


OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

NEWS & NOTES

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ISSUE 4

ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! During the before school meetings with the teachers, I reminded them of the Mission Statement of the school. Last week during chapel I reminded the students. I would like to take this space for the next couple of weeks to remind you of the guiding principle of Omaha Christian Academy. The Mission Statement is taken from Micah 6:8, which reads, "...And what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" Since this is what the Lord requires, perhaps this is what we ought to be about. How do we help our students to do justly? There are several character traits that are listed in the Mission Statement under this point. They are honesty, responsibility, respect, and discipline. Our teachers are aware that their expectations and how they act and react with the students foster these traits. The guidelines for conduct and attendance also are ways to equip students in these areas. It is also believed that to do justly, students need to take the learning that they have gained here and apply it in their lives. Learning becomes useless unless it is applied. It is certainly our hope that students take all that they will learn at OCA and then apply it so that they may be successful students, citizens, and workers. One of the radio stations I listen to on occasion is fond of pointing out that it is, "all about doing the right thing." I guess that would sum up the first part of our mission statement.

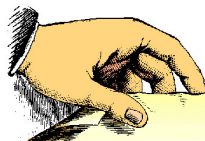
PRIZE STORE

Instead of calling it the prize store, perhaps it should be called the 'reward store'. This is where the students can turn-in their tickets received for items sold during the magazine sales drive for items available at the store. Last week there was a prize store chart attached to the News & Notes. If you lost that copy, there is one available on OCA's website. There are also "Prize Store" signs up in the hallways. The store will be open Friday, from 10:00-2:00 in the cafeteria.

MAGAZINE SALES

WEDNESDAY - LAST TURN IN DAY

For every sale turned in, the student will receive, one ticket for the prize store and a 'Candy Bar' coupon. The 'Candy Bar' coupon is good for a free candy bar at the Prize Store. Please have your child bring the orders with them to school to turn-in the first thing in the morning.



PARENT CONNECTION MEETING

There is a Parent Connection on Tuesday, Sept. 13th at 7:00 p.m. We still need many parents to represent the different grade levels. Please contact Pete or Cheri Mott at 431-9043.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - A Week

- Sep 12 - JV FB @ NE City Lourdes -4:00 PM
- Sep 13 - ASVAB Test - 11th grade - 8:00-11:00
 - Parent Connection Mtg - 7:00 PM
- Sep 14 - Magazine turn-in day
- Sep 15 - Moms in Touch Prayer Group- 8:30-9:30AM
 - VB @ BT - 6:30/7:30
- Sep 16 - FB @ Humbolt - 7:00 PM
- Sep 17 - VB @ Cedar Bluffs - TBA

NEXT WEEK - B Week

- Sep 19 - JV FB vs BT - 4:00 PM
 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Sep 20 - JH FB @ BT - 4:00 PM
 - Association Meeting - 7:00 PM
- Sep 22 - Moms in Touch Prayer Group - 8:30-9:30AM
 - School pictures - 8:00AM
 - VB @ Mead - 6:30/7:30 PM
- Sep 23 - FB vs NE City Lourdes - 4:00 PM

LOOKING AHEAD



- Oct 7 - Homecoming
- Oct 21 - NO SCHOOL
- Oct 28 - NO SCHOOL - Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Oct 31 - NO SCHOOL - ACSI Convention
- Nov 1 - NO SCHOOL - ACSI Convention
- Nov 11 - Elementary Harvest Parties

WEEK 9/12 THRU 9/16

Sept 12	Grilled Chicken Burger w/bun Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Pear Pudding Cup	Picnic Box Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Pear Pudding Cup
Sept 13	Nachos w/beef & cheese Corn Mini Banana Cinn. Bread Twist	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Mini Banana Cinn. Bread Twist Corn
Sept 14	Pizza Hut pizza Lettuce Salad Raisins Sugar Cookie	Taco Salad Box Raisins Sugar Cookie
Sept 15	Spaghetti w/meat sauce Broccoli w/ranch Cinn. Apples Ice Cream	Tomato stuffed w/cot ch Cinn. Apples Ice Cream Broccoli w/ranch dressing
Sept 16	Pancakes w/sausage links Potato Rounds OJ Cup Blueberry Breakfast Bun	Bologna & Cheese Sand. OJ Cup Blueberry Breakfast Bun Potato Rounds

WEEK OF 9/19 THRU 9/23

Sept 19	Chicken Drumsticks Fresh Veggies w/ranch Peaches School Fuel Breadstick	Cot Cheese & fruit Fresh Veggies w/ranch Peaches School Fuel Breadstick
Sept 20	Hot Turkey w/gravy Green Bean Casserole Grapes Tea Roll Choc. Cake w/frosting	Tomato Stuffed w/salmon Green Bean Casserole Grapes Tea Roll Choc. Cake w/frosting
Sept 21	BBQ Riblet Sand Lemon Wedge French Fries Orange Sherbet Cup	Chef Salad French Fries Orange Sherbet Cup
Sept 22	Chicken pot Pie Lettuce Salad Pears Choc. Choc. chip cookie	Salmon Salad on croissant Lettuce Salad Pears Choc. Choc. chip cookie
Sept 23	Smart Sub w/turkey & ch Baby carrots Mixed Fruit Jello Cake	Salad Box w/egg Mixed Fruit Jello Cake


*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.

SAFETY ISSUE

 Reminder: The drop off and pickup lanes are **ONE WAY ONLY** entering from L Street. **DO NOT TURN AROUND IN STALLS AND EXIT BACK TO L STREET!**

GUIDANCE CORNER

- UNL's Departments of Chemistry will be hosting their fifth annual UNL Chemistry Day on Sat., Sept. 24, from 9:00- 2:30 p.m. in Hamilton Hall, located in the middle of the Lincoln city campus. Seniors and Juniors interested in the Chemistry field are invited to participate. All participants will have the opportunity to register for prizes. Seniors can register to win \$500 scholarships. Additional information is available at their web site at www.chem.unl.edu/majors/.
 - South Dakota State University will be hosting their Senior Day program on Sat., Sept. 24. The program is designed for high school seniors and their parents to explore career opportunities and to learn more about SDSU. If interested sign up at <http://www3.sdstate.edu/Admissions/VisitingCampus>.
 - High school students would benefit from participating in the College Prep Day at UNO. Students can register to take a practice ACT or SAT Test for free. There will also be workshops for parents. It will be held on Sat., Sept. 24. Seating is limited. Register by calling 1-800-KAP-TEST or go to www.kaptest.com/enroll.
 - The Nebraska Air National Guard will be hosting their second annual Who, What, How Seminar on Wed., Oct. 19, from 8:00- 3:00 p.m. The program will be held at the 155th Air Refueling Wing in Lincoln. Participants will be given information on who they are, what they do, and how they do it. If interested, contact the guidance office for a registration form. Deadline for sign-up is Oct. 3.
 - UNK will be hosting their Loper Preview Days for Seniors on Mon., Sept. 26; Fri., Oct. 7; Mon., Nov. 14; and Mon., Dec. 5. Reservations can be made by calling the UNK Admissions Office at 1-800-KEARNEY or email Lee Ann Amm, Campus Visit Coordinator, at amml@unk.edu.
 - Iowa Western Community College will be hosting their Reiver Visit Days on Oct. 7, Nov. 11, Feb. 4, and March 31. They will also be holding an Engineering and Computer Science Day on Oct. 19. If interested contact the guidance office for more information.
- Calendar:**
- Sept. 13 - ASVAB Test
 - Sept. 13 - Midland Lutheran College Rep Visit
 - Sept. 14 - Late SAT Registration Deadline for Oct. 8 Test
 - Sept. 16 - ACT Registration Deadline for Oct. 22 Test
 - Sept. 19 - Creighton Univ. Rep Visit
 - Sept. 24 - College Prep Day at UNO
 - Sept. 28 - Trinity Christian College Rep Visit
 - Sept. 30 - Late ACT Registration Deadline for Oct. 22 Test
 - Sept. 30 - SAT Registration Deadline for Nov. 5 Test
- If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.**



LIBRARY NEEDS HELP

Does your child need a couple more magazine sales to obtain that next prize? We need at least 10 more magazine subscriptions purchased for the OCA library to maintain state accreditation. To avoid duplication, **you must stop by the office to pick up a form.** There are particular magazines that are needed.



ASSOCIATION MEETING

The annual Association Meeting is Tuesday, September 20, at 7:00 PM in the cafeteria. The primary purpose of this meeting is to present for Association approval the 05/06 working budget.

All OCA parents are welcome to attend the meeting. However, to have voting privileges, you must be a member of the Association. Note that Association membership is renewed July 1st of each year. Membership applications will be mailed this week and are available in the office.

ADOPT A TEACHER/STAFF MEMBER

Families are still needed to adopt a teachers or staff member. Interested persons should please contact Cheri or Pete Mott at 431-9043. Thanks very much.



MAGAZINE SALES UPDATE

We had a great first week with 848 sales!

Last year the first week we had 285 sales and the second week, 1853 sales. If we have anything close to the second week sales of last year, we will blow the top off the goal thermometer that is set at 2246 for total sales. We need about 1400 sales to meet our goal this year to raise approximately \$17,000 for OCA!

JOB OPENING!

The After-School-Care is looking for someone 19 years of age or older to work Mon.-Fri., 3:00-5:45 PM. Contact Tammi Colegrove for more information.

FAMILY DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS

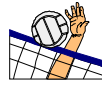
-Jeff Bebee - 932-3360.

-Margie Thierstein, 1006 S 188th Ct., Elk Horn, 68022



FREE ACT or SAT PRACTICE TEST

Kaplan and UNO's Dept. of New Student Enrollment Services will be hosting College Prep Day at UNO in the Milo Bail Student Center. It will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24. Students will be able to take either an ACT or SAT practice test under proctored conditions. This is an excellent opportunity for students to gain exposure to the tests and receive personalized test feedback. While students are testing parents are encouraged to attend several workshops, including Financial Aid and Scholarships, UNO College Admission, Personal Statement, and High School Achievement. Seating is limited!! To register call 1-800-KAP-TEST or visit www.kaptest.com.



LADY EAGLE VOLLEYBALL

With team goals established, a team verse selected, and three weeks of practice under their belt, the Lady Eagle volleyball team entered their first triangular with confidence. Their focus was on applying their team verse from Isaiah 40:29-31: "...But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles. They shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Senior Laura Johnson encouraged the team to allow the Holy Spirit to guide us in soaring throughout our season, giving God the glory for everything.

The Lady Eagles swept their triangular on Tuesday night. They defeated Omaha Nation 25-10 and 25-16; and defeated Boystown 25-14 and 25-15. The team exhibited incredible teamwork throughout the match, dominating each match with nearly flawless passing. Against Omaha Nation, Laura Henkenius was 5 aces short of beating the school record for aces in one match: 17. She served 12 aces in the first match and 6 in the second. Shayla Patterson served 5 aces against Boystown. Combined match stats are as follows: Michaela Schroeder led in kill attacks with 13; Tabitha Hamilton and Shayla Patterson each had 7. Leading the team in digs was Laura Johnson with 10. Bethany Begg and Michaela Schroeder each had 8.

On Thursday night, the C team played well in their scrimmage. The JV and Varsity teams geared up to play Parkview Christian. The JV took a quick lead 10-2 in the first game. They kept their lead and finished with a 25-16 victory. However, in the final two games they fell to the Lady Patriots 11-25 and 5-15. The Varsity team also had a great start to their match. They won the first game 25-19, but lost the next two games 11-25 and 12-25. Improving their serving and hitting, the Lady Eagles battled back to win the fourth game 25-13. Since both teams had two victories, a fifth game to 15 points was played, in which the Lady Eagles lost. The team has specific areas to improve on in practice before facing Parkview again in the October conference tournament...but they will definitely be ready! Laura Johnson broke the school record for digs in a match; she had 23! She also had 5 ace serves. Michaela Schroeder led the team in kills with 9, and Shayla Patterson was close behind with 7. Marissa Wells had 5 kill blocks for the Eagles.

Brownell-Talbot is a team the Lady Eagles will see in Sub-District play, so they are especially eager to face them this Thursday. Come cheer them on!

MAGAZINE SALES IDEAS

You say, you don't have relatives or neighbors nearby or you don't have time to read magazines?

-For your relatives that live out of town, you may put their name in the "Mag-Net" booklet, and a mini magazine booklet will be mailed to them to order from.

-You may also ask them to go online at www.qsp.com to order online. They need to specify 'Omaha Christian Academy' and the 40% profit of the sale will be credited to OCA.

-There are still magazines that are available for sale for OCA's Library! See the school office for magazines that are still needed. There are lots of CD's available! Most for only \$15 each! These are great for those that don't need magazines or for Christmas gifts! Speaking of gifts, order a magazine for your grandmother, nephew, etc.



AFTER GAME FUN

Need a place to hang out after the home football games? Join the players for pizza at Cici's in Miracle Hills (114th & Dodge) by Bag & Save. Mention OCA and 10% of your order will go back to the school.

CUB SCOUT CORNER

Remember, the first Den meeting and Parent Orientation is tonight, September 12th, from 6:30-7:30 PM at Fort Street Christian Church, 99th & Fort. We hope to see you there. Cub Scout Motto: Do Your Best!