

News & Notes

From the Director

November 7, 2008

I think everyone would agree that we live in uncertain times. It seems that world and national events swirl around us. It's difficult to bring meaning to much of what we face in our daily lives – and, especially, in the world in which we live. If the foundation of our lives is comprised of only the shifting sands of this world, we are indeed in a precarious position.

But, there is better news for those who know Jesus Christ as Savior. Is there a true vantage point from which we can tackle all this uncertainty? As Christians, we know that the answer is a resounding “YES!” The Bible can be accepted without question as the true vantage point on the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible's teachings are absolute and will never change. In the midst of all of life's uncertainty, we can be certain of some of life's most basic questions.

What is the purpose of life? The Bible teaches that God created mankind for His pleasure. The

Westminster Catechism says that “the chief end of man is to know God and to enjoy Him forever.” Our lives have purpose and meaning that is rooted in the very person of God. We could have no greater reason to be!

We have a value system that is founded upon the nature of God. The whole idea of a “value-neutral” life is nonsense. There is no value-neutral anything. Life itself is a value-laden activity! The only question is what value system our life is based upon. Christians can confidently base our values upon the everlasting teachings of the Bible.

Upon these solid foundations, the principles of living a life rooted in God can be built. We don't have to be tossed about by the vagaries of life. We can stand secure on our solid rock – Jesus Christ!

Tim Thompson
Director

Building Project Update

Would you like to know the continual progress on the OCA Building project?

Go to the blog at

www.OCABuildingProject.blogspot.com



“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”.

Isaiah 40:31

School Calendar	
Nov. 9	HS Band @ Temple Baptist Church- 6:00
Nov. 10	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
Nov. 10	HS Winter Sports Meeting - 7:00 pm Activity Room on 2nd floor
Nov. 14	Elementary Harvest Party for Kdg. thru 5th grade - 2:00 pm
Nov. 18	NFC Vocal Clinic @ College View - 2:00 NFC Vocal Concert @ College View - 7:00 pm
Nov. 18	MS BBB @ Mead - 6:00 pm
Nov. 19	Limo Lunch @ CiCi's 11:30 am Cosmic Bowling @ Western Bowl - 11:30
Nov. 20	One Act Play Performance - 7:00 pm for Parents & Friends
Nov. 21	Booster Club Meeting - 8:00 am
Nov. 22	MS BBB Tournament @ Mead - 9:00 am
Nov. 24	NFC One Act Play @ Prague - 3:00 pm
Nov 27-28	No School - Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 1	Christmas Buffet - Cafeteria - 5:00-7:00
Dec. 1	K-5th Grade Christmas Concert- 7:00
Dec. 3	District Play Production
Dec. 4	MS BBB @ Cedar Bluffs - 5:00/6:00 pm
Dec. 4	JV B/V G&B BB @ College View - TBA
Dec. 5	V G&B BB vs Bancroft-Rosalie - TBA
Dec. 9	V GBB vs Bergan - 5:30 pm
Dec. 12	JV B/V G&B BB @ Parkview - TBA
Dec. 13	MS BBB Tournament @ Scribner
Dec. 13	JV B/ V G&B BB @ Weeping Water
Dec. 15	6th-12th Grade Christmas Concert - 7:00
Dec. 15, 18 & 19	High School Final Exams
Dec. 16	Ensemble to Christ Community Church - 9:45 am
Dec. 16	JV B/V G&B BB @ Cedar Bluffs - TBA
Dec. 19	Elementary Christmas Parties - 2:00 pm
Dec. 19	JV/V B BB @ Freeman

Congratulations!

- Congratulations to sophomore student Holly Sly for being chosen to participate in the program Youth Leadership Omaha. Youth Leadership Omaha is a leadership development program that informs, motivates and increases the awareness of selected high school sophomores through issue-oriented seminars and interaction with community decision-makers. The program is sponsored by Creighton University. Sophomore students from across the metro area were invited to apply. There were 187 applicants, 76 of those received interviews, and only 40 were ultimately chosen to participate.

- Congratulations to Kyle Nupson for making All-State Band. Kyle plays the trumpet.



- Congratulations to Jacob Richards for be chosen as alternate for All-State Choir.



FOOTBALL 2008

Eagles football made their 6th playoff appearance in 9 years. The team was led by six seniors Justin Begg, Anthony Intorre, Michael Howell, Chris Kersey, Andrew Bebee and Kyle Nupson.

The defense leading tackles were seniors Anthony Intorre, Andrew Bebee, juniors Jacob Richards, Max Lewis, Ben Deaver, sophomore Joshua Bebee and freshman Titus Hamilton. The defense had two shutouts this season.

The offense was led by rushers Anthony Intorre, Max Lewis, and Titus Hamilton. Jared Cummings was the leading receiver. The offense scored over seventy points 3 times and averaged almost 39 points per game.

Thanks to our bus driver Richard Colegrove, team lunch organizer Julie Richards and all of the parents and fans for their support.

VARSIITY VOLLEYBALL 2008

The Varsity Volleyball team started the season with a three-win winning streak against St. Peter Claver, Omaha Nation and Boystown. Other highlights for the season included mid-season victories on the road at DC West and College View. The girls defeated DC West in four games after losing to them earlier in the season and went a full five games with College View coming back after dropping the first two sets to College View to win the fifth game 16-14.

The Lady Eagles ended the Varsity season Monday, Nov. 3 after two matches in Sub-district play. The Eagles began Sub-district play with a win over St. Peter Claver defeating the Trailblazers in three sets 25-14, 25-17, 25-6. Michelle Gingrich served 16 points, four of which were aces, against the Trailblazers. While offensive attack was led by Kathryn White with 9 kills and Stephanie Hamilton with 6 kills. Nikki Tulsie contributed 10 set assists for the match.

Then in the semi-finals the Eagles faced the Louisville Lions in three sets 13-25, 16-25, 7-25. In the first two sets of the match the Eagles were able to stay with the Lions for a while before the Lions took a permanent lead. Throughout the match the Eagles fought hard and did not give up. Meghan Vilter led the defensive effort at the net with 4 blocks for the match. The Eagles finished the season with a 7-17 record.

Team members included: seniors-- Co-captain Michelle Gingrich, Co-captain Stephanie Hamilton, Allison Rozema and Meghan Vilter; juniors-- Katy Schulz and Kathryn White; sophomores--Czarina Lim, Kelly Nupson and Nikki Tulsie; freshman-- Meredith Roberts, Heather Rozema and Rachel Sweeney; Manager Chelsea Smith.

Team stat leaders in kills were Stephanie Hamilton (79) and Kathryn White (57). Top Ace servers were Michelle Gingrich (30), Nikki Tulsie (29), and Stephanie Hamilton (27). Blocking leader was Meghan Vilter with 57 blocks, 23 were stuff blocks, followed by Stephanie Hamilton with 37 blocks, 11 which were stuffs. Overall passing leaders were Stephanie Hamilton (79%) and Nikki Tulsie (78%). Nikki Tulsie also contributed 102 sets assists.

JV VOLLEYBALL 2008

The OCA Junior Varsity Volleyball team worked to develop their ball handling skills and to gain understanding of the game. In the course of the season, the team progressed from the basic 4-2 offense to running the more difficult 6-2 offense. The girls learned to play skill specific positions such as outside hitter, middle hitter, setter, libero and back row specialist. The highlight of the season was their win over DC West 25-23, 22-25, 15-12.

JV team members included: Jessica Anderson, Kelcey Arndt, Ilene Bonacci, Elizabeth Lempeotis, Czarina Lim, Sarah Reinholz, Meredith Roberts, Heather Rozema, Katy Schulz and Rachel Sweeney.

Meredith Roberts led the team serving efforts with 30 aces followed by Rachel Sweeney and Jessica Anderson with 21 aces each. Sarah Reinholz led the team in kills with 16 followed by Meredith Roberts with 10. Katy Schulz contributed 18 set assists and Elizabeth Lempeotis 12. On defense this season, Libero Czarina Lim helped out our efforts with 142 good passes and middle hitter Sarah Reinholz defended at the net with 11 blocks.

VB PARTY

Saturday, Nov. 15
6:00 pm
Coach Johnson's
13906 S 105th St.
Papillion, NE
 (Directions to coach's house are available in the school office.)

See Stephanie Hamilton about for information on what to bring.

Questions? Call
Coach Johnson @
402-537-4475

Thank you!

Mrs. Johnson would like to thank all the parents who helped this volleyball season by bringing meals and driving players to games when needed. Your help was greatly appreciated.

WHAT WOULD MAKE A GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT?

OCA SPIRIT WEAR

Get your long or short sleeve t-shirts, polos, hoodies, gym bags or tote bags. You and your student can show school spirit by wearing Navy and Gold to all OCA functions! Spirit Wear orders are due in the office by **November 17** in order to receive your order by Christmas.

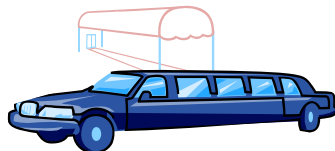
See attached Spirit Wear Form
Questions? Jan Schulz - 334-5298

ORDER YOUR SPIRIT WEAR TODAY!

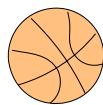
Room Parent Volunteers Needed

Room Parents are needed for grades 6 thru 12 to help coordinate fundraising for each grade. Funds are needed to complete the furnishings of each classroom. More information to follow. Please contact Margie Thierstein if you would like to volunteer.

Limo Lunch & Cosmic Bowling



Students who qualified for the Limo/Pizza Lunch and the Cosmic Bowling/Lunch from magazine sales will be given a permission slip next week. Both events will take place Wednesday, November 19 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Details will be on the permission slip. Thank you to those who went the extra mile to sell 14 items (or 24 as a family) to qualify for this!



BASKETBALL SPORT SIGN-UPS

K-6 Basketball Season runs from January to March
Cost: \$52.00 per player

Today is the last day to sign-up with NO Late Fee... postmark your registration for today, November 7.

Mail registration forms to:

Youth Sports
C/O Joyce West
6813 N 102nd Ave. Cir.
Omaha, NE 68122

- If you would like to have a neighbor, friend or relative on an OCA team with your child and they want to register during the "No Late Fees" time frame, that is okay!
- All OCA families will have first priority
- We will cash all checks on Saturday, November 15 or later.

Final Opportunity Sign-ups:

Saturday, November 8 to Friday, November 14
This is the final opportunity to register for basketball. Unfortunately if you waited until now there will be a late fee. This is the last chance to be put on an OCA team. Mail-In your registration form with check made payable to: "Youth Sports" **\$10.00 Late fee!**

NO MORE OCA Sign-ups:

Saturday, November 15 on

To register November 15-November 22: You can register at the YMCA at 76th and Maple to be put on a YMCA team. **You will not be put on an OCA team when you sign up through the YMCA.**

After November 22 the YMCA will charge a late fee of \$25.00.

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OCA SCRIPT PROGRAM

What is the OCA Script Program? It is gift certificates or gift cards purchased through OCA.

How does it work? The vender discounts gift certificates to our school. The money saved in discounts will be applied to OCA's General Fund. For example: JC Penney offers a 5% discount on the gift certificates. (A \$100.00 gift certificate costs OCA \$95.00). You will buy the gift certificate from school at face value (\$100) and OCA will receive \$5.00 toward the General Fund operating budget.

Where and when can I buy Script gift cards? You may order using an order form found in the OCA office, on the school web site or attached to *News & Notes*. Your orders along with your money (cash or a personal check made payable to OCA) are to be turned in to the school office by 12:00 pm (NOON) on **Friday, November 21**. The gift cards will be ready for pick up by Thursday or Friday the first week of December. There will be no script orders taken during the month of December!

Who can buy them? ANYONE (grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, neighbors, co-workers) may purchase gift cards.

We have made a great start in making use of the program, but I would like to see more of our families make use of this. If I can be of any assistance in answering questions, please call Tammy Krumwiede at school, 399-9565.

School Lunch Menu

	Entree	Sides/Dessert
Nov. 10	HOT— Turkey and Gravy COLD— Caribbean Chicken Wrap	Mashed Potatoes Orange Smiles Dinner Roll School Fuel
Nov. 11	HOT— Hot Dog on a Bun COLD—Salad Box with Hard Boiled Egg	Potato Stars Apple Wedges Star Spangled Flag Cake
Nov. 12	HOT— Pizza Hut Pizza COLD—Egg Salad on Whole Wheat	Lettuce Salad Peaches Chocolate Chip Cookie
Nov. 13	HOT— Home-made French Toast & Sausage Links COLD— Sunbutter & Jelly on Whole Wheat	Banana Chocolate Chip Muffin Squares
Nov. 14	HOT— Spaghetti with Meat Sauce COLD—Fajita Chicken Salad Box	Italian Vegetables Grapes Spice Cake

Students may choose yogurt & cheese stick as a main dish alternative.

Milk will be served with all meals.

Cost: \$2.60(Pre-K-5); \$2.75 (5-12); \$1.00 Extra Entrees

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Cub Scout Corner

Den Meetings

Week of November 10

Week of November 24

Pack Meeting

November 20

**OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 2007-2008
SPIRIT WEAR ORDER FORMS**

Please Circle Size	Quantity	Price
WHITE POLO SHIRTS – NAVY LOGO Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL - \$35.00	_____	_____
GRAY T-SHIRTS – SHORT SLEEVE Youth Sizes: \$10.00 Small, Medium, Large	_____	_____
Adult Sizes: \$15.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL	_____	_____
GRAY T-SHIRTS – LONG SLEEVE Youth Sizes: \$12.00 Small, Medium, Large	_____	_____
Adult Sizes: \$18.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL	_____	_____
GRAY HOODIES Youth Sizes: \$23.00 Small, Medium, Large	_____	_____
Adult Sizes: \$25.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL	_____	_____
NAVY ZIP FRONT HOODIE- \$30.00 Adult Sizes: S, M, L, XL	_____	_____
NAVY WOMEN’S POLO - \$26.00 Women’s Sizes: S, M, L, XL	_____	_____
GYM BAGS Small - \$20.00	_____	_____
Large - \$25.00	_____	_____
Monogram Name - \$5.00	_____	_____
Name to Monogram _____		
DRAWSTRING BAGS - \$15.00	_____	_____
KNIT SKULL CAPS - \$10.00	_____	_____
BALL CAPS - \$15.00	_____	_____
Sizes 2X and Up Add \$1.50		
TOTAL ORDER	_____	\$ _____
Make Checks Payable to: Omaha Christian Academy		

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____

OMAHA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY 2008-2009 SPIRIT WEAR ORDER FORMS

Please Circle Size	Quantity	Price
NAVY POLO SHIRTS – OCA EAGLE LOGO-\$35.00 Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL Women's: S, M, L, XL	_____	_____
NAVY FONT T-SHIRTS – SHORT SLEEVE Youth Sizes: \$10.00 Small, Medium, Large Adult Sizes: \$15.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL Women's Sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL	_____	_____
NAVY FONT T-SHIRTS – LONG SLEEVE Youth Sizes: \$12.00 Small, Medium, Large Adult Sizes: \$18.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL	_____	_____
NAVY HOODIES – NEW OCA EAGLE LOGO Youth Sizes: \$24.00 Small, Medium, Large Adult Sizes: \$28.00 S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL	_____	_____
NAVY ZIP FRONT HOODIE- \$30.00 Adult Sizes: S, M, L, XL	_____	_____
GYM BAGS Medium Size - \$23.00 Monogram Name - \$5.00 Name to Monogram _____	_____	_____
TOTE BAGS - \$20.00	_____	_____
Sizes 2X and Up Add \$1.50 Make Checks Payable to: Omaha Christian Academy	_____	\$ _____
TOTAL ORDER		

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____

O.C.A. SCRIPT PROGRAM ORDER FORM

NAME: _____ STUDENT'S NAME: _____

PICKUP or SEND WITH STUDENT TEACHER & GRADE: _____

PHONE #: _____ DATE: _____

Thank you for supporting OCA through the Script program. All proceeds from the Script program go to the General Fund. Fill in how many of each denomination and then the total dollar amount beside each retailer. OCA will receive about 5% from orders.

RESTAURANTS

\$ _____	Applebee's	_____25
\$ _____	Arby's	_____10
\$ _____	Baskin Robbins	_____2
\$ _____	Bennigans	_____25
\$ _____	Boston Markets	_____10
\$ _____	Burger King	_____10
\$ _____	Carlos O'Kelley	_____10
\$ _____	Cheesecake Factory	_____25
\$ _____	Chilis/Macaroni Grill	_____25
\$ _____	Chipotle	_____10
\$ _____	Cold Stone Creamery	_____10
\$ _____	Cracker Barrel	_____10
\$ _____	Domino's Pizza	_____5
\$ _____	Fazoli's	_____25
\$ _____	Golden Corral	_____25
\$ _____	Harry & David	_____25
\$ _____	Hickory Farms	_____10
\$ _____	KFC	_____5
\$ _____	Mimis Café	_____25
\$ _____	Noodles & Company	_____10
\$ _____	Old Country Buffet	_____25
\$ _____	Omaha Steaks	_____25
\$ _____	Original Cookie Company	_____5
\$ _____	Outback Steakhouse	_____25
\$ _____	Panera Bread	_____10
\$ _____	Papa John's	_____10
\$ _____	P. F. Chang's	_____25
\$ _____	Pizza Hut	_____10
\$ _____	Qdoba .	_____25
\$ _____	Red Lobster/Olive Garden	_____25
\$ _____	Rocky Mountain Choc. Factory	_____10
\$ _____	Ruby Tuesday's	_____25
\$ _____	See's Candies	_____14.10
\$ _____	Subway	_____10 _____50
\$ _____	T.G.I. Friday's	_____25
\$ _____	Wendy's	_____10

TRAVEL

\$ _____	Best Western Hotel	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Comfort Inn	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Hyatt Hotels	_____25
\$ _____	Marriott/Courtyard	_____50 _____100
	Fairfield/Residence	
\$ _____	Ritz-Carlton Hotels	_____50
\$ _____	BP Gas cash cards	_____50

SPECIALTY & DEPT. STORES

\$ _____	Ace Hardware	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	American Eagle Outfitters	_____25
\$ _____	AT&T 100+min. Phone Card	_____9.50
\$ _____	Barnes & Noble/B.Dalton	_____10
\$ _____	Bass Pro Shops	_____25
\$ _____	Bath & Body Works	_____10 _____25
\$ _____	Best Buy	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Blockbuster Video	_____10
\$ _____	Borders/Waldenbooks	_____10
\$ _____	Casual Corner/Petite Soph.	_____25
\$ _____	Cabela's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Claire's/ Icing/Afterthoughts	_____10
\$ _____	Dick's Sporting Goods	_____25
\$ _____	Dillard's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Eddie Bauer	_____25
\$ _____	Express / Structure	_____25
\$ _____	Finish Line	_____25
\$ _____	Footlocker/Lady/Kids FL	_____10
\$ _____	Gap Tri-card	_____25
	(Banana Rep. / Gap / Old Navy)	
\$ _____	Gordmans	_____25
\$ _____	Gymboree	_____25
\$ _____	Home Depot	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Honey Baked Ham	_____10
\$ _____	JCPenney	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Jewel/Osco	_____10 _____25
\$ _____	KB Toys	_____20
\$ _____	Kmart/Penske Auto Centers	_____25 _____50
\$ _____	Kohl's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Land's End	_____25
\$ _____	Limited	_____25
\$ _____	Linens-N-Things	_____25
\$ _____	Lowe's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Menard's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Office Max	_____25
\$ _____	Osco/Jewel	_____10
\$ _____	Payless Shoesource	_____20
\$ _____	Pier One Imports	_____25
\$ _____	Sears	_____25 _____100 _____250
\$ _____	Shopko	_____25
\$ _____	Staples Gift Card	_____25
\$ _____	T.J. Maxx/Marshall's	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Toys R Us/Kids/Babies	_____20
\$ _____	William Sonoma/Pottery Barn	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Younkers	_____25 _____100
\$ _____	Walgreens	_____20 _____100

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No. of items: _____
Order total: _____



OCA/YMCA Youth Sports

K-6 Winter Basketball Registration



Season: January 2009 – February 2009

Sign-up Early & Avoid Late Fees!

Teams are formed on a first come, first serve basis. **COST: \$52.00** per player (payable to: "Youth Sports")

REGISTRATION: Sign Up Date - Monday, October 27th; 3:15 – 4:00pm (1st level Atrium at LCC)

If you miss the Sign-Up Date: registrations will be accepted Oct 27th – Nov 7th - with no late fee – by mail only;

All envelopes must be postmarked by Oct 31st, with checks included made payable to: "Youth Sports":

Mail to: Youth Sports, c/o Joyce West, 6813 N. 102nd Ave. Cir. Omaha, NE 68122

Nov. 1st – Nov. 7th OCA friends, relatives of OCA families, and Homeschoolers - with no late fee.

Last chance to be on an OCA team: Nov. 8th – Nov. 14th Registrations will be accepted – with \$10.00 late fee.

NO REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER POSTMARKED DATE OF NOVEMBER 14TH.

If OCA does not have a team with a full roster, your child will be put on a Y team, unless otherwise noted on registration.

PRACTICES: Will be at various Public schools around town. Once a practice site is agreed upon, it will be the same site throughout the season. The YMCA is working with us, in a temporary situation without a gym. *Practices* may start sometime in Late December, depending on gym availability. Before the season starts the Y allows 2 practices a week, after the season starts, only one practice. At this time we do not know where the games will be played or when. Public schools throughout the city are used.

MISC INFO: Boys K-6th grade teams will play on Saturdays. Girls 1st – 6th grade teams will play on Sundays. Girls can play on girl teams starting in 1st grade if there is enough interest.

Basketball teams are formed by Grade Level of the child – not age level.

Youth Sports will provide balls for practices. The YMCA will provide *game balls*. **Kindergarten:** mini ball, 7' basket; **1st & 2nd:** junior ball, 8' basket; **3rd & 4th:** Women's ball, 9' basket; **5th & 6th:** women's ball, 10' basket. Everyone will play at least 1/2 of every game, there will be an emphasis of participation, teamwork & fair play. Your child will come away with learning something of the sport, playing as a team & hopefully find it a very enjoyable experience. At the YMCA & the OCA/YMCA Youth Sports programs winning is not emphasized at the recreational level. There are other leagues that provide a competitive atmosphere for the competitive player. You must provide own medical insurance & personal equipment as needed.

COACHES: There must be a volunteer coach for every OCA team! Sports specific knowledge is helpful to be a coach, but not mandatory: enjoying children & wanting to teach & be a positive role model is the most important qualifications. The coach must be able to hold practices once a week. If there is not a coach, the team will be turned over to the Y, and the Y will put the kids on a Y team.

NEW SHIRTS: All Basketball players must have a number on their shirt. If you have a navy and gold shirt with a number on it, you're all set. If not, you will need to purchase an OCA shirt for **\$8.00**. This shirt will be worn for all Youth Sports events. Shirts are available for adults and coaches to purchase too.

Sizes: SM 6-8, MED 10-12, LG 14-16 and Adult Sizes: SM, MED, LG, XLG

Registrations may be made by parent, child, carpool person, friend, or anyone that can stand in line and hand in a completed, signed registration form with the registration fee.

No one may sign up more than 2 kids that are not their own. It is on a first come, first serve basis.

Meaning, if a team already has 10 players (the max) and your child is #11, they will be placed on a YMCA team, unless a second OCA team can be formed. All efforts will be made to have all the kids that sign up be put on an OCA team at their grade level. Your child may be moved up a grade to formulate team, unless noted on different on registration form. Team formations are very dependent upon the interest at sign up time. Please sign up on time. If a team is short, registrations will be open to friends, neighbors, and home schoolers. OCA families will always have priority. [Help form OCA teams – Sign-Up Early!](#)

OCA Youth Sports Winter Basketball Registration Form \$52.00

Child's Name (one per form please) **Birth date** **SEX** **GRADE** **Move Up a Grade?** **Need a Shirt \$8.00?**
_____ ___/___/___ B G _____ Yes, if needed, or No size: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____ HM #: _____ Cell #: _____

Total \$ _____ Made Payable to: "Youth Sports" is attached. **Email Address:** _____

Would you like to volunteer as a Coach or as an Asst. Coach? _____

I have read and understand the above and give my permission for my child to participate:

Date: _____ Parent Signature: _____ Parent's Names(s): _____

If an OCA team can not be formed would you like to be registered on a YMCA team? YES or NO (circle one)

Any Questions do not call the school! Call Joyce West, Youth Sports Committee Co-coordinator at 659-0492 or email: joycewest@workware.com. Watch "News & Notes" for updates!



Interested in 4-H?

Area youth program is thriving as it adapts to meet the needs of today's kids.

The UNL Extension in Douglas/Sarpy 4-H program is open to any youth ages 5-18, and has something for everyone! The 4-H experience goes far deeper than what is seen on the surface, teaching skills that last a lifetime. Youth learn critical thinking skills, problem solving, and respect through projects. Projects also place an emphasis on making healthy lifestyle choices with and hands-on activities that assist with career preparation.

Traditionally, 4-H has a reputation, cattle, sheep, and farm kids, but in it's over 100 year existence, the program has transformed to encompass so much more! In the Douglas/Sarpy 4-H program, over 1,000 youth enjoy activities ranging from scavenger hunts with GPS Locators, to money management activities to shooting off rockets, while traditional projects such as cooking, sewing, and livestock remain favorites.

The fall is a great time to start a 4-H club! It is not hard, only requiring a few dedicated parents with some enthusiasm. Clubs can be as small as two kids, and as large as the leader wants. 4-H meetings can be held once a month, once a week, or whatever best fits the needs of the club and they can take place in a home, libraries, or schools. Manuals and activities are set up in these manuals, or leaders can pursue other activities. There are also experienced leaders available to serve as mentors. The diversity and flexibility associated with 4-H clubs creates the opportunity for parents to take their interest and skills and pass them on to their kids.

To learn more about starting your own 4-H club, visit us on-line at douglas-sarpy.unl.edu or call the UNL Douglas/Sarpy Extension Office at 444-7804. Staff are on-hand Monday through Friday from 8-4:30 to talk with parents about the exciting direction that 4-H is taking in the Omaha-metro area.

