


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! Two times a year, all those who care about Omaha Christian Academy may come together to have some input on what is happening here at the school. One of those times is tomorrow night. The two things on the agenda that are very important are the election of Board members and the approval of the planning budget for next year. We are a parent governed school in the sense that the Association, made up of parents, elects the Board which sets the policy for how the school is to be run. The gentlemen that have submitted their names for election to the Board will give their testimony and a statement regarding their intent for the school, or how they see themselves fitting on to the Board as it is constituted. There will also be a time that you may ask questions of these gentlemen to determine if they are the people that you want representing you on this Board. The other item is the proposed budget for next year. It is the planning budget. It is obvious that we cannot have an actual budget until we know what the enrollment figures are for the next year. There are areas of the budget, such as staffing and salary, which must be made before the enrollment numbers are known. The Board and Administrator uses the approved planning budget as a point of reference to determine the expenditures of monies for the coming year. This meeting is your opportunity to ask questions regarding the budget. Every one is welcome to this meeting, and you may voice your opinion whether or not you are an Association member. We would like to have you join the Association, which you may do when you come to the meeting, so that you may vote on the issues that are presented. See you tomorrow night.



VALENTINE'S DAY

Parents, would you like to send a rose to your child or your child's teacher? The Juniors are selling roses for Valentine's Day. Fill out the form with a message and turn in with money to the office, Mrs. Isaacson, or Julia Warnke. Please do this by February 10 so that the Juniors know how many roses to order. Thank You!



ASSOCIATION MEETING

There is an Association Meeting tomorrow, February 7th at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. If you would like voting rights, you must be an Association member. Stop by the school office to pick up a form or you may join the night of the meeting.



NHS SERVANT AUCTION

Looking for a baby-sitter, house cleaner, or someone to help with yard work? Well, we have just the thing for you! The students of National Honor Society will be "auctioned off" for 4 hours of work at the basketball games on February 10th. Don't miss your chance to help support NHS and get some extra help from the students.



TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher Appreciation Day is March 1st. We will be honoring our teachers the week of Feb. 27. Room parents will be organizing activities for the elementary teachers. Parents of MS & HS teachers may send monetary donations to school (checks made payable to OCA which are tax deductible). Gift certificates will be purchased that will be divided between the MS/HS teachers. A luncheon will be provided for all teachers on Tues., Feb. 28th. If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact Nancy Taylor at 493-2783 or Pass-A-Note.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - A Week

- Feb 6 - NE Frontier Speech Conf. @ CVA
- Feb 7 - Ant/Phys to IA Western - 8:30-2:30
- Association Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Feb 10 - ACSI Spelling Bee @ Cornerstone
- GJV/GV/BV vs Mead@Grace- 5:00/6:30/8:00
- Feb 11 - B BB vs Fremont Bergan @ Grace - 6:00/7:45

NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Feb 13 - G BB Sub-Districts - TBA
- Feb 14 - NHS to Old St. Joseph Hospital - 12:45-4:00
- Elementary Valentine Parties
- Feb 16 - Booster Club - 8:00 AM
- Feb 17 - B BB @ Omaha Nation - 6:15/8:00

LOOKING AHEAD



- Feb 20 - NO SCHOOL
- Feb 27 - Kindergarten Round-up

WEEK OF 2/6 THRU 6/10

Feb 6	Corn Dog Corn Grapes Popcorn Munchies Mix	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Corn Grapes Popcorn Munchies Mix
Feb 7	Hoagie w/meat & cheese Carrot & celery w/dip Peaches Pudding Cup	Salad Box w/chicken Peaches Pudding Cup
Feb 8	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Apple Slices Snickers Doodle	Chef Salad Box Apple Slices Snickers Doodle
Feb 9	Creamed Turkey Mashed Potatoes Kiwi Hot Roll Brownie	Cottage Ch. & fruit Mashed Potatoes Hot Roll Brownie
Feb 10	Breaded Pork Patty w/bun French Fries Orange Smiles Choc. Choc. Chip Cookie	Salad Box w/turkey & che. Orange Smiles Choc. Choc. Chip Cookie
WEEK OF 2/13 THRU 2/17		
Feb 13	Sloppy Joe Green Beans Caramel Apple Pudding Cup	Cottage Ch. & Jelly Sand. Green Beans Caramel Apple Pudding Cup
Feb 14	Chicken Nuggets Potato Rounds Strawberries & bananas Tea Roll Valentine Cookie	Ham & Cheese Sand. Potato Rounds Strawberries & bananas Valentine Cookie
Feb 15	Spaghetti w/meat sauce Italian Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bread Stick Choc. Cake w/frosting	Crispy Chicken Salad Box Pineapple Garlic Bread Stick Choc. Cake w/frosting
Feb 16	Crispy Tacos Corn Pears Cinn. Twist	Cottage Ch. & Pineapple Corn Pears Cinn. Twist
Feb 17	California Burger French Fries Mixed Fruit Butterscotch Chip Cookie	Taco Salad Box Mixed Fruit Butterscotch Chip Cookie

***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.

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

CHANGE IN DATE - Kindergarten Round-up is MONDAY, February 27th at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. If you know of families who are interested in Christian education, please encourage them to attend Round-up.

GUIDANCE CORNER

- ☞ The Nebraska American Legion and the Nebraska State Patrol are sponsoring the Junior Law Cadet Program. This program gives students 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. Juniors are eligible to apply to this program. Deadline is March 1.
- ☞ Washburn University will be hosting Junior Journey for juniors and their parents. It will take place on Feb. 24. Register at www.washburn.edu/admissions by Feb. 17.
- ☞ The Kansas State Alumni Association will be hosting a Just For Juniors program in Omaha, Mon., March 6, at the Marriott. Registration begins at 6:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling the K-State Alumni Association office at 1-800-600-2586. Walk-in registrants are also welcome.
- ☞ The Omaha Legal Professionals Association is offering a \$750 scholarship & the NE Legal Professionals Association is offering both a \$1,000 & a \$500 scholarship to students interested in a career in legal secretarial, paralegal, court reporting, law enforcement, criminal justice or a law related field. Applicants must have a GPA of B or above & be involved in their school and/or comm. Deadline is March 31.
- **Calendar:**
- Feb. 23 - Methodist College Rep Visit
- Feb. 24 - SAT Registration Deadline for April 1 Test
- March 2 - Crown College Rep Visit
- March 7 - NE Wesleyan Rep Visit
- March 8 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for April 1 Test
- March 9 - ACT Registration Deadline for April 14 Test
- March 15 - Pensacola College Rep Visit
- March 23 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for April 14 Test

JR. CHEER CLINIC

The Junior Cheer Clinic begins this week.



Practice times are:

K-3rd grade: Feb. 7th & 9th (3:30-4:45) - Perform on Feb. 10th at halftime of the girls varsity game

4th-6th grade: Feb. 6th & 8th (3:45-5:00) - Perform on Feb 10th at halftime of the boys varsity game



RED WHEEL FUNDRAISER

OCA's annual Red Wheel Fundraiser has begun. Each family should have received a brochure by now. This year, prizes will be awarded to the top three sellers!

-1st Prize - \$80.00 Sharper Image gift certificate

-2nd Prize - \$40.00 QT gas card

-3rd Prize - \$30.00 Pathways Christian Bookstore gift card

Please remember that all completed forms and money will need to be in the office by Monday, February 27.

GYM CLEAN-UP

February 10 - Mead @ Grace - Juniors

February 11 - Fremont Bergan @ Grace - Sophomores



HEALTH UPDATE

The following two conditions are going around OCA.

Flu - If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. Also, the child must be fever free for 24 hours before returning to school.

Chicken Pox - At this time, 2 seventh graders have it.

Symptoms: Fever & skin rash that appears in crops. The rash begins on the chest, back, underarms, neck, and face. It starts out as red bumps, which turn into blisters within several hours, and then scab over after a few days.

Spread: By droplets, small particles of fluid that are expelled from the nose and mouth during sneezing and coughing, or by direct contact with the blisters.

Incubation: It usually takes 13 to 17 days after being exposed until symptoms develop. Look for symptoms in your child for a period of 3 weeks.

Contagious period: From 1 to 2 days before the rash develops until all the blister have dried into scabs (a minimum of 5 days).



K-8th YOUTH SPORTS SPRING SOCCER SIGN-UPS UPDATE!

Wow!! We had over 65 students register for Spring Soccer last Tuesday. There were enough players for 2 Kindergarten teams, and a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th/6th & 7th/8th grade teams! Plus, enough coaches have volunteered for all the teams! There are still openings on each of the teams if you missed registrations last Tuesday. There will be a late fee of \$10 charged for any registrations coming in after Feb 9th.



CONGRATULATIONS NEBRASKA STATE VISUAL ARTS COMPETITION WINNERS!

OCA student artwork has been selected for the Nebraska State Art Awards Exhibition. Their work was selected for exhibit from over 1400 entries across the state! **Chantelle Steggerda** received a gold medal for her portfolio. Only a handful of portfolios were awarded medals; she is one of only two that received a gold medal! **Rachel Maurer, Julianna Schulte, and Chantelle Steggerda** each received a silver medal for their artwork. **Andrew Bebee, Jennette Cosgrove, and Jenny Gowen** received bronze medals. From the Middle School level, **Michael Perry** received a silver medal and **Shannon Neal** was awarded a bronze medal. You can view the state art show and our students work at the Omaha Public Schools TAC Building, 3215 Cuming St., between the dates February 6-24th. The building is open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The exhibit will be held throughout the building, information may be picked up at the front desk.

Their achievement reflects their diligence in pleasing our Lord and Savior. Their success is an honor for them as well as for our whole school.

Mrs. Isaacson