


# OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

# NEWS & NOTES

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## ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! We are under way, Yeah!! Whatever anxieties about the place we are going to, have been replaced with how we are going to get there and how everything is going to work. I know, I know, "Be anxious for nothing." Life would be way too easy if we did everything God's way. Just so everyone is on the same page, we are going to have a Parent Connection meeting on March 22. It will be held at the new building, probably in the cafeteria. The room that is going to be used for the primary grades will probably not be available that evening but you will be able to walk through the four rooms on the second floor, and meander through the middle school and high school rooms on the third floor. I'll be around to answer any questions that have answers. More about that meeting next week, until then, make life easy for yourself, walk worthy.

## PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES



Parent/Teacher conferences are **this Friday** from 12:00-8:00 PM. These conferences are required. Kindergarten through 5th grade parents need to schedule a 15 minute conference by calling the school office. Secondary conferences are in the gym and no appointments are needed. Just stop by to see your child's teachers and pick up report cards.

## BAKERS NEEDED

So, you're on a diet but still like to bake? The *Good Eats Bake Sale* at our Garage Sale is your solution. We're needing your best cookies, cakes, rolls, pies, etc. Start planning how you can contribute on April 8th & 9th.



## FLOWER SALE



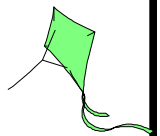
You should have received a packet of information, order forms, and a color brochure. More forms are available in the office when you need them. Please make sure your child's name and grade are on every order form you turn in. Students can check out a sample of prizes in the display case by the office. If you have questions or would like to volunteer call Beth Drowne at 573-9291 in the evenings. **Spread a little Spring!!**

## ENROLLMENT FOR 2005-2006

### SCHOOL YEAR

Kindergarten	-	17
1st Grade	-	19
2nd Grade	-	18
3rd Grade	-	16
4th Grade	-	26
5th Grade	-	20
6th Grade	-	22
7th Grade	-	23
8th Grade	-	25
9th Grade	-	18
10th Grade	-	31
11th Grade	-	26
12th Grade	-	22
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>283</b>
<b>Preschool</b>	-	<b>18</b>

## CALENDAR



### THIS WEEK - Tuesday/Friday week

- Mar 16-20- Senior Trip
- Mar 17 - Elem/MS Music recital
- Mar 18 - Parent/Teacher Conf. - 12:00-8:00
- Mar 19 - Thomas Jefferson Quiz Bowl-8:30-4:00
  - Track @ NE Wesleyan - 9:30 AM
  - Skating Party - 5:00-7:00 PM

### NEXT WEEK - Monday/Thursday week

- Mar 21 -ESU Quiz Bowl
  - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
  - Conf. Instr Honors/Art @ Prague Concert-7:00
- Mar 22 - Smart Meet @ Grace
- Mar 23 - 7th grade to Lincoln - 8:00-3:30
- Mar 24 - 4th grade to Lincoln - 8:30-3:15
  - HS Music recital
  - Read-in - K-4th - 2:00-3:00
- Mar 25-28 - NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

### LOOKING AHEAD



- Ap 1-4 - Ensemble Tour
- Ap 8 & 9 - Garage Sale
- Ap 15 - Trinity Spring Festival
- Ap 22 - District Music Contest
- Ap 26 - Spring Concert - 4th-8th grade - 7:00 PM
- Ap 29 - Jr/Sr Banquet

**WEEK OF 3/14 THRU 3/18**

Mar 14	California Burger on bun French Fries Mixed Fruit Choc Cake w/choc frosting	Cottage Cheese & fruit French Fries Choc Cake w/choc frosting
Mar 15	Chicken Nugget Drummies Corn 1/2 Jelly Sandwich Brownie	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Corn Brownie
Mar 16	Spaghetti w/meat sauce Italian Lettuce Salad Peach Cup Garlic Bun Pudding cup	Tomato Stuffed w/cot. ch. Italian Lettuce Salad Peach Cup Garlic Bun Pudding cup
Mar 17	Beef Quesadilla Green Beans Kiwi Luck O' The Irish Cake	Salad Box - chicken Kiwi Luck O' The Irish Cake
Mar 18	NO SCHOOL	

**WEEK OF 3/21 THRU 3/25**

Mar 21	Sloppy Joe on a bun Baby Carrots Pears Pudding Cup	Chicken Taco Salad Pears Pudding Cup
Mar 22	Chicken Nugget Rings Potato Rounds Grapes 1/2 Jelly Sandwich Toastio Bars	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Potato Rounds Grapes Toastio Bars
Mar 23	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Raisins Oatmeal Cookies	Tom. Stuffed w/sal. salad Lettuce Salad Raisins Oatmeal Cookies
Mar 24	Sliced Turkey Mashed Pot. w/gravy Jello w/bananas Hot roll	Salad Box - Chicken Jello w/bananas Hot roll
Mar 25	NO SCHOOL	

**\*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.**

**FYI**

There will be five secondary teachers unable to be at Parent/Teacher Conferences due to other school responsibilities. They are Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Jenkins, Mr. Ginn, Mrs. Rozema, and Mr. Fordyce. To schedule a conference with one of these teachers either this week or next, call the school office and leave a message.



**REMINDER: BRING ELEMENTARY ARTWORK!!**

Elementary student artwork will be displayed at the Trinity Spring Festival April 15<sup>th</sup>. If any student has already done a project at home or at school and would like to enter the work in the meet bring the entry to the office. Students may submit several entries. Each work needs to be matted or mounted onto a stiff piece of mat board or paper. The competition accepts all types of media: pencil, watercolor, collage, tempera, pastel, sculptures, clay, etc. Bring the student's artwork and sign up in the office immediately. We submit the number of entries and fee on March 15<sup>th</sup>. Each entry is \$2.00, but the office will bill all events that your child is participating in at one time. The artwork will be delivered to Trinity and judged the week of the meet. Thanks, Mrs. Isaacson

**METROPOLITAN SCIENCE & ENGINEERING FAIR**

Saturday, five OCA students participated in the Metropolitan Science and Engineering Fair held at UNO. The following awards were received by our students:

- Max Lewis** - 2nd Place - Energy, Jr. Division
- Sean West** - Hon. Mention - Botany, Jr. Division
- Zach Lahm** - Hon. Mention - Consumer Chem., Jr. Division
- Emily Lovgren** - Hon. Mention - Microbiology, Jr. Division
- Nick Warnke** - Hon. Mention - Physics, Jr. Division



**LIBRARY NEWS**

- 1) Thank you to the many who have donated books to the OCA library this year!!
  - 2) However, we are asking that you **DO NOT BRING ANY MORE books this year**. We are already "weeding out" and making plans to pack up the library for our move.
  - 3) We have a number of extra sets of older encyclopedias that OCA families can have for the asking.
  - 4) We have a number of projectors for 16mm reel films and filmstrips. If you would like to see what is available or take them for your own use, **see Mrs. Randall soon!**
  - 5) There may also be an number of books for smaller children available.
  - 6) If you can help pack books, let Mrs. Randall know.
- \*Any monetary donations for items listed above can be given to the OCA general fund.

**"MOVING OUT" HELP NEEDED**

Dwight Eveland is looking for some volunteers with strong backs (and weak minds) to help relocate the playground equipment on Saturdays in April. Call 399-9480 (day) or 572-7908 (evening) to volunteer.





## ALL SCHOOL SKATING PARTY

The all-school Skating Party is this Saturday, March 19th from 5:00-7:00 PM at Skateland on 84th & F Streets. All teachers, parents, students, and friends are welcome to attend.



## OCA SPEECH TEAMS ENDS SUCCESSFUL SEASON!

OCA drama competed at Speech Meets at both the Conference and District Level this year. God has blessed us with many talented students in the area of speech and drama! Omaha Christian took first place as a school this year winning the Conference plaque. At this meet, the top three contestants from each category were recognized. The following students received medals at Conference:

Ari Berg	1 <sup>st</sup>	Informative Speech
Liz Putman	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Informative Speech
Michaela Schroeder	1 <sup>st</sup>	Persuasive Speech
Nina Koch	1 <sup>st</sup>	Serious Interpretation
Ariel Binko	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Humorous Prose
Dirk Ruyf	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Poetry
C. Steggerda & J. Richards	1 <sup>st</sup>	Duet Acting
Lauren Phillips, Laurelin Sterns, Loni Willis, Tyler Maskell, Andrew Galvin	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Oral Interp. of Drama

At the District Meet we took 3<sup>rd</sup> place as a school, close behind Dodge and Winside High Schools. At the meet, the top four students were recognized with first and second place winners going on to compete in Kearney at the State level. OCA has the pleasure of sending four students to state this year! The following students received medals at Districts:

Liz Putman	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Informative Speech
Ari Berg	4 <sup>th</sup>	Informative Speech
Katie Phillips	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Persuasive Speech
Michaela Schroeder	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Persuasive Speech
C. Steggerda & J. Richards	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Duet Acting
Michaela Schroeder	1 <sup>st</sup>	Poetry
Katilyn Kotchka	4 <sup>th</sup>	Poetry
Ariel Binko	4 <sup>th</sup>	Humorous Prose

Competition at Districts was particularly stiff. Many excellent students and coaches were represented at this competition. We are so proud of the way our students performed. Please pray for our four state qualifiers – Katie Phillips, Michaela Schroeder, Justin Richards and Chantelle Steggerda – as they go to compete at the state level in Kearney on March 18. Thanks team and parents for all your hard work! Mrs. Rozema & Mr. Fordyce

## OCA'S TRADING SPACES 2005

### April 8 & 9

The Annual OCA Garage/Bake sale is coming up **VERY** quickly! The dates are April 8th and 9th. This all school fundraiser made over \$14,000 for the general fund last year! Every sale is a wonderful way to fellowship & get to meet and know the school family. "**All school**" means that each and every one of us has a responsibility to help with this sale. We need three things: PRAYER, donations and some of your time.

Pray for good weather, workers and good quality donations. Mostly pray that God will be glorified in what we say and do.

We need quality donations.! We will accept your good quality donations starting:

Saturday, April 2nd - 9 am - noon

Monday - Thursday, April 4-7 - 8 am - 4:30 pm

No donations after Thursday!

Big items such as sofas and dinning room sets are welcomed. If you need help with pick up please call Mr. Eveland @ 399-9480 (days) & 572-7908 (evenings) to set up a time for Saturday pick up.

Time: this sale is a huge undertaking that is impossible without the help of the OCA family. Listed below are some of the jobs we need to fill:

- Cashiers
- Sorters
- Pricers
- Security

- People to:
- Put signs up
  - Distribute flyers
  - Set up tables
  - Take down tables
  - Carry out on sale day
  - Friday move furniture
  - Bake goods

If there is something on this list that you thought, "I can do that!" Don't delay! Call or go into the office to sign up for the best time for you to help! Those that have signed up for a time will be able to shop Monday - Thursday. There will be **NO SALES** on Friday before the doors open at 5 pm! The bake sale brings in a lot of money. Bake sale items should be brought in on Friday or Saturday morning. No cream pies, please. The OCA "family" is the best tool we have. Please post flyers at your church or business. Extras are in the office. If you have any questions about the garage/bake sale, please contact Becky White @ 397-3523.