


NEWS & NOTES

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

 Blessings! Have you ever wondered how many OCA families are actually using Sycamore education? A part of that web site allows the office to see how often our families use the site. In fact, it keeps track of the date and how long you were on the site for the past 100 times you visited. I was interested in seeing the percentages of families who used Sycamore Education. Mrs. Tulsie looked through the list of families and marked whether they had never been on the site, been on less than once a month, one time a month, twice a month, once a week, or greater than once a week. The greatest percentage in any column is the last one, 38% of our families visit Sycamore Education more than once a week. Sixty-five percent of our families visit the site twice a month or more. There are 21% of our families that have not visited the site yet. One quarter of those families only have children in kindergarten or pre-school. Of course, we would like all of the families to participate, but one of the greatest motivators to get on the site is the students' grades, and it is understood that kindergarten and pre-school parents would not have much to observe in the way of progress reports. May I remind them and others of you who are not visiting the site, there is a lot more information that you can obtain by being on the site. There is pertinent information regarding the school and each individual class in the room sites. I am grateful for those who use the site. I am hoping that Sycamore Education will become the one place where all of us can meet for information and communication purposes.



OCA QUIZ BOWL

The OCA Quiz Bowl Team competed in the Elkhorn High School Quiz Bowl Invitational on Saturday. Those competing on the two advanced teams were: Katie Arant, Ben Hawk, Laura Henkenius, Chris Rozema, Lauren Strasser, Matt Tulsie, Julia Warnke, and Pam Zimmerle. Congratulations to the novice team which took second place in a field of thirteen teams. Students on the novice team were Michelle Gingrich, Luke Henkenius, Nick Warnke, and Kathryn White. High scores for the day were: Luke Henkenius, Chris Rozema, and Julia Warnke. Way to go team!



PARKING AT OR ON THE CURB

I am very sorry for the inconvenience that this may cause, but parking along the curb in front of the school and leaving your car unattended is not allowed. Most of the day, the road in front of the school is two way, having a car parked along the curb makes it a tight fit if cars were going in both directions. This is also the entrance for emergency vehicles to get to the school and church and therefore if there were an emergency we would want the crews coming to have an uninhibited route into the building. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter by parking only where there are parking stalls marked.

Also, when picking students up along the curb after school, please do not run up onto the curb or sit with your car part way on the sidewalk. Again, thank you for your cooperation.

~Mr. Koehn



TRP ORDER DATE

November 27 is the last TRP turn in date before Christmas! Please have your orders and money turned in to the office by noon on that day. You should be using order form #36 (found in the left hand corner of the order form). This order form can be located in the Document section of Sycamore Education under Attachments, or you may pick one up in the school office. If you have any questions, please call Tammy Krumwiede in the school office.

CALENDAR



THIS WEEK - B Week

- Nov 13- Winter Sports Practice Begins
 - Parent Connection Mtg-Assem. Rm-7:00 PM
- Nov 14- MS Boys BB @ Mead - 6:30 PM
 - NFC Vocal Honors @ NE Lutheran - 7:00 PM
- Nov 16- Booster Club Mtg. - 8:00 AM
 - Kdg.-3rd grade to Omaha Sym. Orch.-9:45 AM
- Nov 18- MS Boys BB Tourney @ Mead

NEXT WEEK - A Week

- Nov 20- NFC One Act Play @ OCA - 3:00-6:00 PM
 - MS Boys BB vs Brownell - 6:00/7:00
 - Board Meeting - 6:30 PM
- Nov 23 & 24 - No School: Thanksgiving Break

LOOKING AHEAD

- Nov 29- District One Act Play
- Nov 30- JV/V BBB @ Collegeview - 6:15/8:00 PM
- Dec 1 - V G&BBB vs Bancroft Rosalie - 6:15/8:00 PM

WEEK OF 11/13 THRU 11/17

Nov 13	Hamburger Potato Rounds Cherries Ice Cream Cup	Cottage Cheese & Pears Potato Rounds Cherries Ice Cream Cup
Nov 14	Rotini & Meat Sauce Lettuce Salad Pineapple Garlic Bun Brownie	Salad Box w/ Egg Pineapple Garlic Bun Brownie
Nov 15	Hot Dog Baked Beans Tangerine Baked Chips	Cottage Cheese/Pineapple Baked Beans Tangerine Baked Chips
Nov 16	Roasted Turkey Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy Cranberry Sauce Pilgrim Apples Hot Roll Pumpkin Cake w/ Whipped Topping	NO COLD LUNCH
Nov 17	Nachos w/ Beef & Cheese Corn Kiwi Snicker Doodle Cookie	Turkey Sandwich Corn Kiwi Snicker Doodle Cookie

WEEK OF 11/20 THRU 11/24

Nov 20	Burrito w/ Cheese Sauce Mexi Tots Strawberries Vanilla Wafers	Bagel w/ Turkey & Cheese Mexi Tots Strawberries Vanilla Wafers
Nov 21	Chicken Noodle Soup Crackers Baby Carrots Mixed Fruit Toastio Bar	Taco Salad Box Baby Carrots Mixed Fruit Toastio Bar
Nov 22	Pizza Hut Pizza Broccoli w/ Ranch Applesauce Sugar Cookie	Crackers & Cheese Meat Stick Broccoli w/ Ranch Applesauce Sugar Cookie

Nov 23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Nov 24 NO SCHOOL

***Students may choose yogurt & cheesestick as a main dish alternative.**

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.40 (K-4); \$2.55 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.

GUIDANCE CORNER

The Assistance League of Omaha will be offering an ACT Review Course at Westside High School. The course consists of two classes, as well as an optional third class for the writing portion of the test. All classes must be attended to receive full coverage. The two classes will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 5 and Wednesday, Dec. 6 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. The optional third class will be held on Thursday, Dec. 7 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

Calendar:

- Nov. 15- Nebraska Christian College Rep Visit
- Nov. 16- Late ACT Reg. Deadline for Dec. 9 Test
- Nov 20 - Wayne State Rep Visit

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Rachel Maurer! She took first place in the Regional Nazarene Bible Quizzing amid 250 students.



YOUTH SPORTS REMINDER

Youth Sports K-6 Basketball sign-ups were last week. If you forgot, call Terri Zimmerle at 493-2950 or PAN her, or email her at tzimmerle@aol.com to see if there are any openings. A \$10 late fee will be charged on November 15th. All registrations need to be in Wednesday, November 15, as teams need to be formed and turned into the YMCA by Nov. 18. If you registered, check your email for team information. Registration forms are available on the internet at: www.omahachristianacademy.com, then click on the "Youth Sports" link on the left, and look for the Basketball and click it for a form.

OCA SCIENCE FAIR NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We continue to look for qualified judges to help judge our projects. If you know of anyone who might be able to help judge during the day please let Mrs. Dommel know.

We are also in need of finances to provide our winning young scientists with appropriate prizes. If you would like to give for this project, please mark "gifts for Middle School Science Fair". Thank you for your interest and help.

~Mrs. Dommel

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE BUT NOT A DROP TO DRINK

Parent Connection is once again soliciting money for the water fund for bottled water for the teacher's lounge. The teacher's lounge does not have running water. Bottles are \$6.00 a piece, and we use three a week. Please make donations in the office. If you have any questions call Kimber McLean, 682-0330.

CUBSCOUT CORNER

Mark your calendars for this important event:

The November Pack Celebration is this Thursday, November 16 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The NEW location is Emmanuel Fellowship, 8345 Crown Point Avenue (across from Northwest High School). Scouts, bring the projects you've been working on since September so we can all see what you've been doing. SEE YOU THERE!