

OCJH PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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EVENTS 10/17-10/30 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

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

10/24-10/30 (A-WEEK)

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

24 School Spirit Night- Vineyard Chubby's 2-9PM

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

25 Boys' Open Gym 2:15-4:00

25 ASD Board Meeting 6:00-8:00 @ District Office

26 Boy's Open Gym 12:15-2:15

26 Honor Roll Treats 11:45 AM

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. This week, I am celebrating the extraordinary fruits for staff and students that have manifested as a result of CONNECTION! As I mentioned last week, our Choirs had their Fall Concert and did an amazing job showcasing their talents. In addition, our Bands, under the direction of Mr. Clint Roberts, had their Band Bash last Tuesday. It was truly magical to experience. Not only did we gather in the Gym with all of the Oak Canyon musicians, but we had the pleasure of welcoming members of the PGHS and THS bands to perform as well. My favorite part of the evening was when students from OCJH, PGHS, and THS played a piece together. They had only performed the song together a few times that day, so they really had to communicate, connect, and use different strengths and abilities to create a masterpiece together. It was inspiring! Our Cross Country team had their final meet, and I'm pleased to report that they did incredibly well--in fact, our 9th grade girls team won the championship! Recently, our Student Leadership Coalition (Student Council, Hope Squad, and Promotions Team) came together to learn from student leaders from both high schools and to create a massive rough draft of an art project that will eventually adorn walls of the school in its final form. It is not only the results that are impressive, it is the process our students are engaged in to develop skills and dispositions, to work together, and to create things together that they couldn't have

created alone. Such amazing examples of what CONNECTION can do for our school community. Keep up the GREAT work, Eagles!

NEW INFORMATION:

FROM THE OCJH PTSA:

Red Ribbon Week: Proud to Be Drug Free!

It's Red Ribbon Week this week! There will be prizes for participation in dress up days and lunchtime activities!

Wear RED on Tuesday!! Come to the PTSA table during lunch for activities and to enter into the prize drawing!



2022 PTA REFLECTIONS Due this Thursday, Oct. 20!

The Reflections Art Contest deadline is this week! There will be prizes for all participants and cash prizes for winners in each category! Submit your entry ONLINE at utahpta.org/ref

PTSA Spirit Night 10/24

Our PTSA Spirit Night fundraiser will be next week at the Vineyard Chubby's! Come grab an after school snack or dinner for the family on Monday, Oct. 24 from 2-9pm!! Chubby's is donating 20% of all sales back to Oak Canyon!

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!

SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKES

Students and staff who missed picture day in September or would like retakes will have the opportunity on Thursday, October 20th. Information about picture packets can be found on the Bell Photography website at <https://www.bellphoto.com>.

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/1F3Q6Ond21tPsYJ5gYE40kdMqDngi5jNj/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](#)