

Crusader Chronicles

April 19, 2024



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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| April 19 | No Osky Community buses all day |
| April 19 | Chapel Group Activity |
| April 22 | Mrs. Vander Leest here for 5th-8th |
| April 22 | TRIP orders due |
| April 23 | School Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m. |
| April 24 | Mile Run for KK, 4th & 5th |
| April 24 | Marching Band Practice, leaving at 1:55 |
| April 24 | 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses |
| April 25 | Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00 |
| April 26 | Grandparents Day & K-4th Musical |
| April 26 | Noon dismissal |
| April 26 | Evening K-4th Musical Performance |
| April 27 | 8th Grade Banquet |
| April 29 | School begins at 8:00! (first day) |
| April 29 | Mrs. Vander Leest is here |
| April 29 | ISASP Testing, 3rd-8th |
| April 29 | Mile Run for 6th-8th |
| May 1 | 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses |

REMINDERS



- ESA Applications** will be accepted April 16-June 30 through the withodyssey.com website. Due to changes in the Iowa tax forms, you might qualify for ESA funding even if you did not qualify last year. More information was emailed to parents this week.
- A reminder to families who live outside the Oskaloosa School District:** Your mileage reimbursement forms must be turned in to your residing school district by May 1. Extra forms are in the office and can be emailed to you or sent home with students.

Attention Parents! Willing Workers committee sign-ups for next school year ('24-'25) will be emailed out early next week. Families that were new to our school this year will get the first opportunity to sign up on Monday, April 22 @ 9 am. All other families will get to sign up Tuesday, April 23 @ 9 am. Please be on the lookout for an email! See the attached flyer as a reminder why volunteering is so important for our school!



GRANDPARENTS/FRIENDS DAY

Grandparents/Friends Day is next Friday, April 26. Students, be sure to tell your grandparents or another special someone to join us for the K-4th Musical, "Danny and the Shacks" in the gym at 9:30. Following the musical they will enjoy a time of welcome and fellowship in the gym followed by classroom visiting. We will have a noon dismissal that day and no school lunch will be served this year. Parents, please see the note below for dismissal procedures. We are excited to welcome our grandparents to school on this day!

Parents, here are the dismissal procedures for Grandparents Day on Friday, April 26:

-We will have a noon dismissal with no Osky buses, and no school lunch will be served. Students may leave with grandparents for our noon dismissal. If it is your plan for a grandparent or someone else to pick up your child that day, please let your child's teacher know who that person will be. Grandparents will need to sign out students from their classroom before leaving. If Grandparents are picking up more than one child, they need to go to each classroom to sign out and pick them up. Parents, please share these dismissal procedures with grandparents.

-Parents, if you are picking up your child(ren) that day, **please DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL BEFORE 12:10**. This will allow time for the grandparents to leave and prevent congestion in our parking lot before carline begins.

Thank you for your cooperation!

KK-4th Spring Musical – Danny and the Shacks!

Friday, April 26, 2024



We are very excited to share our musical next Friday with two performances. First, we will share it for Grandparents' Day at 9:30 a.m., and then we will share it with all our family and friends at 7:00 p.m.! SONshine preschool will be joining for parts of the evening performance as well.

Reminder: ALL KK-4th GRADE STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED to attend both morning and evening performances so we can share God's truths through the musical.

KK-3rd Students should be wearing (both the morning & evening):

- chapel theme shirts
- pants (no shorts or dresses as we will be sitting on the risers),
- and tennis shoes (or shoes tight to foot) - NO sandals/flip flops.

Fourth graders should be wearing (both the morning & evening):

- black shirts, black pants, and shoes (some may have "Biblical" sandals if tight fitting)

When to be at school:

- KK - third grade students should be IN their rooms by 6:50.
- Fourth graders should meet in the music room by 6:40 p.m. to pray, organize props, and put on microphones and costumes.

(Please do not drop off any students before 6:35 p.m. as no one will be in the rooms to monitor them. If you arrive early, please keep your child with you until the time they are to be elsewhere.)

Come celebrate the exciting musical adventures of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, reminding us that we can trust God's truth and faithfulness no matter what!

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Friday, April 19: No Osky buses all day
- Wednesday, April 24: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Friday, April 26: Noon dismissal with no Osky buses
(Grandparents/Friends Day)
- Wednesday, May 1: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, May 8: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| Mr. Joel Rietema | April 19 |
| Erin Bregar | April 21 |
| Hazel Hessing | April 22 |
| Mrs. Tiffany Roozeboom | April 23 |
| Madi Osborn | April 24 |

TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)

TRIP orders are due by Noon in the office on these dates, and can be picked up on Fridays of the same week.
Upcoming order dates: April 22, **May 6 (last order date)**

The voucher deadline for this year has ended. Any vouchers received will be applied to next year's distribution.

Cash and Carry cards will be available for sale until the last day of school while supplies last.

If you have any questions feel free to contact Kristin Plate at trip@oskaloosachristian.net or 641-670-0583.

We are actively seeking applicants for the following 2024-2025 positions:

- Full or Part Time Middle School Math Teacher
- Full Time Elementary Classroom Aide

Please stop by the office for an application or contact Joel Rietema (rietemaj@oskaloosachristian.net) for more information.

Due to the Snow Days we took this winter we need to make up a small amount of time to reach the minimum state required hours for the year. **Starting April 29** for the rest of the school year we will be starting school at 8:00 sharp instead of 8:05. Please prepare for this slight change and make every effort to honor teachers by getting your student(s) here on time every day. **NOTE: This start time will carry over to next year's daily schedule as well!**

SONshine Preschool is accepting applications for a Teacher's Aide position. Please visit sonshinepreschool.org/employment-opportunities for more information.



Our KK-4th Track Meet will be Wednesday, May 1 from 12:15-1:45 at the Statesmen Community Stadium on the Lacey Complex. Everyone is invited to come and cheer for our young athletes!



GIVING TREE: The Giving Tree Committee is excited to announce our upcoming Giving Tree Project. Here is how it will work. There will be a tree set up during our annual Grandparents' Day and Spring Musical (April 26) with ornaments on the tree. On the ornaments are wishes from the teachers and staff for items they are requesting

for their classrooms, the office, the gym, etc. Grandparents, parents and friends are encouraged to take the ornaments off the tree, purchase the requested item(s) and return the item(s) to the teacher with the name of the giver on the back of the ornament and attached to the item. Also, each classroom and department will have their own color of ornaments so if you choose to buy something for a certain classroom/department you will know which color you are looking for. There will be a color chart by the tree that will show the color for each class/department. We ask that the item(s) purchased be delivered to the teachers/staff by the end of the school year. For those of you who wish to give a monetary cash donation, please bring those to the office. Let's join together and bless our staff!

HOT LUNCH MENU



April 22-26

Monday: Pancakes, lil' Smokies, Hashbrown Potato, Orange Juice
Tuesday: Chicken Patty on WG Bun, Broccoli w/cheese sauce, Applesauce, Bar
Wednesday: Creamed Turkey/Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll
Thursday: Mac-n-Cheese, Ham, Carrots, Apple Slices, WG Cinnamon Sticks
Friday: Noon Dismissal-no school lunch (Grandparents Day)

SUMMER LEARNING

Parents, this summer there will be an optional opportunity for summer learning lessons for those students who are committed to work, show up, and maintain their skills to be prepared for the next grade level at our school. Students will review grade level skills to keep them fresh for the next school year and avoid the summer slide. These lessons are typically one-on-one tutoring sessions for reading/phonics/ELA and/or math for students currently in grades PreK - 4th grade.

There will be approximately 10 weeks available throughout the summer, from June through mid-August, with occasional breaks for fairs or vacations, etc. Each session will be 45 minutes and held 2 times/week. Spots are limited!

It may look a little different than years past, but please contact Mrs. Kaisand to reserve your spot today or ask any questions that you may have. Serious inquiries only. It is nice to secure a schedule before school is out in May.

Email: kaisandj@oskaloosachristian.net Phone: 641.891.0802

Iron Giraffe Challenge

Thank you! We have gotten our desired goal of \$1,000 that will go to benefit the South Sudan water crisis. Yet the more money we raise, the more we can help, so this mission is not over yet. If you have not already, please consider donating to our quest in helping others. **The deadline to give is next Monday, April 22! The QR code has expired, but you can still donate by using the link below.** Thank you for being community builders and servant workers! -From, the 7th graders

To donate, visit this website: http://secure.waterforsouthsudan.org/goto/OSCI_7thGrade



District V Track and Field Meet

THANKS to everyone who had a part in this year's District V Track and Field Meet on Monday, April 15.

All your efforts made this year's meet a tremendous success! We had beautiful weather and a few records that were broken too!

Head Timer: Steve Kaisand

Timers: School reps, Kristi Jabaay

Runners: Megan Keith and Amy De Boef

Recorder: Shawna Goemaat

Results Recorder: Patti Westra

Clerks: Jenessa Kaisand, Mary Beth Jackson, Lisa De Bruin, Karen Harrill

Assistant Clerks: Treana Drost and Michelle Hol

Checkers: Arlys Van Kooten, Leah Stam, Shannon Semini

Starter: Autumn Reisetter

Exchange Zones/Cuts: Shannon Semini, Amy De Boef, Dennis Rietema

Announcer: Joel Rietema

Track Meet Organizer: Renee Van Kooten

Student Helpers: Joy Mitchell, Melissa Bowen, Alicia Vander Wal, and Keri Spronk

Track Volunteers: Leon Van Kooten, Dennis Rietema

Ribbon Writers: OSCI Teachers

Bus Driver: Caleb Stam