


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

 Blessings! I sure hope that everyone enjoyed their break and had a most blessed time on Sunday, worshipping the Lord on the day set aside to celebrate His resurrection that assured our salvation. Now it is time to get back to work. I'm writing this Monday morning while both soccer teams are practicing. There are teachers in the building, and I'm sure everyone is getting ready for the final five and a half weeks of school. Parents, there is much going on during this stretch run. Your children need to be diligent in finishing their work on time. There are programs, athletic contests, and Spring weather to distract the students from accomplishing all they can as well as they can. Our teachers will do their best to keep the students focused. Please help by being involved and ask your children what they have done in school and what they need to get finished. Do not allow them to procrastinate because there will not be time added on at the end of the year. Parents and school working together provide the best education for the child. Let us do just that and make sure the students find the last month of school rewarding and enjoyable.

REGISTER NOW

 Registration for classes next fall is in full swing. If you have not registered your student(s) for the 2006-2007 school year, please register now. **Registration is on a first come basis and classes are filling up.** Don't Delay! If you are responsible for the enrollment of a new family to OCA, you will receive a \$100 credit to your account after the new student(s) completes their first semester at OCA.

COMING SOON! MELODRAMA!



The Requisite for the Undaunted OR *A Kingdom In Need of a Hero!* Needs your help to be a success. Dare to find out whether evil Count Xavier will take over the Kingdom of All that is Right and Pure and Good. Good, clean family fun with dinner included. Dinner and entertainment provided by the cowpokes down at the Lazy O Ranch. Dinner starts at 6:00 PM. Mark your calendars. Ticket information to follow.



TOM OSBORNE EVENT THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 6:30 P.M.

Come one and all to hear Congressman Tom Osborne speak to the OCA family at Liberty Christian Center. The Congressman will be speaking on "Christian Character in our Community". Feel free to bring family, friends, and neighbors. The dress for the evening is Business Casual – no jeans or tennis shoes.

If you personally invited your pastor to the reception, please follow up with them to make sure they are coming.



CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - A Week

- Ap 17 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Ap 18 - Track @ Syracuse-10:00 AM
- Ap 19 - Smart Meet @ EBC
- Ap 20 - Booster Club Mtg.- 8:00 AM
 - Tom Osborne event
 - G Soc vs Mercy - 5:00 PM
- Ap 21 - District Music @ Oakland Craig
- Ap 22 - Track @ Yutan - 9:00 AM
 - JH Track @ ISD - 1:00 PM
 - Quiz Bowl @ Firth

NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Ap 24 - G Soc vs So. Sioux - 5:00 PM
 - B Soc @ Brownell Talbot - 5:00 PM
- Ap 25 - Track @ Fort Calhoun - 1:15 PM
 - Elem/MS Spring Concert - 7:00
- Ap 26 - Seniors to zoo - 8:00 AM-3:20 PM
- Ap 27 - G Soc @ Auburn - 5:30
- Ap 28 - Trinity Spring Festival - 8:00 AM
 - Jr/Sr Banquet - 5:00

LOOKING AHEAD



- May 2 - HS Performing Arts Concert - 7:00 PM
- May 11-12 - Melodrama - 6:00 PM
- May 12-Track & Field Day - 1:00 PM
- May 16-Sports Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 18-Kindergarten Graduation - 7:00 PM
- May 19-Last Day of School - Elem & Seniors
 - HS Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 21- HS Graduation
- May 23-Last Day of School - Middle School
 - MS Awards - 7:00 PM
- May 25-Last Day of School - High School

WEEK OF 4/18 THRU 4/21

April 18	Pancakes & Sausage Potato Rounds Juice Cup Cinn. Crumb Cake	Chef Salad Box Juice Cup Cinn. Crumb Cake
April 19	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Medley Sugar Cookie	Turkey & Cheese Roll-up Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Medley Sugar Cookie
April 20	Hard Shell Tacos Refried Beans Corn Banana Cinn. Bread Stick	Smart Box Refried Beans Corn Banana Cinn. Bread Stick
April 21	Mac & Cheese Veggies w/ Dip Pears Soft Pretzel Choc. Cookie	Taco Salad Box Pears Soft Pretzel Choc. Cookie

WEEK OF 4/24 THRU 4/28

April 24	Corn Dog Veggies Grapes Pudding Cup	Turkey, Ham, & Che Sand. Veggies Grapes Pudding Cup
April 25	Enchilada Casserole Corn Kiwi Snickerdoodle Cookie	Salad Box w/ Meat & Che Kiwi Snickerdoodle Cookie
April 26	Spaghetti w/ meatballs Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Choc. Chip Muffin Sq.	Ham Salad Sandwich Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Choc. Chip Muffin Sq.
April 27	Philly Steak Sandwich Potato Wedges Strawberries Shortcake w/ Wh Cream	Tuna Salad Sandwich Potato Wedges Strawberries Shortcake w/ Wh Cream
April 28	Rib-a-que Sandwich Green Beans Banana Brownie	Salad Box w/ Tuna Banana Brownie

*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.

MIDDLE SCHOOL LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school is published in several different places. The green calendar listing all important dates for the year is incorrect. This calendar has the last day for MS listed as May 19th. **This is wrong! The last day for Middle School is May 23.** Sorry for the confusion.

SMART MEET



The SMART Meet has been rescheduled for this Wednesday, April 19 at Evangelical Bible Church, 7820 Fort Street. All events are planned just as they had been previously scheduled. If you had signed up to drive, please contact the office if you will **not** be available.

JUNIOR/SENIOR BANQUET



Photography by Jeffrey Bebee will be available the evening of the Junior/Senior Banquet on April 28, 2006. There are three photo packages available. Forms have been given to the juniors and seniors. Checks are payable to Jeffrey Bebee Photographer. Give the check and form to Rachel Bebee or bring it the evening of the banquet. Pictures will be delivered to OCA two or three weeks after the banquet.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART



On April 24-28 our school is holding a Jump Rope For Heart Event in honor of OCA's Athletic Director Mr. Thompson. Students will jump rope during their regular scheduled PE classes to raise funds for the American Heart Association. Jump Rope For Heart is a fun event! Our students will learn jump-rope skills while raising money to fund lifesaving research and educational programs. Our school also earns gift certificates for physical education equipment.

All students in grades K-8 received envelopes last Tuesday, April 11. Please sign the permission slip which is attached to the envelope, so your child can take part in Jump Rope For Heart. A form is available in the office if you choose to collect donations through e-mail. **Envelopes need to be returned by April 24.**

OCA has set a goal for each child to raise \$25.00. Thank you for helping your child participate in this worthwhile event.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INVITATIONS



All students in 10th–12th grade with a **cumulative GPA** of 3.25 or higher received a qualification letter, inviting them to apply for membership in the National Honor Society. If interested, they will need to pick up a packet from Mrs. Jenkins or Mrs. Lovgren. In order to be considered for membership, all completed packets are due **NO LATER THAN** Friday, April 21, at 4:00 PM. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All completed applications will then be reviewed by the Faculty Council. Students and parents will be notified of the induction at a special chapel to be held on Tuesday, May 9.



CONGRATULATIONS DUCHESNEART CONTEST WINNERS!

Duchesne Academy announces that OCA 7th and 8th grade's artwork has been selected for exhibition in the 12th annual art contest. Students were honored at the Awards Ceremony at Duchesne Academy on Fri., April 7th.

Several students received ribbons for their work. In the division for printmaking Mike Perry received 2nd, in watercolor Nathaniel Jones received 1st & Marietta Cosgrove received 2nd, in painting Nathaniel Jones received 2nd.

OCA students having work on display are: Alex Patterson, Marietta Cosgrove, Nathaniel Jones, Elijah Woitaszewski, Samuel Turco, The Che, Casey Vohnout, Joe Hawk, Alexandria Hutcherson, Blaize Smith, Josh Bebee, Mike Perry, Collin Arant, Peter Drake, Anna Wyatt, & Shannon Neal.

Congratulations to these students on their artistic talent and diligence in class! Our school is honored by their success.
Mrs. Isaacson

BOOSTER CLUB SEEKS LEADER

The term limits have hit the Booster Club and the current President cannot be re-elected. If you have leadership skills and would like to use them to benefit the sports & performing arts departments here at OCA, this is YOUR opportunity! The term is for one year with a limit of serving two terms. This position is open to a man or woman and the other positions are filled with highly capable, self starting, motivated people. Please call if you have questions or want to volunteer! Becky White at 397-3523.

THANK YOU, AGAIN!

Many thanks to all who supported OCA at the Annual Garage and Bake Sale. Thanks to all who volunteered in some way and stopped to shop, too! The sale raised \$5,609.92 for the school. Although the final tally was less than last year (likely due to the new location of the sale), we are thankful to the Lord for providing. See you next year!



BIG PROBLEM

We are getting complaints from the church that too many parents are dropping off and picking up students in the back parking lot. **Please, never** drop off or pick up your child(ren) in the back. Only faculty and staff are permitted to use the back parking lot.



ATTENTION PARENTS

Students in grades K-4 who have qualified for the reading reward, may bring a kite to school and wear knee length shorts this Friday, April 21. Students in grades 5-8 who have qualified may also wear knee length shorts on Friday. If you have questions on whether or not your child has qualified, please contact his/her teacher.



K-8 YOUTH SPORTS BASEBALL/ SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS!

Registration fees are due on April 25th! The cost is \$49.00 per child. If you are interested, SIGN UP soon! If there are not enough OCA students to make a team, your child can still play on a Y team! If you need a form, one can be obtained on the school's website; click "Youth Sports". Also, you can pick up a form in the school office. If you have questions please call Terri Zimmerle at 493-2850 or email her at tzimmerle@aol.com.

FOREIGN STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

OCA is interested in participating in a foreign students exchange program for the 2006-2007 academic year. The students that come will be between 4th-8th grade. This would be a growing experience for both the Korean students and OCA students, as they experience an exciting cultural exchange and form friendships with someone from the other side of the world.

To participate in this program, we need host families whose children attend here, or staff members who will commit to providing room and board to a Korean child for an academic year. Tuition and all expenses are fully paid by the Korean parents. The exchange students are carefully screened for English language ability and character, and are given orientation about American school & family life.

If you would like more information about this program, or about being a host family, please come to our office to pick up the brochure and talk to Karen Gingerich or call Mrs. Mison Cowell, the local area coordinator for Koam Education Alliance at 402-991-4616(h)/402-301-5257(cell).



TRP ORDER DATES

TRP orders will be placed on May 8th. Please have your order and money to the office no later than NOON on TRP turn-in days. The most current order form number is #32 found in the lower left hand corner of the order form.