

OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! I'm thankful for a God who has given me a confident expectation of heaven.

I'm thankful for a God who has promised to give wisdom and discernment.

I'm thankful for a God who is sovereign in every circumstance.

I'm thankful for a wife who is all that God has intended a wife to be and more than I could ever deserve.

I'm thankful for three sons who love and serve the Lord.

I'm thankful for a beautiful granddaughter.

I'm thankful for the ministry where God has placed me.

I'm thankful for the godly men and women that I serve with.

I'm thankful for the young men and women, boys and girls that all of us have the opportunity to see grow in wisdom and love for God.

I'm thankful for a school board that devotes unheard of amounts of time and energy to this school.

I'm thankful for you.

Just a few of my thanksgivings this week, what are yours? Walk worthy.



PARENT MEETING

There is a meeting for all parents on Monday, December 13 at 7:00 PM in the cafetorium. At this time, the Board will inform all on the most recent developments regarding OCA's home next year. Childcare will be provided by the 8th grade class.



CHRISTMAS BONUS

During this season of thanksgiving and remembrance, the OCA Board asks for financial contributions to honor our teachers and staff. Our employees sacrifice significantly to work at our school and this is a small token of appreciation for that sacrifice. The amount given will be divided equally among all employees based on their full/part time status.

Make your checks payable to OCA and note "Christmas Bonus". Your gifts are tax deductible. May the Lord richly bless you for your sacrifice.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

Nov 22 - JH B BB vs BT - 6:30/7:30 PM

- Frontier Conf. Play Production@CVA-2:30

Nov 23 - 7-12 grade Holiday Concert - 7:00 PM

Nov 25-26 - Thanksgiving Vacation

NEXT WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

Nov 30- 1st grade to Rose Theater - 12:15-2:30 PM

- Pep Band Rehearsal - 3:00-4:30 PM

- JH B BB @ Bellevue Mus. - 5:30

Dec 1 - NSAA District One-Act @ Murdoch

Dec 2 - B BB @ CVA - 6:15/8:00 PM

Dec 3 - V BB vs Bancroft-Rosalie-6:15/8:00 PM

Dec 4 - G BB @ Lewiston - 5:45/7:30 PM

LOOKING AHEAD



Dec 7 - Christmas Concerts

- K-2nd grades - 6:30 PM

- 3rd-6th grades - 7:30 PM

Dec 13 - Parent Meeting - 7:00 - cafetorium

Dec 16-17-HS Christmas Musical - TBA

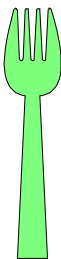
Dec 20-21 - Semester Finals

Dec 21 - Elementary Christmas parties

- End of 2nd quarter

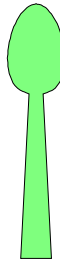
Dec 22 - Jan 2 - Christmas break

Jan 3 - Classes resume



HELP

Please encourage your children and students to return silverware and not to throw it away or take it home. We are losing around **thirty** pieces each week. If you have extra forks and spoons at home that you are willing to donate, please send them to school with your child.



ALL DISTRICT FOOTBALL

Congratulations to the following players:

- 1st Team
- Dirk Ruyf, Defensive Line
 - Justin Richards, Offensive Line
 - Scott Nilus, Running Back
 - Scott Nilus, Kicker
- 2nd Team
- Nate Thompson, Defensive Line
 - Brian Push, Running Back



WEEK OF 11/22 THRU 11/26

Nov 22	Salisbury Steak Mashed Pot. w/gravy Kiwi Quarters Roll Choc. cake	Salad Box - chicken Kiwi Quarters Roll Choc. cake
Nov 23	Fried Chicken Candied Sweet Potatoes Fruit Biscuit Cookie	Shrimp Salad Sand. Candied Sweet Potatoes Fruit Biscuit Cookie
Nov 24	Pizza Hut pizza Lettuce Salad Raisins Pudding Cup	Cold Chicken Picnic Box Lettuce Salad Raisins Pudding Cup
Nov 25-26	NO SCHOOL - HAPPY THANKSGIVING	

WEEK OF 11/29 THRU 12/3

Nov 29	Hot Dog Baked Beans Apple Baked Chips	Salami & Cheese Sand. Baked Beans Apple Baked Chips
Nov 30	Chicken & Noodles Carrots Fresh Pear Choc. chip bar w/fudge Hot roll	Salad box w/egg & cheese Fresh Pear Choc. chip bar w/fudge
Dec 1	Breaded Beef patty Green Beans Mini Banana Rice Krispy Bar	Turkey & Cheese sand. Green Beans Mini Banana Rice Krispy Bar
Dec 2	Nachos w/meat & cheese Jicama Slices Peach Cup Cinn Crumb cake	Cottage Cheese & fruit Jicama Slices Peach Cup Cinn Crumb cake
Dec 3	Smart Sub Pickle Spear Cherry Crisp Ice Cream Cup	Chef Salad Box Cherry Crisp Ice Cream Cup

***Students may choose yogurt & cheese stick as a main dish alternative.**

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.40 (K-4) **Tickets:** \$24.00 (K-4) 10 Lunches
 \$2.55 (5-12) \$25.50 (5-12) 10 Lunches
 \$1.00 Extra Entrees \$10.00 - 10 Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

YOUTH SPORTS BASKETBALL UPDATE

Youth Sports filled the following teams: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th
 All students should be contacted before Christmas break about practices.



BAND PARENTS

There is an important band meeting for all 8th grade - 12th grade band parents on November 23rd after the concert in the band room.

GUIDANCE CORNER

- ☞ Seniors who work an average of 15 hours per week and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher are eligible to apply for the Burger King Scholarship. The deadline is December 15. Please contact the guidance office if you meet these requirements.
- ☞ Seniors who have a GPA of at least 3.5 are eligible to apply for one of three scholarships available through the Nebraska State Historical Society Foundation. Nominations are due January 15. Please contact the guidance office for more information.
- ☞ Several scholarship opportunities are available to seniors through the American Legion Auxiliary. Eligibility requirements vary from scholarship to scholarship but all require the student to be a relative of a veteran. Contact the guidance office for specifics.
- ☞ The Assistance League of Omaha is offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two classes. Both classes must be attended to receive full coverage. Class #1 will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. Class #2 will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. There is a \$30 fee. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.
- ☞ The City of Omaha Parks & Recreation has several summer employment opportunities available. They will be interviewing for these positions on December 27 and 28 at different locations. Contact the guidance office for more information.
- ☞ The United States Naval Academy will be offering Summer Seminars to high school students who are interested in the Naval Academy. The seminars will take place June 4-9, 11-16, and 18-23. If interested in this opportunity contact the guidance office for more information.
- ☞ Scholarship applications are available in the guidance office for the Liz Karnes Memorial Scholarship For Drug-Free Youth. The eligibility requirements include being a senior who lives in Douglas or Sarpy County and who have never used alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, or any other illegal drug and who have promoted drug-free life-styles. Deadline is Feb. 11.
- ☞ EducationQuest Foundation and the Nebraska ETV Network will be hosting a live call-in show, Countdown To College, on Thursday, December 9, at 7 p.m. During this one-hour program, experts in the areas of college planning, admissions and financial aid experts will answer viewers' questions on the air. You can submit questions now or the evening of the show by calling 800-666-3721 or e-mailing them to countdown@educationquest.org. You'll receive an answer on the air or via e-mail.

Calendar:

- Nov. 24 - U.S. Naval Academy Rep Visit
- Dec. 6 - Senior Class Fundraiser Christmas Party, 7:00 in Cafeteria
- Dec. 20 - SAT Registration Deadline for the Jan. 22 Test
- Dec. 29 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the Jan. 22 Test
- ☞ **If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.**

WANTS AND NEEDS LIST

- ☞ Electric, self-cleaning oven for Home Ec room

Walk Worthy



ATTENTION TRP CUSTOMERS

The last T.R.P. order **before** Christmas will be called in at 2:00 PM on Monday, November 29, 2004. Plan ahead as this is the Monday after Thanksgiving break! Remember to order any gift cards you need for Christmas gifts! Please pay close attention to the number in the lower right hand corner "Office Use Only" box. The current order form is #28. The denomination of the gift cards vary from time to time depending on what the gift card supplier gets from the participating vendors. Therefore, the order form has been changing frequently! Order forms are available on our school web site and in the school office. If you have any questions, please call the school office and ask for Tammy Krumwiede.



COME TO OUR OPEN DRESS REHEARSAL!

Too Many Doctors, our one-act competition play, will give an open dress rehearsal Monday, November 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. For just two dollars, enjoy a hilarious play and cheer our one-act team to victory at district competition on December 1.

CONCESSION & GATE WORKERS

Dec 3- V BB vs Bancroft-Rosalie-6:15/8:00

Gate Worker - start at 5:30 - Galvin

Concession - start at 5:45 - Minich/Binko

LETTER JACKETS

OCA Letter jackets are available to high school students. There are two different styles on display in the school office. The company we have chosen to use is Hauff Sports at 12th & Capital. By purchasing them from one company, all the jackets will be uniform in color and lettering.

A letter jacket would be an ideal birthday or Christmas present. Delivery is approximately 6 weeks after the order is placed so plan ahead. More information and order forms are available in the school office.

ELECTION TIME

The OCA Association shall hold elections for 3 seats on the Board of Directors at its February meeting. Board candidates must be members of the OCA Association (see the office for details on Association membership if you do not already belong). The OCA Board asks that you prayerfully consider serving on the board for a 3 year term from 2005 through 2008. If you are interested, stop by the office and pick up a "Prospective Board Member Questionnaire". The Board also asks current Association members to serve on the Board's Nominating Committee. Please contact Joe Turco via email if possible at joe.turco@optimumdata.com if you have any questions.

DRESS CODE CHANGE

There has been a slight change in the dress code. T-shirts may be untucked as long as they do not reach to the bottom of the back pockets of the pants.