

Crusader Chronicles

March 22, 2024



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 25	SONshine Preschool Registration
March 27	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
March 28	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
March 29	No School for Good Friday
April 1	No School for Easter Monday
April 3	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
April 4	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
April 5	Chapel Group Praise & Worship
April 8	Middle School Knowledge Bowl, 4:00-6:30 pm
April 9	5th Grade Concert
April 10	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
April 11	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
April 12	K-8th Chapel, 8:20 a.m., 1st & 8th graders host
April 15	District V Track Meet for 5th-8th graders
April 17	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
April 18	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
April 18	No afternoon Osky Community buses
April 19	No Osky Community buses all day
April 19	Chapel Group Activity
April 24	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
April 25	Middle School Electives, 1:20-3:00
April 26	Grandparents Day & K-4th Musical

REMINDERS



- Please note** that we will not have school on Friday, March 29 and Monday, April 1 in observance of Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday.
- Save the dates below for our upcoming Track Meets!**
- Our **KK-4th grade Track Meet** will be held on Wednesday, May 1 from 12:15-1:45 at the Lacey Stadium. Save the date to join us!!
- Also, our school will host the District V Track and Field Meet** for area Christian schools on Monday, April 15. Our 5th-8th graders will be participating in the events. Field events will begin at 9:00 with running events starting by 10:20. We should conclude by 2:45. It will be held at the Statesman Community Stadium on the Lacey Complex. More information will be shared later.
- We are looking for one or two people** to sit at Mrs. Patti's desk during our District V Track Meet on Monday, April 15. 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@oskaloosachristian.net. Thank you!
- Rebranding Survey Reminder!** Parents, a rebranding survey was emailed to you yesterday. This survey was emailed to all current school families and staff, and financially supporting churches. If you know of anyone else who would be interested in the survey, you are welcome to forward it on to them. It must be completed by next Monday, March 25. The link will also be included in today's parent email.
Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DCL97QV>

Applications will still be accepted next week for the job openings below. Please share with anyone who may be interested!

----- JOB OPENINGS -----

Oskaloosa Christian School has the following job openings for the 2024-2025 school year:

- Classroom Aides for Kinder Kids and other elementary grade** - teaching certificate not required
- Part-time Art Teacher** - teaching certificate not required
- 6th-8th Math Teacher**

Application forms can be found on our website at www.oskaloosachristian.net) or in our school office. Questions? contact Mr. Rietema at rietemaj@oskaloosachristian.net or call 641-672-2174.

Oskaloosa Christian School is excited to announce an opening for a new full-time administrative position! We are currently collecting applications for a **new Director of Learning and Advancement**. This person will serve the school in various capacities including Teacher & Student Support, Marketing/Promotions, Admissions, and Administrative Assistance. If you or anyone you know might be interested in applying, please stop by the school office or contact Joel Rietema at rietemaj@oskaloosachristian.net for an application packet.

BB Coach! Oskaloosa Christian School will be looking to hire a **Boys Basketball Coach** for the 2024-2025 school year. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Athletic Director Shannon Semini at 641-660-7036.



•**New Student Information System:** Parents, our school is working on implementing a new student information system called FACTS, and we hope to start using it sometime after spring break. This will replace our current Jupiter Ed grading system and you will also be able to access your financial accounts, and so much more. Be looking for information coming in the next few weeks.

•**2024-2025 Enrollment (Registration)** will begin soon. There is an enrollment fee of \$50 per student instead of the previous registration fee of \$300. As soon as things are set up families will be enrolling through FACTS this year. Watch for more details soon.

•**ESA Applications** are scheduled to open April 16 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 will be emailed to parents next week.

SONshine Preschool has the following job opening:

Full-time teacher (classes are normally M/W and T/Th with prep day on Friday)

Go to <https://www.sonshinepreschool.org/employment-opportunities> for full job description and application link.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, Mar. 27: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, April 3: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, April 10: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Roselyn Schaefer March 23
Ms. Jeanine Vandeegeest March 25

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: March 25, April 8

•We are doing **2 national orders per month this year.** Order dates will be published in the Crusader Chronicles.

Fee Increase: Please note that the convenience fee that participants pay when using a credit card during checkout on RaiseRight.com and the mobile app has increased from 2.6% to 3% per transaction. Shipping rates have also increased for organizations, but there are no price changes to family Ship to Home orders.

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

HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



March 25-29

Monday: Chicken Soup, Corn, Peaches, WG Cinnamon Roll

Tuesday: Hot Dog on a WG Bun, Chips, Carrots, Applesauce, Ice Cream Bar

Wednesday: Mandarin Orange Chicken, Rice, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll

Thursday: WG Sub Sandwich, Sun Chips, Broccoli, Apple Slices, Bar

Friday: Good Friday-No School



Hot Lunch Balance: Parents, please be sure your family's hot lunch account is supplied with adequate funds. Check your balance on our website under 'Parent Resources'. Go to Hot Lunch Program, and select the Web Account to log in and view your account. Payments must be made by cash or check and mailed or brought in to school. Checks should be written to OSCI Food Service. **Please have your hot lunch balance up to date by March 30.** If you have any questions, or need login information, please contact Carol at derondc@oskaloosachristian.net.

A CAPITOL VISIT!

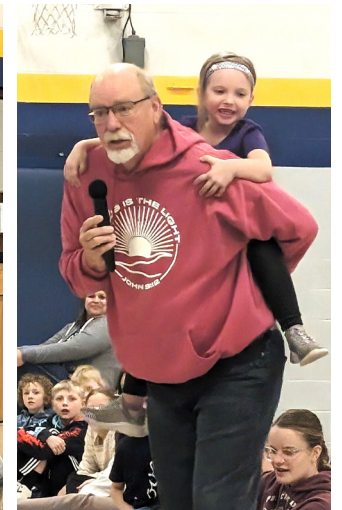
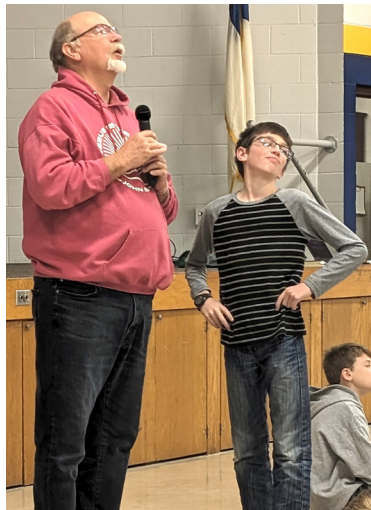
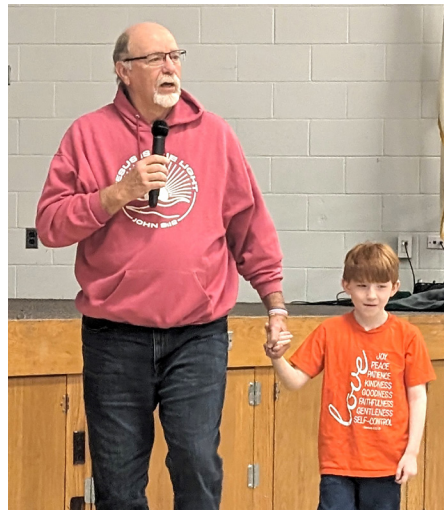
On Tuesday, March 19, the 7th graders toured Terrace Hill in the morning and the Iowa State Capitol building in the afternoon. They were able to meet and talk with State Senators Ken Rozenboom and Adrian Dickey along with State Representative Helena Hayes. Students enjoyed their trip and were able to get a glimpse of the happenings around our state government.



March Chapel



Fruit of the Spirit: FAITHFULNESS



Today we welcomed Joe Brummel, a chaplain from Central College, to give our chapel message. He reminded everyone that God is many things to us. He's our Rock (Lake... "Rock face"), He's our Friend (holding Joey's hand), He's our King (Noah), and He's like a Shepherd who carries us (Astrid on Joe's back). God is never too tired to carry us and will never drop us or leave us. He's always faithful and loves us more than we know. -Mrs. Van Roekel