

OCJH PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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OCTOBER 10, 2022

EVENTS 10/10-10/23 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

10/10-10/16 (B-WEEK)

10/17-10/23 (A-WEEK)

10 Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day

10 Girls' Open Gym 2:30-3:30

11 Eagle of the Month 9:00 AM in the TLC

11 PTSA General Board Meeting 9:30 AM in the TLC

11 Band Bash Fall Concert 6 PM

12 Boys' Open Gym 12:15-2:15

12 1st Term Ends

13-14 Fall Break/No School

17 Teacher PD Day-No Students

18-21 Red Ribbon Week (More Info Below)

18 Boys' Open Gym 2:15-4:15

18 SCC Meeting 2:30-3:30 PM

18 Community Bond Presentation @ AFHS 6:30 PM

19 Boys' Open Gym 12:15-2:15

19 Community Bond Presentation @ VHMS 6:30 PM

20 Picture Retakes

20 Reflections Entries Due

20 3 on 3 Basketball Intramurals 2:30-3:30 in the Gym

20 Community Bond Presentation @ THS 6:30 PM

MESSAGE FROM MRS. ROSS



WE INCLUDE AND
SERVE OTHERS

WE COMMUNICATE
APPROPRIATELY

WE NOTICE AND
ENCOURAGE GROWTH

WE CELEBRATE DIFFERENCES
AND SUCCESSES

WE CONTRIBUTE TO
THE WORLD

Over the past month, I've focused my weekly messages on our school value of CONNECTION. Each week, I've addressed 1-2 of the indicators of CONNECTION listed on the posters found around the school and in classrooms. This week, we have the opportunity to recognize students that have been nominated by their teachers for demonstrating the indicators of CONNECTION as "OCJH Eagle of the Month." Also, early last week, Mrs. Burt and I had the opportunity to see CONNECTION in action as we accompanied the Science Demo Team led by Mr. Escobedo and Mr. Garlick to Clear Creek. The Science Demo Team spent two days fine tuning their individual and group components of the presentation they will be taking around the district to get them excited about science. We even got to be volunteers in their practicing---I got to walk on broken glass and Mrs. Burt got to lay on a bed of nails! Talk about an awesome opportunity to CONNECT with amazing Oak Canyon students--the trust we placed in them created CONNECTIONS that will last a long time! In addition, our Choir led by Ms. Sanders had its first performance of the year and showcased how they are growing as musicians and performers. I have heard nothing but amazing things about the experience they created. Truly, the Science Demo Team as well as our various Choirs embody our value of CONNECTION--they have to work together to create something of value, they have to cheer each other on, and create a final product together that will bring joy and happiness to

themselves and others. What a magnificent thing!

OCJH, enjoy some much deserved time away from school **CONNECTING** with family and friends, hobbies and interests. Congratulations on making it through the 1st Term of the 22-23 school year! We are off to a great start indeed!



NEW INFORMATION:

END OF TERM 1--OCTOBER 12

The end of Term 1 is right around the corner! This is a reminder to students and families to check grades in Skyward and work with teachers right away in regard to any questions or concerns with Term 1 grades or missing assignments.

FROM THE OCJH PTSA:

SAVE THE DATE!

Our next PTSA Spirit Night fundraiser will be at Vineyard Chubby's on Monday, Oct. 24 from 2-9pm!!

2022 PTA REFLECTIONS THEME: "SHOW YOUR VOICE"--ENTRIES DUE 10/20

The PTA Reflections contest deadline is coming up soon! You can use any of your artistic abilities to enter one, two, or all of the seven categories: 2D Art, 3D Art, photography, music, dance composition, literature, and film production! The theme this year is "Show Your Voice." This has been stumping some people this year, so try substituting the words "share," "tell," "explain," or "express" instead of "show". Here are some ways to rephrase the theme:

"How can you show your creativity or imagination?"

"What makes you unique?"

"What do you want people to know about you?"

"What's important to you?"

"How do you share what's important to you with others?"

"Where can your voice make a difference?"

"What will you use your voice to say?"

"Why does your voice matter?"

"How will you share your voice?"

"When is your voice important?"

"Who needs to hear your voice?"

Each of you has something unique to share! **Entries are due by October 20.** Go to utahpta.org/ref to enter. Don't forget the Artist Statement! Everyone who enters will receive some awesome coupons, and the winners will receive a cash prize and their artwork will move on to the next level of competition. Have fun! For questions or help, contact Amy Hintze at beladara@gmail.com

RED RIBBON WEEK--10/18-10/21

Next week is Red Ribbon Week! There will be prizes for participation in dress up days and lunchtime activities! Come to the PTSA table during lunch for activities and to enter into the prize drawing!



COMMUNITY BOND PRESENTATIONS/OPEN HOUSES

On the upcoming November Ballot, voters within ASD will have the opportunity to vote for or against the proposed bond. Information can be found on the Alpine School District website, in addition to three community meetings coming up next week.

Tuesday, October 18: Community Bond Presentation/Open House 6:30 PM @ American Fork High School

Wednesday, October 19: Community Bond Presentation/Open House 6:30 PM @ Vista Heights Middle School

Thursday, October 20: Community Bond Presentation/Open House 6:30 PM @ Timpanogos High School

We encourage all to study the issue prior to the vote on November 8th!

REMINDERS:

ASD RISE NOMINATIONS

Do you know a teacher or school employee who is **Remarkable, Inspiring, Selfless, and/or Encouraging?** Please nominate them for the new ASD RISE Award. Nominees will be recognized at their school, and a few each month

will be selected for Board Recognition during a Board meeting at the District Office. Click [here](#) to access the nomination form.

OCJH AFTER SCHOOL CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

Oak Canyon offers a variety of after school connection activities. There is a link to them on the website and they are listed on the OCJH Calendar as well. Here is a listing of those weekly activities:

M Ballroom (M. Haymond Orchestra Room) 2:15-3:45

T E-Sports (Redford F115) 2:15-3:00

T FBLA (Wintle F114) 2:15-3:00

T 3D Design (Hansen E106) 2:15-3:00

T Improvisation (Lamoreaux Auditorium) 2:15-3:00 Starting in January.

W Ballroom (M. Haymond Orchestra Room) 12:30-2:30

TH TSA (Redford F115) 2:30-3:30

TH Dungeons and Dragons (Adamson E102) 2:30-3:30 (Until January)

F Jewelry Making (Flood B147) 2:15-3:00 (1st and 3rd Fridays)

F Math Club (Jorgensen B152) 2:15-3:15

In addition, Ms. Bachelor, will be hosting a lunch time book club in the Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays during both lunches. Students can bring their lunches with them to the library. They will be discussing *Never After: The Thirteenth Fairy*, a fun fantasy adventure for fans of *Fablehaven*.

CHROMEBOOK REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT COSTS

Now that students have received their Chromebooks we are starting to perform repairs and replacements on damaged machines. This is what you need to know:

1. Please remind your students that they are responsible to take care of these district owned machines. Chromebooks are quite durable, but if thrown around in backpacks, slammed shut repeatedly, dropped, etc., they will become damaged.
2. Students are responsible to pay for damages they cause to their Chromebook. The repairs/replacement costs are as follows:
 - a. Minor Tampering \$10
 - b. Replacement Charging Cord \$30
 - c. Screen/Other Replacement \$150
 - d. Replacement Device \$150
3. When a chromebook is being repaired, the school has some loaner devices that can be used by students in the meantime. However, in order for a student to get back their assigned Chromebook after it has been repaired/replaced, they will need to pay the charged fee first.
4. Insurance is available on these devices for \$25 per year. Click [here](#) if you would like to learn more.

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/1F3Q6Ond21tPsYJ5gYE40kdMqDnqi5jNj/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](#)