



Oroville Christian School Newsletter

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From the Head of School

Back in August, as our staff met to plan for the school year, we discussed what it meant to attend Oroville Christian School. Out of that meeting, four core values were developed...Gospel Opportunities (Matthew 28:16-20), Fruits of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23), Love like Jesus (John 13:35), and Community (Philippians 2:2).

Gospel Opportunities

*The Bible is taught...*At OCS, not only is the Bible taught for what it is, the inspired Word of God, but it serves as a foundation for other texts, as well. Students at OCS become familiar with Bible stories at a young age, and the truths in the Bible become more familiar to them as they continue grow and learn. As the inspired Word of God, timeless lessons are brought to life and made relevant for students' lives today. By integrating a Biblical worldview into every subject, students walk away with a better understanding of who they are and how they fit into God's plan of redemption.

*Prayer is part of the school day...*Oroville Christian School encourages prayer and understands it to be a path to a more personal relationship with God. It also strengthens students' relationships with one another. Teachers and students continually pray for each other during challenging times and in good times – providing an inclusive, loving learning environment where everyone feels supported and welcome.

Fruits of the Spirit

*Character formation...*This is a big one. We provide young people a safe and nurturing environment in which they will learn to use the Bible to guide them as they make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes. Our school's curriculum and philosophy can help bridge the gap in an era when character education is so important. Morals, ethics, and character development inform some of the fundamental beliefs and values at Oroville Christian School.

*OCS shares your values...*If your goal is a parent is to provide Biblical foundation for your child, an OCS education is the best option. Spiritual formation and developing the fruits of the Spirit are important components of the program at Oroville Christian School.

Love Like Jesus

*Every teacher models Christian principles...*A child's teacher is an important role model. Your child spends a major portion of the school day under the influence of one or more key teachers. In the OCS classroom, the teachers openly demonstrate and model what it means to be a follower of Christ.

*Curriculum is aligned with Christian values...*While strong academics continue to be at the forefront, concepts learned in the classroom can be viewed through a variety of lenses, including those of the Christian faith. At OCS, the curriculum is scrutinized closely to make sure it aligns with a Biblical worldview.

*Whole Child Development...*The Christian school educational philosophy focuses on a Christian-based education that aims to develop well-rounded individuals. It is our belief that education should develop both intellect and character, thereby equipping students for lives of servant leadership. We seek to inspire and encourage each student to discover and develop his or her God given talents, preparing them for future success.

Community

*Belonging...*Attending OCS provides the opportunity for both the student and the family to belong to a caring community, where everyone shares a unity that is based on care for one another. OCS offers a healthy environment for learning based on authentic relationships, and that education should develop both intellect and character, equipping students for lives of service in this world.

*Positive peer pressure is all around...*Having peers who have similar values helps complete this nurturing environment. Students are expected to reinforce positive habits, as well as positive attitudes. This goes for teachers, too. They are more than just lecturers; they are mentors, sometimes even friends, who truly know their students. This gives them more freedom to individually encourage, support and influence their students – demonstrating that it is okay to try new things, and it is cool to be smart and do what is right.

*Safety...*In addition to physical well-being, OCS offers a safe emotional and spiritual environment. Children are nurtured in a safe, caring environment, modeled by adults. OCS provides a safe avenue for students to express their ideas, explore new things, and most importantly, be themselves.

Soli Deo Gloria.

Mark Bates

RE-ENROLLMENT 2021-2022

February starts the beginning of the re-enrollment process for the 2021-2022 school year at Oroville Christian School. The fee for current students who re-enroll before the end of the month is \$100 per child or \$200 per family. Starting March 1, the fee to re-enroll jumps to \$175 per child, with no family discount. The deadline for current students to re-enroll is March 31.

By taking advantage of the early re-enrollment period, you not only save money, but reserve a spot for your child. As you know, OCS has grown significantly during the past school year and several of our classes are full and have a waiting list. We have started accepting applications from new students for next year. However, we will wait until April 1 to begin admitting new students.

Look for the re-enrollment form to come home with your child or you can find it on our website at www.ocseagles.com.

Important Dates

Friday, February 12 - NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day

Monday, February 15 - NO SCHOOL Washington's Birthday

Thursday, February 18 - OCS Board Meeting, 6 pm

Friday, February 26 - NOON DISMISSAL End of 2nd Trimester

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

This month, the OCS student council is sponsoring a canned food drive competition. Each class will compete to collect the most items. To participate, bring donations of canned fruit, vegetables, beans, and soup, or small packages of coffee, sugar, dry creamer, rice, or pasta. The donations will benefit the Oroville Rescue Mission.

PTPF EAGLE CHALLENGE LUNCH

On Thursday, January 28, six students joined Mr. Bates for lunch, provided by the PTPF. The students were chosen at random from all the students that participated in the PTPF Eagle Challenges in November, December, and January. The students selected for the lunch were Dean Cardwell, Jack Johansen, Elizabeth Moore, Peyton Munoz, Taylor Nelson, and Tristan Nelson.

SECURITY UPDATE

As part of our ongoing efforts to improve campus safety, the next phase in our security plan is set to begin soon. Weather permitting, security fencing that runs the perimeter of the campus will be in place by the end of the month. Future security phases will be the installment of a new, heavy-duty gate, and updates to the security cameras.

And from far away the Lord appeared to his people and said, "I love you people with a love that will last forever. That is why I have continued showing you kindness. Jeremiah 31:3

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