

# OCJH PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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## EVENTS 8/22-8/28 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

22 Spirit Day @ SWIG 1600 N Orem

23 Cross Country Begins

24 Evacuation Drill During RAD Time

## MESSAGE FROM MRS. ROSS

Eagles, what an incredible first week of school! We are thrilled to have you all back to school--it has been smooth and positive. Thank you for the kindness that you have extended to our new administrative team as well as to our faculty and your fellow students! Please keep up the good work! Parents, thank you for your patience with our new traffic pattern as well as our Chromebook checkout! Here are a couple of things to remember:

- Oak Canyon is a Next Generation School which means that all students have a Chromebook available to them to use at school and at home. Parents must grant permission for students to check out a Chromebook. Please refer to the section below for pertinent information.
- We have adopted the dress code piloted at the end of the school year as our official policy. Just a couple of quick reminders:
  - Clothing must be appropriate for school and cannot have words or images depicting drugs, alcohol, violence, and/or vulgarity.
  - Hats are permitted, but teachers may ask students to remove them in their individual classrooms.
  - Sleeveless tops are permitted, but all clothing must cover undergarments or where undergarments would be.
  - While we understand that cropped tops are the style at the moment, bare midriffs are not permitted. Please be mindful of this when selecting a cropped shirt.
- We are implementing a new tardy policy this year, so please be advised that students that are 0-7 minutes tardy need to go directly to their classes. Their teachers can mark them tardy in the classroom. Students that are over 7 minutes tardy will need to check in at the office for a tardy slip. We have also increased the passing period between classes from 5 to 7 minutes. The goal is for students to be in class and to be on time! So far so good, we appreciate your support with this new policy.

## SPIRIT DAY @ SWIG 8/22

It's SWIG Spirit Day all day Monday, August 22! Don't forget to pick up your drinks, and cookies! Be sure to mention Oak Canyon and 25% of your purchase will come right back to the Oak Canyon PTSA.

# EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT 1 TO 1 CHROMEBOOKS AT OCJH

**STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO CHECK OUT A CHROMEBOOK WITHOUT PARENT PERMISSION.** Permission can be granted in Skyward by parents/guardians. Please see the links below for assistance navigating Skyward:

[Chromebook Permission Tutorial in Skyward](#)

[Chromebook Permission Tutorial in Skyward Video](#)

If you cannot access Skyward, you can print out, sign, and return the following document to the school:

[At-Home Technology Agreement--English](#)

[At-Home Technology Agreement--Spanish](#)

In the instance of lost, stolen, or damaged Chromebooks, **insurance** can be purchased for \$25 for the whole school year. Otherwise, the cost to replace a Chromebook is \$150. Click on the link below for insurance information:

[Purchasing Chromebook Insurance](#)

If you would like to **manage your student's Chromebook at home**, we are pleased to inform you about an app called Blocks. Blocks allows parents to pause the internet, to set a "bedtime" for the Chromebook, to create a list of restricted sites, etc. when the Chromebook is in use at home. ASD has various filters and restrictions in place when the students are at school, but we desire students to be safe online at home as well. Click here to learn more about Blocks:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17ObSUqvSD028sohWCFJ9Q6sihS4V8S67b2X8uIG21z8/edit?usp=sharing>

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1F3Q6Ond21tPsYJ5qYE40kdMqDngi5jNj/view?usp=sharing>

If your student is experiencing **technical problems** with their Chromebook, click here to access some troubleshooting tips:

[Chromebook Issues Troubleshooting Tips](#)

For an overview of our 1 to 1 Chromebook Initiative as well as expectations for parents and students, click on the link below or see the infographic at the end of the newsletter:

[Oak Canyon 1:1 to Parents and Students '22](#)

## OCJH BALLROOM

OCJH offers an afterschool ballroom dance program on Mondays and Wednesdays afterschool in the Orchestra Room. Students can sign up at OakCanyonBallroom.com. See flyer below!

## CROSSING GUARD NEEDED AT ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELEMENTARY

Lindon City is in need of a crossing guard for Rocky Mountain Elementary. The position is M-F from 7:30-8:30 AM and again from 1:45-2:45 PM. If interested, please contact Lindon City.



# OAK CANYON JUNIOR HIGH

## A NEXT GENERATION SCHOOL

### OAK CANYON VISION FOR LEARNING

At Oak Canyon, we seek to deliberately develop skills and dispositions in students and staff to intentionally foster their connection and well-being. Teachers will continue to work diligently to create learning environments that help students to powerfully engage in their learning by using course content as the vehicle to develop character, citizenship, critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and creativity. In order for students to powerfully engage in these valuable learning opportunities, we need them in class. We ask parents to promote daily attendance and focus on learning. We look forward to the connections, discoveries, and creations that will come from this opportunity.

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE A NEXT GENERATION SCHOOL?

Starting in 2022-23, students will be assigned a Chromebook that they can carry to each class and take home to support deep learning classroom experiences. This model allows all of our teachers to use these tools and innovative techniques to deliberately accomplish our school vision.

**OAK CANYON JR. HIGH VISION**

EAGLES BECOME CONFIDENT, RESILIENT, LIFE-LONG LEARNERS BY DEVELOPING:

- CITIZENSHIP**  
SHOWING RESPECT FOR OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY
- CREATIVITY**  
EXPLORING INTERESTS AND DESIGNING SOLUTIONS
- CRITICAL THINKING**  
GAINING KNOWLEDGE TO SOLVE PROBLEMS
- CHARACTER**  
FORMING CONNECTIONS AND A GROWTH MINDSET
- COLLABORATION**  
WORKING TOGETHER TOWARDS SHARED OUTCOMES
- COMMUNICATION**  
SHARING IDEAS, TAKING FEEDBACK, AND LISTENING

### ADVANTAGES OF A ONE-TO-ONE MODEL

Each student will be issued a Chromebook that they will be able to use for the entire school year so that every student has access to digital learning tools. Chromebooks are a resource that can increase student engagement in the classroom by providing new and exciting ways for students to learn and demonstrate understanding. Students will have the option to purchase a chromebook when they graduate at a reduced cost.

### RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

We hope you are excited about this opportunity! We have had outstanding parental support with students taking good care of

musical instruments, expensive textbooks, and other school equipment when they are trusted with those responsibilities. We trust you to take care of your device and come to class prepared each day.

Important Information About Student Issued Computers				
Security & Filters	Canvas	Parental Control Apps	Digital Citizenship	Troubleshooting & Repair
All student computers will be filtered at home and at school through ASD filters and firewalls.	Parents have the opportunity to observe student assignments and courses.	Parents will have access to control, track and monitor devices used at home.	Citizenship and Character are two of the 6 C's we will continue to focus on in every class.	Help guides and "loaner" devices will be available while we work to fix your device.

# Join Ballroom!

AFTER SCHOOL

MONDAYS  
&  
WEDNESDAYS

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