


# OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

## NEWS & NOTES

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### ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS



Blessings! Many of you are familiar with the name of Don Richardson. He was the missionary who went to the head-hunting, cannibalistic tribe, learned their language and tried to teach them the good news of Jesus Christ. The problem was that the tribe identified with Judas because they honored treachery. Those of you who know the story remember that there was a custom of a peace child. When two tribes wanted peace, the leader of the one tribe would offer his youngest son to the other tribe. As long as that child lived, there would be peace between the two tribes. Yesterday, Dr. Richardson was the speaker at the church I attend. His message was that there are cultural markers within the different people groups which can be used to share the gospel. He spoke of 150 symbols in the Chinese language that point to Christ, such as the symbol for righteousness, which is the sign of a lamb over the sign for man. We are not sure why that is the symbol for righteousness, but a Christian can point out that it is only when a person places himself under the lamb of God can he truly find righteousness. Dr. Richardson has written several other books, other than "Peace Child", that study these cultural markers from many people groups. Sounds more interesting than the latest television fare, what do you think?

### MAGAZINE SALES LAUNCH THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Your child will attend an assembly about "Magazine Sales" on Thursday. They will bring home a packet of information. This will include: a magazine sales booklet, order forms, bookmarks, yellow receipts from last year's sales (if your child sold last year), store prize list, goal and turn-in information! **Please ask your child to show you this!** We will match the renewal prices on renewal slip with the order. If you need more order slips or magazine booklets to share at workplaces or leave at neighbors, they will be available outside of the office. **Take advantage of the long weekend coming up and get a good start!** The first turn in day is Wednesday, Sept. 6. We need to make a great effort this year. 40% of Sales of all magazine orders will help keep tuition down. **Please help make this year's Magazine Sale a success!**

### NEWS FROM THE CAFETERIA

We have finally done away with paper tickets and are utilizing Sycamore Education to track lunch and milk accounts. Each family has an account. Parents can deposit as much money as they want into the lunch account. This money will be used for all students in that family. You can still purchase lunches or milks in increments of however many a student wants. As the students order and pick up their lunches and/or milk the family account will be charged. Parents you can check on your lunch account anytime you would like to on the Sycamore Education website. We will send out notices when the account is getting low or has gone into the negative. Also children who order lunch will get a milk with their lunch, but sometimes they want more than one milk, so the account will be charged for the extra milk. For lunch orders that have extra entrees, especially Pizza Hut day, it would be much easier for the cafeteria if those extra entrees were prepaid on the account, and then the lunch with the extra will be charged to the account. Students who just order lunch on Pizza day can still pay as they come through the line.

### SCHEDULE CHANGE ON THURSDAY

Middle School and High School students will have a schedule change on Thursday, because there will be an assembly to kick-off Magazine Sales. Middle School students will go to 1st-7th hour classes and from 1:57-2:42 pm they will go to an assembly. High School students will go to 1st-8th hour classes and from 2:45-3:30 pm they will go to an assembly.

## CALENDAR

### THIS WEEK - A Week

Aug 31 - Magazine Sale Kick-Off  
Sep 1 - FB vs Johnson Brock - 4:00 PM

### NEXT WEEK - B Week

Sep 4 - No School  
Sep 5 - JV FB vs Mead - 4:00 PM  
- VB @ Boystown - 6:30 PM  
- VB @ Boystown - 7:30 PM  
Sep 7 - JV VB @ Parkview - 5:30 PM  
- VB @ Parkview - 6:45 PM  
Sep 8 - FB vs Omaha Nation - 4:00 PM

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sep 19 - ASVAB Test for Juniors  
- Association Meeting - 7:00 PM  
Sep 21 - School Pictures  
Sep 23 - Craft Fair



### WEEK OF 8/28 THRU 9/1

Aug 28	Corn Dog Green Beans Apple Brownie	Salami & Cheese Bagel Green Beans Apple Brownie
Aug 29	Nachos & Cheese Corn & Black Bean Sal. Pineapple Cinn. Crumb Cake	Oriental Salad Box Pineapple Cinn. Crumb Cake
Aug 30	Lasagna Steamed Zucchini Grapes Garlic Bun	Salami & Cheese Roll Up Steamed Zucchini Grapes Garlic Bun
Aug 31	Turkey Club Sandwich Potato Salad Atomic Blue Pears Choc. Chip Cookie	Salad Box w/ Egg Atomic Blue Pears Choc. Chip Cookie
Sept 1	Honey BBQ Wings Potato Wedges Kiwi Apple Pie	Turkey & Cheese Sand. Potato Wedges Kiwi Apple Pie

### WEEK OF 8/28 THRU 9/1

Sept 4	NO SCHOOL	
Sept 5	Deli Meat Baby Carrots Cherries Pudding Cup	Picnic Box Cherries Pudding Cup
Sept 6	Pizza Hut Pizza Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Sugar Cookie	Egg Salad Sandwich Lettuce Salad Mixed Fruit Sugar Cookie
Sept 7	Enchilada Casserole Veggies & Dip Applesauce Zebra Brownie	Smart Box Applesauce Zebra Brownie
Sept 8	Waffle & Ham Sticks Potato Rounds Cantaloupe Oatmeal Bar	Pepperoni & Cheese Sand. Potato Rounds Cantaloupe Oatmeal Bar

\*Students may choose yogurt & cheesestick 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.



### CICI'S PIZZA



Come help us celebrate with the football team after the home games on Friday nights!

**WHO:** Family, friends, students, anyone who likes Pizza

**WHEN:** Friday, September 1 after the game is over

**WHERE:** Cici's on 114th & Dodge

Cici's is again donating 10% of the sales back to OCA. Put your receipt in the designated box at Cici's. Any questions, call Julie Richards.

### GUIDANCE CORNER

☞ Immanuel Medical Center is looking for students to be a part of their Teen Volunteer Program. Their program offers teens a chance to learn new skills in a variety of areas such as the child development center, nursing services, gift shop, medical records, flower delivery, and many more. If interested call 572-2132.

☞ Seniors interested in attending Washington University in St. Louis may be eligible to apply for the Danforth Scholars Program. Deadline is October 15.

☞ The Assistance League of Omaha is offering an ACT Review Course. The course includes two, three-hour classes with an optional third class addressing ACT writing. The first class will be held on Monday, Oct. 23 or Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 6:30-8:30 pm. The fee for two classes is \$30. The fee for all three classes is \$40. Registration forms are available in the guidance office.

☞ Any junior or senior who is currently serving as a student body president, vice president, secretary or treasurer; class president, vice president, secretary or treasurer; or student council representative is eligible to apply to the Hearst Foundation Scholarship Program. It is a nationwide youth program that brings high school students to Washington D.C. for a brief on-site introduction to the functions of the federal government and, in particular, the United States Senate. Contact the guidance office for more information.

### Calendar:

Sept. 6 - UNL Rep Visit

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Sept. 12 - SAT Registration Deadline for Oct. 14 Test

Sept. 13 - Doane College Rep Visit

Sept. 19 - ASVAB Test for Juniors

Sept. 20 - Late SAT Reg. Deadline for Oct. 14 Test

Sept. 22 - ACT Registration Deadline for Oct. 28 Test

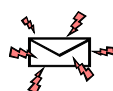
Sept. 29 - SAT Registration Deadline for Nov. 4 Test

Oct. 4 - PLAN Test for 10th grade

Oct. 6 - Late ACT Reg. Deadline for Nov. 4 Test

Oct. 18 - PSAT test for 11th grade

☞ If you have any questions regarding this information, see Mrs. Jenkins, Guidance Counselor.




### EMAIL LIST

If you would like to be on the OCA email list, please contact the school with your current email address. School closings, News & Notes and special bulletins are sent to you in a timely fashion for your convenience.

## GIRLS LOCKER ROOM

There is now a Girl's Locker Room on the second floor. We need help to build a dividing wall. Benches are also needed for the locker room. If you would like to help, please contact the office at 399-9565.

## NEW FAMILY

Please add Jason & Tammy Green to your family directory. Their address is 2115 N. 75th Street E,  Omaha, NE 68134. Phone # is (402) 938-9745.

## HELP NEEDED FOR MAGAZINE SALES

**Tabulators are needed** (would like 6 each day)

Hours needed are 8:30 am-12:30 pm and/or 12:30-3:00

Wednesday, Sept. 6

Monday, Sept. 11

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Friday, Sept. 15.

Attention to detail and working well with numbers are the qualifications.

**Prize store workers are needed** (3 each day)

Hours: 10:30-2:00 pm.

Friday, Sept. 8

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Friday, Sept. 15.

Patience and being able to relate to kids are the qualifications.

If you can help, please email Terri @ [tzimmerle@aol.com](mailto:tzimmerle@aol.com). This is the easiest way to communicate. If you don't have email, call and leave a message @ 493-2850. Thank you for any time that you can give.

## MOMS IN TOUCH



MOMS--Do you worry if your child will make a new friend, do well in school, get injured in sports? Don't worry about it, pray about it! Moms in Touch uses a SIMPLE method to pray for school, student, or teacher concerns in a confidential manner. This is a rewarding and easy way to meet other moms and cover your child in prayer.

We have a room to meet in at the school, and best of all, Kelly Wirges (an OCA mom) has agreed to provide the childcare for the hour that the moms pray. It will be in a room nearby. Let us know if you are interested, so we can set that day and time. There is also a MIT group meeting in Papillion on Thursday mornings. Call: Debbie Pedersen 331-5331.

## ATTENTION CRAFTERS!

There is still space available for crafters at our Craft Fair. The Craft Fair is Saturday, September 23. Please tell your friends and neighbors and about our Craft Fair.



## TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM -T.R.P.



**What is TRP?** It is gift certificates or gift cards purchased through OCA at a discount to you.

**How does it work?** The vendor discounts gift certificates to our school. The money saved in discounts will be applied to the families' tuition or other designated program at OCA. For example: JC Penney's offers a 5% discount on gift certificates. (A \$100.00 gift certificate cost OCA \$95.00) You buy the gift certificate from the school at face value (\$100.00) and \$4.50 (90% of 5%) will be applied to the designated account you have chosen, and OCA will keep \$.50 (10% of 5%) for shipping and handling. Saved amounts will be credited quarterly.

**Why are we doing this?** With tuition cost increasing, this is a great opportunity for families to reduce tuition by simply purchasing the gift certificates through OCA for the places of business you normally patronize.

## Where and when can I buy TRP certificates?

You may order using an order form found in the OCA office or on the school web site. Your orders along with your money (cash or a personal check made payable to OCA) are to be turned into the office by noon on the designated Mondays. The gift certificates will be ready for pick-up on Friday of the same week they were ordered.

If you have any questions about TRP, call Tammy Krumweide at the school office.

**The first TRP turn-in date is: September 11.**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Important information was given out at Parent Orientation regarding a new policy and a new procedure for Middle School and High School students. There is a new policy for Community Service Hours. Also, we have developed a new Ninth Hour Procedure concerning unfinished homework. Parents of Middle School and High School students, if you did not receive the handouts with this information, please stop by the office and pick them up.