham Redford Fuller Torrence Hall Robison Garlick Van Komen A. Holmes Seastrand Goold White T. Holmes Taylor Hermansen Lake Thomas Jorgensen Marshall

*** LUNCHES BASED ON A3 OR B7 TEACHERS***

FROM THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Some of our bus routes have <u>DOUBLE RUNS</u>. Watch the short video clip to learn more about how they work. We're always looking for additional drivers to help eliminate the need for double runs, so if you or someone you know would be interested in driving a bus, <u>CLICK HERE</u> to apply. Bus routes are available online <u>HERE</u>. For bus stops, use the magnifying glass in the top right corner and enter your address, then select your student's school level on the left side of the page. Select "pick-up" for the time the bus will leave before school, or "drop-off" for the approximate time your student will be dropped off after school.