



CRUSADER CHRONICLES

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September 6, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 6	Volleyball Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 6	Mum and Apparel Orders are due
Sept. 9	TRIP orders due
Sept. 9	Mrs. Vander Leest for TK, 2nd, 5th
Sept. 9	Volleyball Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 10	Volleyball Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 10	PC Middle School Football game vs. Knoxville at Pella Christian High, 4:15
Sept. 11	TK-8th devotions at 8:05-8:20
Sept. 11	2:15 dismissal with Oskey buses
Sept. 12 & 13	Volleyball Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 13	TK-8th Theme Chapel, 8:10, hosted by 8th graders
Sept. 13	Pick up your mum orders!
Sept. 13	Board/Staff/SONshine Social, 6:00 pm
Sept. 16	First Volleyball Home Game! vs. Oskey Public, 4:30
Sept. 16	Mrs. Vander Leest here for 6th-8th
Sept. 16 & 17	SONshine Preschool is wearing Red!
Sept. 17	Volleyball Practice, 3:30-5:00
Sept. 18	TK-8th Devotions 8:05-8:20
Sept. 18	2:15 dismissal with Oskey buses
Sept. 19	Volleyball game at Pella Christian, 4:30
Sept. 19	PC Middle School Football game at Keota High School, 4:15



REMINDERS

•**CAR LINE SAFETY!** Parents, if you are picking up your children after school, please do not park and walk toward school to pick them up. With the increased traffic in our parking lot please use our car line procedure as the best way to keep your children safe. Thank you for your cooperation in making our car line safe and effective.

•**We are still taking names for Room Parent volunteers.** We could use more parents for TK-4th music and 5th-8th music. Call or email Patti in the office next week to sign up!

•**THEME SHIRTS! A BIG THANK YOU to the Willing Workers** for ordering theme shirts for us again this year! They will be arriving soon and we plan to send them home with students next week. **Students, please wear them next Friday for chapel!**

•**Colorful Days!** The SONshine Preschool staff has scheduled 2 days of each month for their students to wear a specific color of clothing. This year the KK-8th students are invited to wear the same color clothing on these designated days. You can begin supporting our SONshine Preschool students by wearing red on September 16 and/or 17!

DIRECTORY: We will again print a school directory this year. If any information for your family has changed since your enrollment, please correct it in FACTS as soon as possible. If you would prefer not to have your name and information published, please call or email Patti at westrap@oskaloosachristian.net. If you have not emailed a family picture, we would love to include one in our directory. Just email it to Patti 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.



Picture Day

School pictures were taken of all TK-8th students today. Any students who were absent today will have the opportunity to have their picture taken on a retake day in a few weeks. We will let you know the date after it's scheduled. Today's pictures will arrive in 3-4 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 or call 641-682-6357.

THEME CHAPELS: We would like to invite parents, grandparents, and friends to attend our monthly student chapels. Our monthly theme chapels will be held on Fridays beginning at 8:10 a.m. and will include all TK-8 students. Our first chapel will be held next Friday, September 13 in the gym with our 8th graders hosting. Chapel guests can enter the south door using the security system. The schedule below lists when each grade will be hosting our chapels this year. We hope you can join us!

8th Grade	September 13
7th Grade	October 18
6th Grade	November 8 (Thanksgiving)
5th Grade	December 13 (includes Parent Christmas Dinner)
4th Graders	January 17
3rd Graders	February 14 (chapel with our Pastors)
2nd Graders	March 28
1st Graders	April 11 (Good Friday Chapel)
TK & K	May 9

↓↓ Deadlines Today!



WILLING WORKERS FIRST FUNDRAISER! Stams Greenhouse is again partnering with Willing Workers to host the annual mum fundraiser. **Orders and payment for mums need to be brought to the school office TODAY!** Mum pick up is on Friday, September 13th from 2:30-5:30 in the school parking lot.

OUR APPAREL STORE is back and bursting with our new logos!! Here is the link to take you directly to the store: <https://www.mcscreenprint.com/online-store/OSKALOOSA-CHRISTIAN-SCHOOL-c170886008>. This link will be shared in today's parent email. **When checking out, please choose the ship/deliver option and then choose the FREE: LOCAL PICK UP.** Your order will be delivered to the school directly. We can then send home with your child or you can pick up in the office. **Last day to order is TODAY!** Orders will be delivered in early October.

BUS SCHEDULE: Mark your calendars!

- Wednesday, Sept. 11: 2:15 dismissal with Oskey buses
- Wednesday, Sept. 18: 2:15 dismissal with Oskey buses
- Wednesday, Sept. 27: 2:15 dismissal with Oskey buses





HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Emily Hoksbergen	September 7
Raegan De Groot	September 8
Avery Mauer	September 8
Kinnick Reisetter	September 10
Ben McDonald	September 10
Mrs. Molly Vander Leest	September 13

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. 9, 23

New this year! Dominos at 8% for ordering and cash & carry!

•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!

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

UPCOMING TESTING!

1) DIBELS testing will be taking place for students in grades K-5 the week of September 16. DIBELS stands for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills. It is a reading assessment that Oskaloosa Christian does three times a year to track reading progress. This has been done over the last several years so this is a continuation of a process that is already in place.

2) MAP testing will take place the week of September 23. 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.

→ **ESA UPDATE!!** We are in the process of billing the state for the first semester tuition. You will receive notice to approve the amount that we billed Odyssey. This amount will be anywhere from \$3400 - \$3913. Many of you have received some STO credits so this is why the amount isn't the same for everyone. Please approve the amount so we can receive the funding from the state. If you have any questions please call our Business Manager, Anne De Bruin at 641-660-9520.

PRAISE & WORSHIP CHAPEL! On the first Friday of the month, our students and staff gather in the gym to sing praises to our amazing and wonderful God. Most often the songs that are used will be included in the next week's chapel. Parents and friends of OC are always welcome to join us on these days from 8:05-8:40 am. Dates will be listed in the Crusader Chronicles.

Our theme for this year is "Running with JOY".

Jesus first

Others second

Yourself last

Theme verse: Philippians 2:1-11 (vs. 3-4 focus)

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others."

Theme Song: "That's Who I Praise", Brandon Lake

Theme Devotion Book: *Everybody, Always* by Bob Goff



HOT LUNCH MENU

(milk provided with every meal)



Sept. 9-13

Monday: Pancakes, Lil' Smokies, Hashbrown Potatoes, Orange Juice

Tuesday: Maidrite on WG Bun, Broccoli w/cheese sauce, Peaches, Bar

Wednesday: Creamed Turkey over Mashed Potatoes, Mixed Fruit, WG Dinner Roll

Thursday: Lasagne, Carrots, Watermelon, WG French Bread

Friday: Bosco Sticks, Green Beans, Pears, Yogurt

Hot Lunch payments need to be made this year through FACTS. To put money into your Food Service account log in to your Family Portal, choose Financial then Prepay Accounts. If you have already submitted a payment by check, it will be applied to your account. If you have any questions, please contact Anne De Bruin at bookkeeper@oskaloosachristian.net.

Parents are always welcome to eat lunch with their children at school. Visitor lunches will be \$4.85. Please call or email the Food Service Department before 10:00 on the day you plan to visit so that enough food can be prepared for everyone. For any questions about Hot Lunch, please contact Carol De Ronde-Richards, our Food Service Director, at derondec@oskaloosachristian.net.

SONshine Preschool Picture Day will be Sept 11/12, with photos being taken by Alan Adams. This is different from Oskaloosa Christian Picture Day. Please send your Preschool Picture Order Form to the SONshine classroom.

The Willing Workers Vendor Fair takes place during our Christmas Cookie & Bake Sale Saturday, December 7th. If you have a home based business and you'd like to have a table at the vendor fair please reach out to MaryBeth Jackson to reserve your spot...641-777-4635.



Friday, September 6

