

Oak Canyon Junior High Student Handbook



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Alpine School District 2021-2022 Calendar

● First & Last day of school
 ■ Non School day
 Non School day/Teachers PD day
 ■ End of Term
 ▲ Minimal day

August 2021					September 2021					October 2021					November 2021					December 2021						
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Aug 12--PD Day

Aug 13 & 16--Contract Days

Aug 16--7/10 Grade Day (optional)

Aug 17--School Begins

Sep 6--Labor Day

Oct 13--1st Term Ends

--Minimal Day

Oct 14--15--Fall Break

Oct 18--Teacher Prof. Development

Nov 12--1st Trimester Ends

Nov 24--Teacher Comp Day

Nov 25-26--Thanksgiving Break

Dec 17--2nd Term Ends

--Minimal Day

Dec 20-31--Christmas Break

January 2022					February 2022					March 2022					April 2022					May 2022						
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Jan 3--School Resumes

Jan 17--Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Feb 21--Washington/Lincoln Day

Feb 25--2nd Trimester Ends

Mar 8--HS ACT Test

Mar 11--3rd Term Ends

--Minimal Day

Mar 14--Teacher Prof. Development

Apr 4--Teacher Comp. Day

Apr 5-8--Spring Break

May 26--Last Day of School

--4th Term Ends

--3rd Trimester Ends

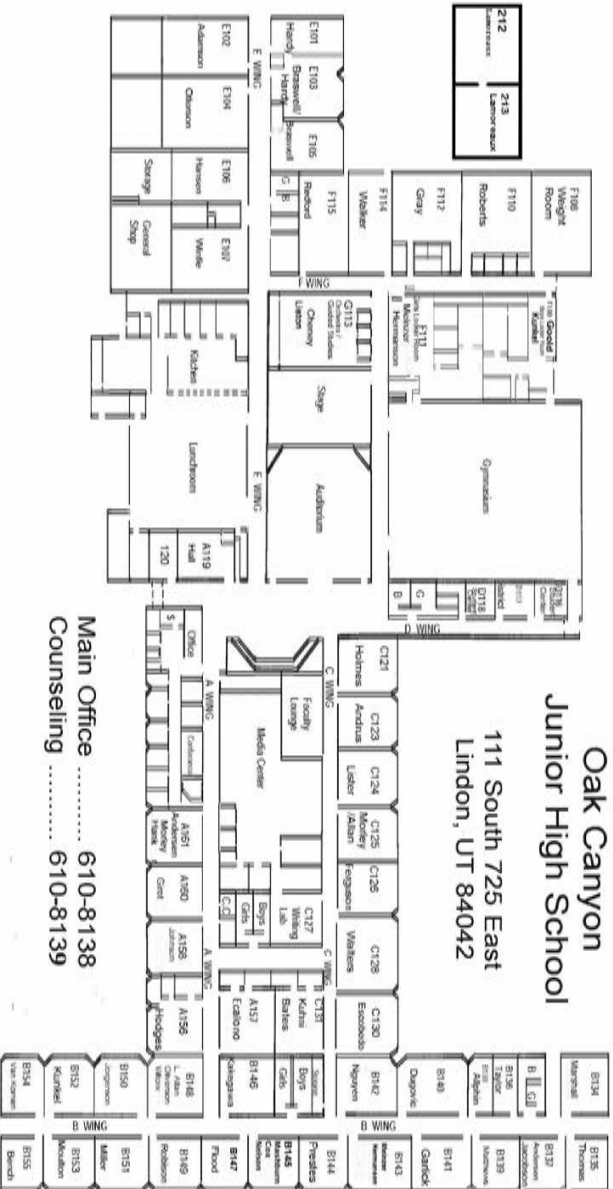
--Minimal Day

May 30--Memorial Day



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Main Office 610-8138
Counseling 610-8139



HOME OF THE EAGLES

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday Schedule

A1/B5	7:45-9:10 am
A2/B6	9:15-10:40 (includes announcements)
1st Lunch	
Lunch time	10:40-11:15
A3/B7 Class Time	11:20-12:45
2nd Lunch	
A3/B7 Class Time	10:45-12:10
Lunch Time	12:10-12:45
A4/B8	12:50-2:15

Wednesday Schedule

A1/B5	7:45-8:55 (Includes RAD Time) Respectful, Caring, Active Learners
A2/B6	9:00-9:55
A3/B7	10:00-10:55
A4/B8	11:00-11:55
Lunch	11:55-12:15

**A-Day
Teacher Lunch Schedule**

First Lunch		Second Lunch	
Adamson	Otterson	L. Allan	Kunkel
M.Allan	Prestes	Bench	Lamoreaux
Andrus	Redford	Dugovic	Meinzer
Bates	Robison	Ecalono	Moulton
Braswell Ferguson	Thomas	Escobedo	Roberts
Girof Hall	Walker	Garlick Goold	Seminary
Holmes Lister	Walters	Gray	VanKomen
Johnson	Wintle	Hermansen	
Marshall		Hodges	
Matthews		Jacobson	
Miller		Jorgensen	
		Kakawaga	

**B-Day
Teacher Lunch Schedule**

First Lunch		Second Lunch	
Adamson	Morley	Bench	Lamoreaux
Andrus	Nguyen	Cox	Meinzer
Braswell	Otterson	Ecalono Chery	Moulton
Flood Girof Hall	Prestes	Escobedo	Oliverson
Hansen Hardy	Redford	Garlick Goold	Roberts
Holmes Lister	Robison	Gray	Seminary
Johnson	Thomas	Hermansen	Taylor
Marshall	Walker	Hodges	VanKomen
Matthews	Walters	Jorgensen	
Miller	Wintle	Kakawaga	
Mashburn		Khuni	
		Kunkel	



Brady Shaw, Asst. Principal Diane Wanamaker, Principal Theron Murphy, Asst. Principal

Welcome from the 2021-22 Administrative Team

Hello Students!

Welcome to the 2021-22 school year! Whether you are returning to Oak Canyon, a 7th grader, or a brand new student coming to OC for the first time, we are glad you have joined us. We truly care about each one of you.

Last year, COVID-19 totally changed the way we did school. We are looking forward to keeping the positive things we have learned during the pandemic, but also getting back to a more normal situation. We will follow the guidance given by the state and district, and be ready to adapt as things change, but whatever the next nine months bring, we will provide a safe and healthy learning environment for all of us.

This year you will have more opportunities to explore interests and connect with each other through activities than ever before! And we will be recognizing the Class of the Quarter (7th, 8th, or 9th grade) with some very cool surprises at the end of each quarter. You'll hear all about it at the Welcome Assembly.

All of us here at Oak Canyon care about quality. We are committed to nurturing and protecting our outstanding school culture, and involving you in challenging and effective learning experiences.. We promise to give you our best every day, and know that you will do the same.

Proud to be Eagles!!

Ms. Wanamaker, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Shaw

Welcome from the Oak Canyon Student Leadership Coalition

Oak Canyon has a coalition of nearly 100 student leaders, in three different groups. Student Council plans and executes activities to help students get to know each other, build unity and create school spirit. Hope Squad is focused on student mental health and well-being, and the Promotions Team produces a yearbook, videos, and other communication pieces to promote the vision and values of Oak Canyon. Together these groups are a powerful influence in creating and nurturing our positive school culture.



Dear Eagles,

Welcome, or welcome back, OCJH students! I hope you all had a great summer and are excited to start the 2021-2022 school year here at OCJH. Try to get out of your comfort zone, and find ways to have fun during the various activities we'll have this school year. Make some new friends! You never know when you might meet a friend for life. My advice to you is to do your best in everything here at school.

Jaeger Gardner, Student Body President

Oak Canyon Junior High School

Mission, Vision, and Values

Mission: (our fundamental purpose)

“Together, We Learn For Life”

Vision: (the school we are striving to become)



**Our vision is to become a school
where every student...**

- Enjoys school and is proud to be an Eagle
- Feels accepted and valued; values and accepts others
- Forms positive connections with peers and adults
- Becomes a confident, resilient, risk-taking learner
- Cares about quality and is appropriately challenged
- Explores personal interests and develops creativity
- Maximizes individual skills in math, reading, writing, listening, and speaking
- Thinks critically and solves problems collaboratively

Values: (the attitudes and behaviors needed to reach our vision)

“Eagles are *respectful, caring, active learners.*”



EAGLES ARE
RESPECTFUL

RESPECT OURSELVES
WE USE POSITIVE SELF-TALK
WE FORGIVE OURSELVES AND MOVE FORWARD
WE WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING,
AND USE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGE

RESPECT OTHERS
WE ALLOW OTHERS THEIR PERSONAL SPACE
WE RESPECT PERSONAL PROPERTY
WE PAY FULL ATTENTION WHEN OTHERS
ARE TALKING OR PERFORMING
WE SEEK HELP FROM AN ADULT WHEN WE'RE
UNABLE TO SOLVE A CONFLICT RESPECTFULLY

RESPECT OUR SCHOOL
WE KEEP OUR SCHOOL CLEAN
WE PROTECT AND RESPECT SCHOOL PROPERTY
WE SHOW SCHOOL PRIDE AND GET INVOLVED

EAGLES ARE
CARING

WE SEEK TO **INCLUDE**
AND **SERVE** OTHERS

WE **LOOK FOR THE GOOD**
IN OURSELVES AND OTHERS

WE **COMMUNICATE** WITH OTHERS,
RATHER THAN ABOUT THEM

WE HAVE **FUN**, BUT NEVER AT
SOMEONE ELSE'S EXPENSE

WE **CELEBRATE** EVERYONE'S
DIFFERENCES AND **SUCCESSES**

EAGLES ARE
ACTIVE LEARNERS

WE ARE **IN CLASS, ON TIME,**
AND **READY TO LEARN**

WE **STAY ORGANIZED**
WITH OUR MATERIALS AND TIME

WE **ASK QUESTIONS** AND
ADD TO THE **DISCUSSION**

WE **SOLVE PROBLEMS**, INSTEAD OF
COMPLAINING ABOUT THEM (95/5)

WE **WORK AND LEARN** WITH **INTEGRITY**

WE **CARE ABOUT QUALITY,**
AND GIVE OUR **BEST EFFORT**

OAK CANYON CODE OF CONDUCT

Each one of us has an influence on the culture of our school, and affects the academic and social environment. This code of conduct outlines policies, procedures, and expectations in certain key areas. ***THIS IS HOW WE FLY at OAK CANYON!***

If individual student behavior is not aligned with this code of conduct and our school values, Oak Canyon teacher, this [plan](#) describes our school response.

ATTENDANCE and TARDINESS

Attendance Policy

The relationship between regular school attendance and effective learning is extremely clear. **Students should be in attendance and participate every possible day of the school year in order to receive maximum benefit from their educational opportunities.** Alpine School District policy allows teachers to exercise reasonable discretion in determining the relationship between attendance, class participation, and grades.

Excused Absences

In the event a student is unable to attend school, a parent/guardian must notify the school requesting the absence be excused. This may be done directly by the parent on Skyward (directions on website), with a note, email, or by calling the Attendance Office at 801-610-8138 within five days of the absence. After five days, excused absences will need approval through the administration.

Checking-In

Students arriving late to school need to check in at the main office. Those with a parent excuse note will be marked with an excused tardy and given a class admit slip. Students arriving late without an excuse note will be marked with a regular tardy and be given a class admit slip.

Checking-Out

If a student needs to leave campus for any reason during the school day, a parent or guardian must come to the front office to check out their student. Identification is required. Student check-outs **will not** be taken over the phone for safety reasons. **(During the COVID pandemic our protocol has been altered to allow a parent to come to the school and call in from their car to have their student checked out. Identification will be verified by phone number.)** Students may be checked out by individuals listed as an emergency contact in Skyward only if we have approval from a parent/guardian.

Excessive Absences

Excessive absences significantly and negatively affect a student's academic success. Students with more than 20 unexcused class periods will be contacted by a student advocate and/or school administrator for appropriate problem solving and administrative action. Actions may include letters sent home explaining state compulsory education law, parent and student conference, student contract, truancy

school, mediation, truancy court, and other efforts.

Tardiness

As a matter of respect to teachers and classmates, and to maximize their own learning, students are expected to be on time to class, prepared and ready to work when the tardy bell rings. "Eagles are in class, on time, ready to learn." There is a 5-minute passing period between classes, with a warning signal given at 2 minutes. Standing in the halls is not permitted after the warning signal is given; students not already in their classrooms at that time are expected to be walking to their classes.

Any student not in the classroom when the bell rings is considered tardy and must report to the main office to record the tardy and receive a class admit slip. Students with excessive tardies (more than 3 per term) will be contacted by a student advocate and appropriate problem solving will occur. This problem solving may include think tank referral, student contract, parent conference, lunch detention, service hours, or other solutions to resolve the issue.

Truancy

Students who are truant (absent from one or more classes without parent permission or check-out) will receive appropriate administrative disciplinary action possibly including think tank referral, parent conference, lunch detention, service hours, truancy school, and truancy court.

Closed Campus

For safety and security reasons, Oak Canyon is a closed campus. Students are to remain on campus during the entire school day unless properly checked out by a legal guardian or person appointed by the guardian that is listed on the student information form.

DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Personal Phones and Devices

Electronic communication devices (including cell phones and cameras) may not be possessed, activated or utilized in school situations where a reasonable expectation of personal privacy exists. These locations include but are not limited to locker rooms, shower rooms, restrooms and any other areas where students or others may change clothes or be in any stage or degree of disrobing.

Electronic communication devices may not be used by any student in a manner that might reasonably create in the mind of another person an impression of being threatened, humiliated, harassed, embarrassed or intimidated.

Except as described above, students may use cell phones and headphones before and after school, during passing time, and at lunch.

In order to provide an optimized learning environment, all cell phones and

headphones must be put away in a backpack or locker during the times when classes are in session. Cell phones and headphones will not be permitted to be on a student's person during class time. Some teachers may elect to have special cell phone/headphone and/or backpack storage places in their classes. Teachers may direct students to use their personal devices for specific academic purposes in class. Phones will be put away again immediately following the teacher-directed activity.

Personal devices must be put away during class time, even if the student is not in a classroom. Students who are using or carrying a cell phone (and/or headphones) anywhere in the building during class time will be considered in violation of this policy, and consequences may be imposed by any school personnel.

- First offense: The cell phone (and/or headphones) will be taken to the office. The student will be able to pick it up after school.
- Second offense: The cell phone (and/or headphones) will be taken to the office. A parent will be able to pick it up after school.
- Third offense: After a parent conference, the student will lose the privilege of bringing a cell phone (and/or headphones) to school for the rest of the year.

School Computer Use

Oak Canyon Junior High recognizes the value of electronic communication devices as a learning tool. Devices will be used at the discretion of, and under the direction of, teachers and administrators.

Oak Canyon will take reasonable measures to protect students and ensure school computer use aligns with educational objectives. Internet safety training will be provided to all students and will include training on appropriate online behavior, cyber bullying awareness and response, social networking and chat rooms. Oak Canyon will also provide Internet access, student email accounts, and other online services with parental approval.

Computer use is a privilege and may be taken away if students use the computers in an inappropriate fashion. Oak Canyon strictly enforces the policies set forth by the Alpine School District's Acceptable Use Policy.

DRESS CODE

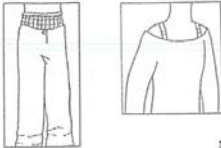
Alpine School District policy requires all students to conform to dress and grooming standards that avoid extremes and exemplify personal cleanliness. In order to maintain an atmosphere of academic and personal excellence, the dress code of Oak Canyon includes the following requirements:

- Clothing should be modest and not revealing.
- Appropriate undergarments and suitable footwear should be worn at all times.
- Heads should remain uncovered (no hats, hoodies, bandanas, etc.).
- Shirts and blouses should fully cover the shoulders, chest, and midriff (no tank tops, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines, belly shirts, etc.).
- Shorts and skirts should be at least mid-thigh in length.
- No display of undergarments.
- No clothing or displays with profane or vulgar language or with references to sex, violence, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, etc.
- No gang related clothing or displays such as baggy pants, hanging chains, gang color displays, slogans, symbols, gestures, etc.

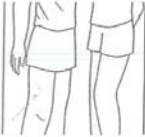
The way we dress at school affects our learning environment. The school administration will make the final determination on clothing, styles, and accessories that may not be appropriate for school.

Oak Canyon Dress Code
What NOT to Wear


NO DISPLAY OF UNDERGARMENTS




NO SHORTS, SKIRTS, OR DRESSES ABOVE MID-THIGH




NO HEAD COVERINGS INCLUDING HATS, BEANIES, HOODIES, ETC.




NO TANK TOPS, HALTERS, SPAGHETTI STRAPS, BARE MIDRIFTS, BARE BACKS, OR LOW CUT TOPS REVEALING CLEAVAGE.




NO VULGAR OR PROFANE WORDS, NO OBSCENE SLOGANS.



NO BARE FEET



NO PICTURES OR ADVERTISEMENTS FOR ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, DRUGS OR ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES.



SCHOOL SAFETY

It is the policy of the Alpine School District to prohibit acts of violence, aggression, terrorism, intimidation, use or possession of weapons, criminal behavior, or gang activity in all Alpine School District schools, on school grounds, at school sanctioned activities, or when students are being transported in vehicles dispatched by the district. To help ensure a safe school, Oak Canyon Junior High reserves the right to search backpacks or other personal belongings with reasonable suspicion.

Fighting and Bullying

Oak Canyon is committed to provide all students with a safe and secure learning environment. No fighting or bullying of any form will be tolerated. All reports of such will be investigated in a timely manner and appropriate administrative action taken.

Safe School Definitions

Bullying is aggressive behavior that is intended to cause harm or distress, exists in a relationship in which there is an imbalance of power or strength and may be repeated over time.

Physical Bullying includes, but is not limited to, pushing, grabbing, pinching, shoving, poking, tripping, kicking, hitting, and destroying property.

Verbal/ Written Bullying includes, but is not limited to, name calling, mean teasing, spreading false rumors, intimidation, sexual comments, harassing and threatening comments which are communicated verbally, in writing or through electronic media.

Cyber Bullying includes, but is not limited to, using email, web pages, text messaging, blogs, instant messaging, or any other electronic means for aggression, intimidation, or harassment against another person. Examples may include, but are not limited to sending mean, vulgar, or threatening messages or images; posting inappropriate pictures that are sensitive, or private information about the victim; pretending to be someone else to hurt that person; rude comments; lies; stalking; threats; extortion; harassment; and transmission of unflattering or embarrassing photographs.

Acts of Violence that disrupt the daily operation of the school include but are not limited to physical or sexual assault, intimidation, aggression, possessing or displaying a dangerous weapon, or committing acts of terrorism.

Dangerous Weapons include any items capable of causing death or serious bodily injury, or a facsimile or representation of the item.

Hazing/Harassment is intimidation or any act that injures, degrades, or disgraces a student or staff member.

Gang Activities shall include students who:

- Wear, possess, use, distribute, display or sell any clothing, jewelry, emblem,

badge, symbol, sign or other things which are evidence of membership or affiliation in any gang.

- Commit any act or use any speech, either verbal or non-verbal (gestures, handshakes, etc.) showing membership or affiliation in a gang.
- Use any speech or commit any act in furtherance of the interests of any gang or gang activity.

Sexual Harassment is defined as unwanted conduct or communication of a sexual nature that adversely affects a person's educational opportunities, comfort levels, relationships, or environment. This includes electronic harassment in the form of texts, chat rooms, social networking sites, pictures, etc. Students who feel like they have been sexually harassed should file a complaint with a school counselor or administrator. Investigation and resolution of the complaint will take place immediately.

Abetting is the act of supporting, encouraging, and/or assisting in activities which violate the safe school policy.

Controlled Substances

Use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and e-cigarettes are injurious to the health and often interferes with school behavior and learning, and prevents the student from fully utilizing his/her potential.

The Alpine School District Board of Education recognizes that the use, possession, and/or distribution of **alcohol, controlled substances**, includes prescription drugs, marijuana, cocaine, steroids, or other drugs listed in the law. **Imitation controlled substances**, something that looks like a controlled substance or produces similar effects are against district policy. The use or possession of tobacco, including electronic cigarettes, on school grounds is prohibited. For more information please refer to [Policy 5430- Substance Use](#) on the Alpine School District website (alpineschools.org)

Damage to School Property

At Oak Canyon we respect and protect our school building, property, and equipment. We treat our school as we would our own homes. Vandalizing Oak Canyon Junior High, the building at large, grounds, restrooms, lockers, textbooks, or equipment, with writing, tagging, stickers, or by mistreating them in any way, may result in loss of privileges, restitution fines, suspension or expulsion.

Snowballs, Scooters, Skateboards

For safety reasons, throwing snowballs anywhere on school grounds is prohibited. Skateboards may be stored in lockers during the school day, but may not be ridden on campus at any time. Scooters should also be stored or locked up during the day, and not ridden on campus.

Emergency Procedures

Safety drills are held at least four times per year. In the case of an actual emergency, students should follow the procedures they have practiced, and obey the instructions of school personnel and law enforcement.

If an actual emergency requires student pick up, students will only be released to parents, legal guardians, or those on the emergency contact list in Skyward.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Bicycles

Bicycles must be locked in the designated bike rack located on the northwest side of the school. Oak Canyon is not responsible for damaged or stolen bicycles.

Buses

All students are under the supervision and authority of the bus driver and must obey their instructions at all times. Students must demonstrate responsible behavior when riding the bus so everyone arrives to their intended destination safely. Riding the bus is not a right. Students who do not follow the following rules may lose their bus riding privileges.

- Students should line up single file to enter the bus. Walking behind or between buses is unsafe.
- Be seated and stay seated while the bus is moving. Do not place objects or any part of your body out the window, even if the bus is stopped.
- Do not open emergency doors or windows except in case of an actual emergency.
- Do not eat, drink or leave litter on the bus.
- Vandalism and inappropriate student interactions will be handled as a violation of the Safe Schools Policy.

Extra Curricular Activities

Participation in extra-curricular activities significantly enriches a student's school experience. A number of activities are available at Oak Canyon. Information about how to get involved is available on the school website.

The minimum academic requirement from the Utah High Schools Activity Association for all students to participate in high school sports is a 2.0 GPA with no more than one "F" (failing grade) the previous term. If you wish to be involved in a freshman team at a high school during your time at Oak Canyon, please check with your coach to confirm eligibility.

Grade Reports

Students are given a grade summary a few times per term to keep them informed of their academic progress. Official report cards are issued online four times per year, one

to two weeks after the term ends.

Halls

Students should be considerate of others and should respect others' personal space. Such respect is essential. Students should not use profane or vulgar language, should not run, yell, scream, hit lockers or otherwise make excessive noise while in the halls. Students are required to have a hall pass during class time. Students out of class without a hall pass from their teacher will be escorted back to their respective classes and may be asked to visit with an administrator. It is the student's responsibility to secure a pass prior to leaving class. In short, be where you are supposed to be, when you are supposed to be there, doing what you are supposed to be doing..

Locker Assignments

Lockers are made available for student use at a nominal charge, and will be assigned only upon request and payment of fee. If you would like to request a locker for your student, please use this [link](#) or go to our website (Information, Locker Request).

Locker Guidelines

All books and personal belongings are to be kept in a neat, orderly manner. Locker combinations are private information and should not be given out to anyone. Students are not to share lockers other than with their assigned locker partner. When your locker does not function properly, report this to the office to get help. Any person caught tampering with, opening or removing items from any locker other than his or her own may face strong disciplinary action. Never leave your locker without making sure you have locked it. Shut the door, turn the combination dial and test the door to make sure it is locked. Jamming the locks or pulling on the handle repeatedly causes them to break. Students will be charged a fine for replacement of broken locks or repair of damaged lockers. Lockers are the property of the school, and school authorities have a responsibility and a right to examine the contents of lockers for reasons of health, safety, and security. Skateboards and scooters brought to school should be stored in the student's locker during the school day.

Lost and Found

The school's lost and found is located in the Student Success Center (SSC) in room D-118. Items found should be turned in there. An effort will be made to return lost items to their owner if possible. **Lost and found items will be donated to charity every quarter.**

Lunch Information

Payment for lunches is made [in the lunchroom](#) before school or online at [mypaymentsplus.com](#) (link on school website). Each student will be issued a personal identification number which the student will give to the lunch personnel as they go through the lunch line. Students are responsible to keep their identification number confidential. If a student determines that someone else knows or is using their identification number, it needs to be reported immediately to the lunchroom management.

Students are to eat in designated areas only, and each student is responsible for cleaning up their own trash. Students who do not follow this rule will stay after lunch and assist in cleaning the cafeteria. All questions and concerns regarding the school lunch program should be directed to the lunchroom manager.

Nuisance Items

Please do not bring nuisance items to school. Nuisance items that distract from the learning environment may be confiscated and returned to a parent.

Public Display of Affection

Students are not allowed to engage in displays of affection or inappropriate physical contact anywhere on campus or at any school-sponsored activity.

Recognition Programs

- **Student of the Week** Students who demonstrate outstanding citizenship, school spirit, an attitude of success, good study habits and academic effort may be recommended by faculty members to receive this award.
- **Honor Roll** Students who earn a grade point average between 3.7 and 3.94 will be honored for their achievement.
- **High Honor Roll** Students who earn a grade point average of 3.95 or above for each grading term will be honored for their achievement.
- **Student of the Year Award** One 9th grade girl and boy will be selected as outstanding students for the year based on academic achievement, citizenship, and overall contribution to the school. These students will be selected by the faculty and will be announced at the Academic Awards Night at the end of the school year.
- **Department Awards** Each department will select a number of students at the end of the year to recognize for their outstanding work in that subject.
- **Class of the Quarter** One class (7th, 8th, or 9th) will be selected each term as Class of the Quarter. This selection will be based on highest attendance, lowest tardiness, highest % of class on honor roll, lowest % of class with 1 or more F grades, and other criteria unique to each quarter. The Class of the Quarter will be invited to participate in a special activity after the quarter ends.

Skateboards

Skateboards must not be ridden while on campus, and must be stored in the student's locker during the school day.

Suspension/Expulsion from School

Students should remember that their right to attend school is subject to their compliance with the rules which are discussed throughout this handbook. Any illegal act committed on school grounds may result in court prescribed penalties, but may also result in suspension or expulsion from school.

The following acts committed while under the jurisdiction of the school may constitute good cause for suspension and or expulsion:

- Causes or attempts to cause damage to school property; stealing or attempting to steal school property.
- Causes or attempts to cause damage to private property, steals or attempts to steal private property.
- Causes, attempts to cause, or threatens to cause physical injury to another person. Possesses, sells, or otherwise furnishes any firearm, knife, explosive, or incendiary devices (matches or cigarette lighters) or other dangerous objects.
- Possesses, uses, sells, or otherwise furnishes, or is under the influence of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind.
- Possesses or uses tobacco or e-cigarettes.
- Commits an obscene act or engages in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- Disrupts school activities, the instructional program or other aspects of the school day.
- Willfully defies the valid authority of school personnel.
- Truancy from school.
- Fighting
- Engages in public displays of affection (PDA) or promiscuous sexual activity.
- Commits an act of sexual harassment against another student or adult
- Possesses or uses, sells or otherwise furnishes poisons or noxious/poisonous gases.
- Intimidating students or other improper forms of harassment.
- Any other act the administration deems that suspension is appropriate.

Visitors

Parents and/or guardians are always welcome at Oak Canyon Junior High School. All visitors are expected to adhere to Oak Canyon's policies while visiting the school.

- All visitors will need to check in at the front office before visiting other areas of the school.
- A visitor pass will be issued in the front office that must be worn in the school.
- Administrators may refuse to issue a visitor pass in order to maintain an appropriate educational environment.
- Students not currently enrolled at Oak Canyon may not visit Oak Canyon during the school day..
- Any person entering Oak Canyon's grounds without permission is trespassing and may be subject to citation.