

Crusader Chronicles



OSKALOOSA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 22	VB Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 25	Mrs. Vander Leest here
Sept. 25	MAP Testing for grades 3-8
Sept. 25	VB game at Osky Public, 4:30
Sept. 26	VB Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 27	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Sept. 27	VB Practice, 2:30-4:00
Sept. 28	VB Game at Twin Cedars, 4:00
Sept. 29	VB Game at Ankeny Christian Academy, 4:00
Oct. 2	No Osky buses all day
Oct. 2	VB Practice, 3:30-5:00
Oct. 3	VB Game at Eddyville High School, 4:15
Oct. 4	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 4	Deadline for Believe Kids Fundraiser
Oct. 5 & 6	No School for Professional Development
Oct. 11	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 18	2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
Oct. 19	Noon dismissal with Osky buses, no school lunch
Oct. 19	Parent/Teacher Conferences 1:00-8:00
Oct. 20	No School, PT Conferences 8:30-noon

REMINDERS



• **IF YOU ARE PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN FOR A 2:15 DISMISSAL, please do not arrive before 2:00!** The SONshine Pre-school students are dismissed at 2:00, and all vehicles waiting for them will be given the first places in car line. OSCI parents should follow the car line to the east around the bus and stop there, waiting for SONshine parents to load first. Once SONshine students are loaded, they will wave the waiting cars to pull forward. Thank you for your cooperation in making our car line safe and effective.

• **Advance Notice:** Our teachers will be attending Professional Development on October 5 and 6. There will be no school on those two days. Wednesday, October 4 we will have our normal 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses.

• **UPCOMING TESTING!** MAP testing will take place next week for students in 3rd-8th grades. MAP stands for Measures of Academic Progress. MAP testing is an online testing platform that will be given three times a year so we can not only track progress from year-to-year, but also within a school year. Data from this testing will be shared with parents at both conferencing times to show how your student is progressing. We will also be conducting MAP testing in January and April.

• **School pictures were taken** of all KK-8th students on September 8. Any students who were absent that day will have the opportunity to have their picture taken on a retake day in a few weeks. We will let you know the date when it's been decided. The pictures taken on September 8 will arrive in approximately three weeks and will be sent home with students. If you have any questions regarding your order, contact B & C School Pictures at www.bcschoolpictures.com.



We are so grateful for the amazing support and participation we have seen with our fall fundraiser! If you have not had a chance to participate,

it is not too late! Registering at www.shopfund.com is super easy and you can share the fundraiser directly with your supporters through your child's dashboard! Family and friends nationwide can help support our school by going to www.shopbelieve.com. Those who order will have the option to have items shipped to their home or they may choose to have them shipped to the school. Keep in mind that if someone wants to order but is uncomfortable with the internet, you can place the order online for them and have them pay you for the order. Please remember that packets with the money included for any sales that were not completed online are due on Oct. 4. Please make sure checks are made payable to OSCI Willing Workers. As it says on the packet, we do NOT want our students to sell to strangers. Watch for more details later about pick up in November! If you have any questions, please contact Kristin Van Zee at 641-660-1972 or vanzee@oskaloosachristian.net. Thank you in advance for your help to raise money for our school! Every order counts!

A school directory will be published soon. If any information for your family is different from your registration form, or if you would prefer not to have your name and information published, please call or email Patti in the office. **If your family has not emailed a family picture, please do so by next Monday,** and include all family names who are in the picture. If you would like to use last year's picture, that is perfectly fine, just let us know.



SHOWING KINDNESS!

The OSCI chapel theme for the 2023-2024 school year is "Fruit of the Spirit". Our focus for September is "kindness". For our chapel project, we put together "God's Survival Kits" to distribute to students and staff at William Penn. Each bag contains the following:

- Gum to remind you God will always stick with you. Hebrews 10:23
 - Tootsie Rolls to remind you God is always there even when you bite off more than you can chew. Psalm 9:9
 - Snickers to remind you that God has a sense of humor. John 15:11
 - Chocolate Kisses to remind you of God's love. I John 4:7
 - Starbursts to give you a burst of energy to continue to walk with God. Colossians 1:29
 - Lifesavers to remind you that Jesus is the lifesaver. John 3:16.
- Each group put together 20 bags giving us a total of 240 bags to give away. All chapel groups walked to William Penn this morning and shared God's goodness.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, Sept. 27: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Oct. 4: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses
- Wednesday, Oct. 11: 2:15 dismissal with Osky buses





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Mackenzie Kane	September 23
Mrs. Jaynee Grafke	September 26
Avery Vander Wal	September 28
Joey Thomes	September 29

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: Sep. 25, Oct. 9 & 23

- There will be no national orders processed the first week of October due to no school October 5 and 6.
- We will be doing 2 national orders per month this year. Order dates will be published in the Crusader Chronicles.
- REGISTER! If you have not registered for TRIP for this school year please do so as soon as possible in the school office. The forms need to be filled out EVERY year!

Did you know your TRIP credit can be used for hot lunch payments and after school care costs? TRIP credits are deposited into school family accounts in May and can be used the following year.

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)



Sept. 25-29

Monday: Corn Dog, Nachos w/cheese sauce, Corn, Peaches, WG Dinner Roll
 Tuesday: Pork Tenderloin on WG Bun, French Fries, Applesauce, Bar
 Wednesday: Ham on Cheezy Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll
 Thursday: Beefaroni, Carrots, Watermelon, WG Cinnamon Squares
 Friday: Homemade Pizza, Baked Beans, Pears, WG Breadsticks w/marinara sauce



THEME SHIRTS!

Theme shirts were sent home with students this week. **Thank you to the Willing Workers** for providing theme shirts for our students and staff every year! Also a **big thanks to Kevin Klucas** for designing them for us again.

Students are required to wear theme shirts on chapel days and other days that teachers request.

You will have the opportunity to order additional theme shirts for your family soon.

Theme shirts are a wonderful way to be reminded of this year's theme and a great way to advertise our school!

FALL SPORTS



Running Cross Country for the Osky Indians are John Steinbach and Jace Brummer.



2023 Volleyball Team: Front row: Leah Spronk, Middle row left to right: Maddison Klyn, Aubrey Kaisand, Alia Crill, Emily Hoksbergen, Kate De Bruin, Josie Hessing. Back row: Coach Colleen Platt, Clara De Boef, Reese Vander Wal, Rachel Groenendyk, Harper McKinney, Tierney Thomes, Olivia Roberts, Lindsay De Bruin



Playing football for Pella Christian Football are Lane Bruxvoort, Dean De Ronde, Anton Boender, and Michael Boender.



Running Cross County for Pella Christian are Olivia De Groot, Adalli Boender, Noah Ruckman, and Joel Pogany.