

Crusader Chronicles

April 6, 2023



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr. 7	No School for Good Friday
Apr. 10	No School for Easter Monday
Apr. 10	Osby Track Meet at Pella, 4:30
Apr. 11	Mrs. Johannsen here for 5th-8th grades
Apr. 12	2:15 dismissal with Osby buses
Apr. 13	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
Apr. 13	No Osby buses after school
Apr. 13	Pella Christian Track Meet, 4:30
Apr. 13	ESA (Educational Savings Accounts) Meeting
Apr. 14	KK-8th Praise & Worship, 8:15
Apr. 14	No Osby buses all day
Apr. 17-21	Dibels testing for K-5th
Apr. 18	PC Track Meet at Pleasantville, 4:30
Apr. 18	Osby Track Meet at South Tama, 4:30
Apr. 19	District V Track Meet for 5th-8th graders
Apr. 19	Marching Band practice 2:45-4:15 at Lacey Track
Apr. 19	2:15 dismissal with Osby buses
Apr. 20	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
Apr. 20	Osby Track Meet at Grinnell, 4:30
Apr. 24	PC Track Meet at Eddyville, 4:30
Apr. 25	District V Track Meet Rain Date
Apr. 26	2:15 dismissal with Osby buses

REMINDERS



- We will not have school tomorrow on Friday, April 7 and Monday, April 10 in observance of Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday. A chapel hosted by the teachers was held today at 8:15 for all KK-8th students.
- We are looking for one or two people to sit at Mrs. Patti's desk during our District V Track Meet on Wednesday, April 19. If you would be willing to answer the phone and the door for all or part of the day, please call the school office at 672-2174 or send an email to westrap@oskalooosachristian.net. Thank you!
- Calendar Change! The Education Committee has approved a change in the calendar. Due to Tulip Time parades and our students' involvement in it, Friday, May 5 will be a noon dismissal with no lunch served. Afternoon buses will not be available, so please plan accordingly. Thank you.

Oskaloosa Christian School is actively seeking applicants for three teaching positions for the 2023-24 school year. Candidates should be passionate about building relationships with students and the integration of a Biblical worldview into all areas of teaching and learning.

- Full-time 2nd grade teacher
 - Full-time instrumental and choir music teacher for 5th-8th grades
 - Part-time art teacher for K-8th grades
- Inquiries can be made to Principal Don Mitchell at 641-672-2174 or mitchelld@oskalooosachristian.net. Application forms as well as other required documents can be found on our website at www.oskalooosachristian.net under the 'News' tab.

ESA Meeting Next Week!

The passing of House File 68 (educational savings accounts, or ESAs) has invoked many questions as to what this means for Oskaloosa Christian School, both for next year and for future years. As a result, we would like to make a presentation to all parents and open up an opportunity for questions. Please mark your calendars for Thursday, April 13 at 7:00 pm at Fellowship Bible Church, located at 1000 A Avenue West in Oskaloosa. On that evening, school personnel will be speaking regarding ESAs and the school's plan for tuition and the use of funding sources. Again, please mark your calendars, and we hope to see all of you on April 13.

Legacy of Grace The Legacy of Grace Student Tuition Organization (LOG-STO) application for the 2023-2024 school year is officially open. The link will be included in today's parent email. **We are asking every family to fill out an application for LOG-STO.** We want to help as many families as possible, and this would be another avenue of possible tuition assistance. The STO will be targeting families between the 300% and 400% poverty levels, as the educational savings accounts (ESAs) are accessible to families at 300% poverty level or below for the 2023-2024 school year. The deadline for this year's application is April 30, so please fill it out at your earliest convenience. Feel free to contact Joel Groenenboom at 641-295-2003 or joelg2911@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you.

JOB OPENING at SONshine Preschool!



SONshine Preschool is seeking a full-time preschool teacher for the 2023-24 school year. Classes are normally held M/W and T/Th from 8 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Fridays as prep time. For more information, visit www.sonshinepreschool.org or email director@sonshinepreschool.org.

Tables for Sale: Miss VK is selling her whiteboard tables (36" x 72" rectangle) that are in her classroom. The cost of each table is \$125. If you are interested, give her a call (641-660-2623) or send her an email (vankootenr@oskalooosachristian.net). Tables would need to be picked up from school at the end of May.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, April 12: 2:15 dismissal with Osby buses
- Thursday, April 13: no Osby buses after school
- Friday, April 14: no Osby buses all day
- Wednesday, April 19: 2:15 dismissal with Osby buses
- Wednesday, April 26: 2:15 dismissal with Osby buses
- Friday, April 28: 2:15 dismissal, no Osby buses all day





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Allie Campbell
Miley Nance
Aria Schaefer

April 8
April 12
April 14

TRIP (Tuition Reduction Incentive Program)

TRIP orders are due by noon on the dates below, and can be picked up on Fridays of the same week.

Upcoming order dates: April 11(Tuesday), 17, 24

Eagles Nest has returned to our TRIP program. Certificates are now available for \$5 at a 10% discount.

A reminder to turn vouchers in by April 17. Vouchers turned in AFTER April 17 will be applied to the next year's tuition.

We are now requiring cash and carry and national orders to be placed separately. If paying by check the orders must be on separate checks.

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

Thank you to all who joined us for chapel this morning. A video of our chapel was emailed to parents and can also be found on our school's website at www.oskaloosachristian.net.

Good Friday/Easter Chapel
Jesus, our Rescuer!
Thanks to the teachers for hosting!



The 4th graders helped us recite Luke 24:1-12.



We celebrated Jesus being our Rescuer with an Easter reader's theater performed by kids from grades 1-8.

HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



April 10-14

Monday: No School

Tuesday: Maidrite on a WG Bun, French Fries, Pineapple, Bar

Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, Dinner Roll

Thursday: Chicken Fajita Quesadilla, Carrots, Mandarin Oranges,

Cinnamon Squares

Friday: Pizzaburgers, Green Beans, Pears, Yogurt



Teaching *for*
TRANSFORMATION

TFT Spotlight: See the Story. Live the Story.

Our teachers are using TFT tools in their classrooms to create learning experiences that empower our students to play their part in God's Story.

JUSTICE SEEKER

Act as an agent of change by identifying and responding to injustices.



Miss Renee Van Kooten
6-8 School Social Studies and KK-8 PE

Being a justice seeker, especially in the world in which we live, finds its way in many aspects and areas of our lives. There seem to be injustices that we are trying to correct or make right all around us. Both in my Social Studies classes as well as in my PE classes, students are identifying and responding to injustices

they see throughout history or in how others are treating them. The last week of March, the 7th grade students had the opportunity to research what their current legislators are working on and if they noticed any injustices they wanted to let the legislators know about in their community. We then toured the Capitol and met with Senator Rozenboom and Representative Hayes and I appreciated the conversations we had with them in working for justice on various causes for the people they are serving.

Remember as a Justice Seeker that justice is ultimately fulfilled in Christ. Always be reminded of what the Lord requires of us: to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with Him. (Micah 6:8) Be a Justice Seeker!

✓ **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** Below is a list of dates for upcoming events from now to the end of the school year. More specific event details will be forthcoming.

April 7-10: No School for Easter break

April 13: ESA Meeting at 7:00 pm (see article)

April 19: 5th-8th District V Track Meet

April 28: Grandparents Day

KK-4th Musical performances in afternoon and evening

April 29: 8th Grade Banquet

May 4-6: Tulip Time Marching

May 9: 5th Grade Music Concert, 6:30 p.m.

May 12: KK-5th Chapel (6th-8th on Field Trip)

May 19: 8th Grade Graduation, 7:00 p.m.

May 24: Service Projects a.m., Field Day at after lunch

May 25: last day of school, KK graduation 8:30-9:30, End of year chapel, 10:00, Noon dismissal

