


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! Thanks to all of you that came to the Association meeting last Thursday night. It is true that the times that the school is in some sort of crises we have the largest turn out to an Association meeting. That was the largest group I have seen in my short tenure at the school and yet the whole meeting was very positive and informative. Thank you for asking such, "Great questions." And they were, questions that needed to be asked to have the information that parents need to know when they are intrusting the care of their child to an institution. I look forward to working with Mr. Hawk and Mr. Strasser as new members on the Board. It appears as though their areas of expertise will contribute towards the ongoing ministry of fulfilling the mission of OCA. It is my prayer that as parents and association members, even when all is going well for OCA, you will understand how important a part you play in the ministry of the school, and how much the Board members and administration appreciate your support as demonstrated by attendance and participation at these meetings, and continue to come. Continue to pray that everything becomes finalized for a new facility, and walk worthy.

REGISTER NOW & SAVE

Registration for classes next fall is in full swing. Returning families receive a \$50 discount per child off the registration fee if registered **before March 1st**.

It is **extremely important** that current families register soon. Contracts to teachers may be withheld until we have enough students to justify giving a contract. There is a high feasibility that there will only be one class at each elementary grade level. If you want your student guaranteed a spot for classes this fall, register today. The Returning Student Registration form is attached.

New families may begin registering on Tuesday, March 1st at 8:00 AM. Registration is on a first come basis.



K-8 YOUTH SPORTS SPRING SOCCER SIGN-UPS THIS TUESDAY!

It's hard to think about spring sports with the snow outside and basketball underway, but **spring soccer sign-ups are this Tuesday, February 15th** from 3:15 – 5:00 pm. (Note the time due to the HS Basketball game.) **Registrations will only be taken next week beginning on the 15th. The late fee will be assessed on the 17th.** The spring soccer season runs from April 2nd to May 21nd and the fee is \$45.00. There is more information on the registration form that was attached to the N&N last week and is available on the school's website. Long lines frequently form for spring soccer sign-ups. Registrations are taken in the order that you are in line and teams are formed on a first come-first serve basis. If there are any questions, please call Terri Zimmerle at 493-2850 or email her at zimmerle@aol.com.

Happy Valentine's Day!

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

- Feb 14 - Elementary Valentine parties - 2:00 PM
 - Girls BB Subdis@Wahoo vs Waterloo- 7:00
- Feb 15 - Girls BB Subdis@Wahoo vs Scrib/Sny - 6:00
(If we win on Monday)
- Feb 17 - NHS Induction
- Feb 18 - Boys BB vs Omaha Nation - 6:15/8:00

NEXT WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

- Feb 20 - Band to Grace Baptist - 6:00 PM
- Feb 21 - NO SCHOOL
 - Boys BB Subdis@Wahoo - 7:00 PM
 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Feb 23 - 4th-6th grade to Symphony-9:15-11:15
- Feb 25 - 7th grade to zoo - 10:30 - 3:00
- Feb 25-28 - Worship team to SD
- Feb 26 - NSAA Speech @ Dodge

LOOKING AHEAD



- Mar 1 - Kindergarten Round-up - 7:00 PM
- Mar 10 - End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar 10-13 - Band Tour
- Mar 11 - NO SCHOOL
- Mar 16-20 - Senior Trip
- Mar 25-28 - Spring Break
- Ap 8 & 9 - Garage Sale

WEEK OF 2/14 THRU 2/18

Feb 14	Chicken Nuggets Cal. Veggie Salad Cupid Cherry Cup Tea Roll Heart Cookie	Salami & cheese sand. Cal. Veggie Salad Cupid Cherry Cup Tea Roll Heart Cookie
Feb 15	Beef Quesadilla Corn Orange Smiles Gum Drop Cake	Cott. cheese & fruit Corn Orange Smiles Gum Drop Cake
Feb 16	Spaghetti w/meat sauce Lettuce Salad Pineapple Cinn. Dessert Breadstick	Salad Box - Chicken Pineapple Cinn. Dessert Breadstick
Feb 17	Taco burger on a bun w/lettuce & cheese cup Potato rounds Banana Snickerdoodle	Egg Salad Bagel box Potato rounds Banana Snickerdoodle
Feb 18	Mac & Cheese Fresh Broccoli Mixed fruit Soft pretzel Shape up	Taco Salad Mixed fruit Soft pretzel Shape up

WEEK OF 2/21 THRU 2/25

Feb 21	NO SCHOOL	
Feb 22	Breaded Chicken patty w/bun Baby Carrots Midnight pears Rice Krispie Bar	Tuna Salad Sand. Baby Carrots Midnight pears Rice Krispie Bar
Feb 23	Pizza Hut pizza Green Beans Apple Choc. Chip cookie	Crispy Chicken Salad Green Beans Apple Choc. Chip cookie
Feb 24	Nachos w/beef & cheese Mexi Corn Banana Blue Jello	Salad box w/funa Banana Blue Jello
Feb 25	Grilled Cheese Sand. Tomato Soup Orange Smiles Pudding Cup Crackers	Taco Salad Orange Smiles Pudding 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.

GUIDANCE CORNER

- ☞ The Lincoln Foundation has several scholarship opportunities available to high school seniors. You may find information about their available scholarships by visiting their website at www.lcf.org. Click on scholarships and select the category high school students outside of Lancaster County.
- ☞ High school students interested in health careers may want to participate in the Children's Hospital Exploring Program. Due to the high interest in the program they are limiting the session to 50 students. If you are interested in participating in the program please call Chrissy Cacioppo at 431-9272. Reservations will be taken on a first-come, first serve basis. They will host a kick-off meeting on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 6 p.m., at Children's Hospital for those who have reserved a spot.
- ☞ The Junior Law Cadet Program sponsored by the Nebraska American Legion and the Nebraska State Patrol will provide area juniors the opportunity to learn about the role of law enforcement officers in the preservation of law and order and in providing the service, security and protection required for the public welfare. Four 11th grade students (two boys and two girls) from each of the 15 districts of the American Legion will be allowed to participate. The programs will take place on June 13-17 for girls and on June 20-24 for the boys. If interested in participating in this program please contact the guidance office.
- ☞ Iowa Western Community College will be hosting a Spring Visit Day on Feb. 25. If interested in attending contact the guidance office.
- ☞ Seniors interested in attending Northwest Missouri State University may be eligible for a scholarship opportunity. Contact the guidance office for more information.
- ☞ Midwest Information Systems Professionals will be awarding five scholarships (1 for \$1,500 and 4 for \$800 each) to prospective students in beginning or furthering their education in the area of information technology. Applications are available in the guidance office. Deadline is March 1.
- ☞ Nebraska Wesleyan Univ. will be hosting Prairie Wolf Days, college visitation days on March 12 and April 2. If interested in attending RSVP to Admissions at 800-541-3818, ext. 2218 or email admissions@nebrwesleyan.edu.
- ☞ Any juniors who may be interested in attending one of the U.S. Service Academies need to be aware of several important dates. The process begins with a written request to a U.S Senator and/or Member of the House of Representatives requesting a nomination to a service academy. Detailed information is available in the guidance information.
- ☞ UNO will be hosting their Summer Scholars Program for juniors who have a minimum GPA of 3.0. The Summer Scholars Program provides college-bound high school juniors from the greater Omaha metropolitan area with the opportunity to enroll in classes to earn college credits, prepare for college life, and meet new people. The cost of the program is paid for by scholarship which will cover four credit hours of college tuition for the specified program courses, all student fees, books, and parking permit. The application deadline is March 4. Applications are available in the guidance office.

- Calendar:**
- Feb. 16 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for the March 12 Test
- Feb. 17 - Methodist College Rep Visit
- March 4 - ACT Registration Deadline for the April 9 Test
- March 16 - Seniors leave for Senior Trip, return on March 20
- March 18 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for the April 9 Test
- March 25 - SAT Registration Deadline for the May 7 Test

CONCESSION & GATE WORKERS

Feb 18-B BB vs Omaha Nation - 6:15/8:00
Gate Worker - start at 5:30 - Berg
Concessions - start at 5:45 - Wells & Warnke

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

☞ Two teachers remain to try their basketball skills for our last home game Friday, February 18th – Mrs. Vesely and Miss Kroeker. So come and cheer them and our OCA EAGLES!

☞ **Redwheel Fundraiser ends TODAY!** So *finish strong* and bring any last minute order sheets and money to the office first thing Tuesday Morning! The pick-up date will be March 3 so please mark you calendars. If each family would sell just two items, we would be able to raise \$5,000 for our athletics, performing arts and music departments. Thank you for your support.

☞ Booster Club Meeting is this Thursday at 8am in the childcare room. If you are interested in being a part of this great team of “behind the scenes” parents that support our Performing Arts and Athletic Programs at OCA – **COME!** We have many opportunities as we look ahead to the 2005-2006 year for service.



SKATING PARTY

There is an all-school skating party on March 19 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Skateland on 84th & F. Mark your calendars now.

HS SCHOOL STUDENTS/PARENTS

All subdistrict games that both the girls and boys are competing in are held at the **Wahoo Public High School**. Maps are available in the school office.



SCHOLARSHIP FUND FLOWER SALE

The Flower Sale is just around the corner! Last year's Flower Sale was fun for students and parents alike. This was because of the prizes so many students took home, including the Grand Prize of a Worlds Of Fun Weekend for the school-wide Top Seller, and because flowers are something that nearly every household purchases as spring approaches.

This year the Scholarship Fund Flower Sale will be trying to **double** the \$18,000 in flowers sold last year, but we need **VOLUNTEERS!!**

We need daytime help one day per week tallying sales and distributing weekly prizes, load-in and setup help on the day flowers arrive and on the pick up day. We also need prizes for the students. Those prizes include candy bars (lots and lots of candy bars), gift certificates, passes of all kinds, and of course the ever popular Prize Closet where they can pick their items.

Several students told us last year that this is the easiest fundraiser they've ever been involved in. Why? Because everybody loves fresh flowers!

If you can give one day per week between March 1st and April 1st; or can help with tarp lay down, table setup and breakdown, plant sorting and carrying for the load-in April 21-23, please contact Beth Drowne at 573-9291 as soon as possible. We need your help!