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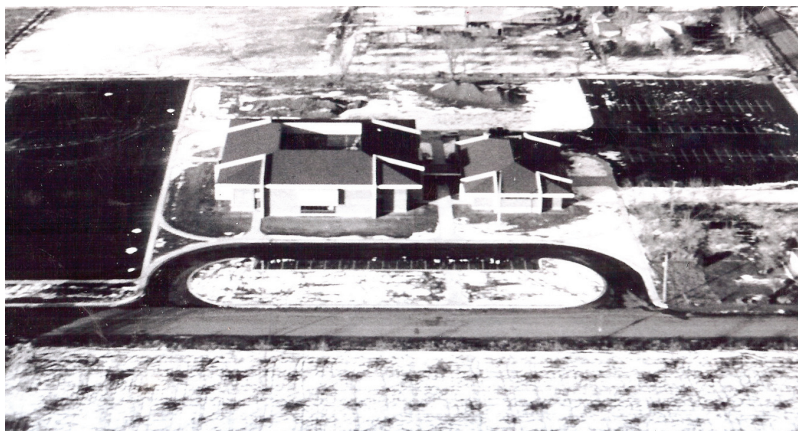


WELCOME TO OREM ELEMENTARY!

*Where Outstanding students with Excellent manners and Superior behavior
show respect and rise to the top.*

*Orem Elementary School is a public school in the
Alpine School District, State of Utah.
Originally designed to be an open-classroom school,
we opened our doors in 1972.*

*Our school colors of maroon and gold are a show of support to
our neighbor, Mountain View High School and
our school mascot is the Bear Cub.*



{An arial photo of the school in the 70's}

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Mr. Davies graduated in 1991 after completing an internship at Orchard Elementary. He was a media specialist at Suncrest Elementary for two years.

He also spent two years in Henderson, Nevada teaching 5th grade.

From 1995 to 2003 he taught 6th grade at Valley View Elementary in Pleasant Grove.

He spent the next year and a half at BYU where he earned his Master's Degree in Educational Leadership.

He taught 3rd grade at Orem Elementary for one year and is entering his 5th year of being Principal at Orem Elementary.

He has been married for 21 years to his wife, Mary, and they have four wonderful sons. Bryan, 19, is in Jamaica for two years. Brandon, 18, is currently attending UVU. Michael, 16, is a junior at Timpanogos High School. Bryson, 14, is a 9th grader at Orem Junior High School.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What a great staff we have here at Orem Elementary. Every one of us cares about the education of your children. We want to make sure that Orem Elementary is a safe and secure place for your child to receive the best education possible. Please become familiar with the following policies, procedures, and school guidelines. Review them with your children before starting school this fall. Doing this will help all of us "rise to the top" and have a safe learning environment. I look forward to a great year!

Mr. Davies, Principal



F a c u l t y & S t a f f



Mrs. Acosta
Lunch



Miss Anderson
3rd Grade



Mrs. Baumgarten
Kindergarten



Mrs. Boles
Music/Art



Ms. Busker
School for Deaf



Mrs. Carroll
Aide



Miss Conover
3rd Grade



Miss Cook
2nd Grade

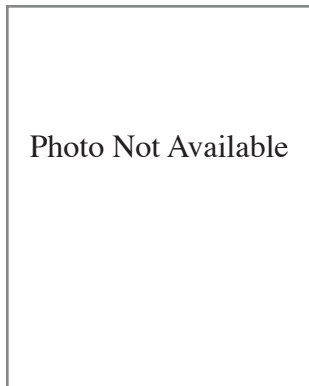


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Mrs. Cram
2nd Grade



Mrs. Ellsworth
School for Deaf



Mr. Fullerton
Aide



Mrs. Griffith
1st Grade



Mr. Herrmann
4th Grade



Mr. Hodson
6th Grade

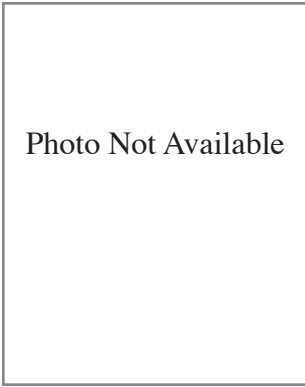


Mrs. Hogue
Lunch Manager



Mrs. Huish
Reading Recovery

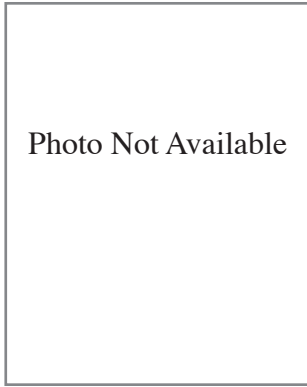




Mrs. Jones
Speech



Mrs. Kendall
Secretary



Miss Kulp
PE



Miss Kunz
School for Deaf



Mr. Mohlman
4th Grade



Mrs. Mortimer
Media Specialist



Miss Munson
2nd Grade



Mrs. Robinson
1st Grade



Mrs. Ruth
School for Deaf



Miss Sloan
4th Grade



Mrs. Smith
Computers



Mrs. Stewart
6th Grade



Mrs. Stewart
Office Aide



Mrs. Walker
5th Grade



Mrs. Ward
1st Grade



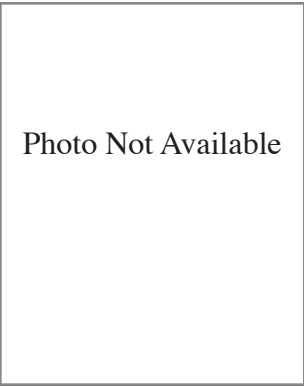
Mrs. West
2nd Grade

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Mrs. Wach
4th Grade



Ms. White
School for Deaf



Mrs. Whitehead
Special Education



Mrs. Whitehead
5th/6th Grade



Mrs. Williams
3rd Grade



Mrs. Williams
Lunch



Miss Williams
Kindergarten



Mrs. Zabriskie
Lunch



POLICIES, PROCEDURES & GUIDELINES

SCHOOL MODEL & SCHEDULE

MODIFIED EXTENDED DAY MODEL

We have adopted the modified extended day model, as of the 2007-08 school year. This gives the opportunity for small group instruction in literacy at the beginning and end of each school day. On Mondays, students arrive at 8:00 or 9:15. The 8:00 students leave at 1:15 and the 9:15 students leave at 2:30. At 2:30 the teachers are able to attend collaboration for one hour. On Tuesday through Friday, the 8:00 students leave at 2:15 and the 9:15 students leave at 3:30. During the school day the 8:00 student receive small group instruction (approximately ½ the class) in literacy from 8:00 until 9:15 and the 9:15 students receive this same instruction from 2:15 until 3:30. We currently have specialty teachers in the areas of Physical Education, Technology, and Music/Art. Students are able to attend these classes twice a week for one hour during the school year. Each specialty is taught for a third of the year.

KINDERGARTEN

We have two kindergarten starting times. Kindergarten students can either come to, or go home from school with their older siblings who are on the p.m. schedule. Times are 9:15 – 12:08 and 12:38 – 3:30.

SPECIAL REQUESTS FROM THE OFFICE

PHONE USE/ CELL PHONE POLICY

School phones are for school business and emergencies only. Please make arrangements with your child about daycare, homework, books, and so forth before arriving at school. Try to avoid calling your child during the school day unless it is an emergency. We try to avoid interrupting class instruction as much as possible. Students will be allowed to call for illness, lunch charges, etc. They will not be allowed to call for permission to go home with a friend, etc.

Cell phones are allowed at school if there is parent approval (a letter needs to be written to Mr. Davies explaining why the child needs a cell phone at school). The cell phone will need to be kept in the "off" position during school hours. It will be used for emergencies only. If there is an abuse of the cell phone, or it is being used during school hours, especially at recess, the phone will be taken until the parents are contacted.

LOST and FOUND

To simplify the return of lost items; we ask that all caps, jackets, mittens, boots, etc. be labeled with your child's name. The lost and found is located in the lower hall next to the kindergarten rooms. Valuable or tiny articles are to be turned into the office. We encourage students to be responsible for their own personal items. Lost items not claimed will be donated to the needy.

PROPERTY DAMAGE

The school has limited funds to replace books and equipment that have been damaged or lost by students. Students are responsible for this school property. The school will pursue reasonable methods to recover the cost of vandalism and loss of school property.



ATTENDANCE

ARRIVAL TIME

District policy states that students are not to arrive at school earlier than 10 minutes before school begins since no formal supervision is provided. If you leave for work early, we encourage you to make needed arrangements for your children with a neighbor or babysitter.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Utah Compulsory Attendance Law directs parents to require their children between the ages of 6 and 18 years of age to attend school unless they have been excused by the Board of Education. Frequent absences or tardies of the students from the day-to-day classroom experiences disrupt the instructional and learning process. The benefits of instruction, once lost, are often difficult to regain. Arriving to class after the bell has rung to start class is a disruption. Parents should notify the teacher through a note or a phone call if their child will be tardy due to circumstances beyond their control. This will help us to provide the needed assistance to your child. Help us teach our students to be responsible in learning to be on time. Continual tardiness will be referred to the principal.

We have noticed that many children are absent from school without an excuse from a parent or guardian or a note from a doctor. Unexcused absences are in violation of "Utah State Compulsory Education Law" (Utah Code, Section 53A-11-101) and the Alpine School District Policy No. 4082.

"It is a class B misdemeanor for the parent of the school-age child to intentionally or recklessly fail to meet with the designated school authorities to discuss the school-age child's school attendance problems; or fail to prevent the school-age child from being absent without a valid excuse five or more times during the remainder of the school year."(53A-11-101.5)

Our goal as a school is provide elementary students with the best opportunities for learning and developing their abilities.

We have trouble doing this when children are absent without an excuse. If you notify us by phone or in writing that your child is or will be absent, and make an effort to obtain schoolwork for your child to make up, you will be helping us meet our educational goals for your student.

Starting immediately, we will be making earnest and persistent efforts to assist you in encouraging your children to attend school consistently. If your child has unexcused absences, we will be, making phone calls, sending you letters and asking for your cooperation in resolving any school concerns your child may be experiencing.

Educating children is a cooperative activity between parents, students and educators. We are looking forward to working with you in this valuable effort. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Alpine School District Attendance Policy please call us at 227-8727.

OUT OF AREA STUDENTS

Families who live or move outside of the school boundaries may elect to send their children to Orem Elementary by completing the "Request for Out of Area Attendance Permit." Children who attend Orem Elementary out of area may lose their privilege to do so based on poor behavior and/or attendance. Also, families who live outside the school boundaries and do not notify the principal are subject to immediate transfer to their resident school.

STUDENT CHECK OUT

For safety and legal concerns, parents MUST come into the school to pick up their children if they need to check them out during school hours. Students will be turned over to their parents or guardians after the parent or guardian has signed the check out log. Please do not ask over the telephone to have your child sent home. Parents should not call to ask that their children meet them outside. Please plan ahead to allow time to check your children out of school. Your understanding of and cooperation with this policy is appreciated.

WITHDRAWAL/TRANSFER OF STUDENTS

If you are moving and need to withdraw your child(ren) from school, please come to the office. The secretary will fill out the transfer form while you check-out with teachers, the library, and the lunchroom. Please note that your new school requires a transfer form when registering mid-year.



CLASSROOM GUIDELINES

CLASSROOM VISITORS

Parents are welcome to visit the school at any time, however, for the safety of our students, please check in at the office first. If you would like to visit a teacher's class, please call and make arrangements in advance. We welcome volunteers in the classroom. We would ask that you sign in at the office and pick up a "volunteer" badge. Occasionally out-of-town cousins or friends come to visit during the school year. These guests are not to accompany students to school. Your cooperation is appreciated.

FIELD TRIPS

Often opportunities arise for learning that extends beyond the school and occasionally classes will go on field trips. Your child's teacher will send home information regarding each field trip and a permission slip. Due to limited funds, the school may request a donation to help finance the trip. It is helpful if students purchase a school lunch if the field trip extends into the lunch period. Special dress and grooming may be required for some trips. Sometimes parents are invited to help supervise during trips. We appreciate this help, but ask that preschool age children do not come along.

HOMEWORK

Homework should be an extension of class work. Assignments should be well planned by the teacher and fully understood by the students. Homework should rarely exceed one half an hour a night in K-3rd grade and 1 hour a night in 4th - 6th grade. Parents can help by giving their children a quiet place and time to work.

CLASSROOM DONATIONS

No student will be excluded from activities if they are unable to make a donation. Each child's teacher may request other donations for classroom materials for special gifts, projects, or field trips. Special projects such as Christmas or Mother's Day gifts are optional activities. The school has a small budget for field trips but we ask for help from our PTA and parents to provide further learning opportunities such as Clear Creek Camp and field trips to Salt Lake City museums, plays and concerts. We will try to keep these requests to a minimum.

STUDENT SUPPLIES

All necessary supplies (pencil, paper, crayons, etc.) will be furnished by the school. We encourage children to have a book bag or a backpack to carry materials to and from school.

BOOK ORDERS

Many teachers distribute order forms to students allowing them to buy books through book companies at reduced prices. If you choose to participate, please write the checks to the specific book company for the exact amount. If you have questions you may call your child's teacher.

TOYS/CELL PHONES/MP3/CD PLAYERS AT SCHOOL

Please do not allow children to bring toys/MP3/CD players of any kind to school, as they pose a distraction. Many times toys are lost or broken by other students. We cannot be responsible when this happens.

Cell phones are allowed at school if there is parent approval (a letter needs to be written to Mr. Davies explaining why the child needs a cell phone at school). The cell phone will need to be kept in the "off" position during school hours. It will be used for emergencies only. If there is an abuse of the cell phone, or it is being used during school hours, especially at recess, the phone will be taken until the parents are contacted.

PETS AT SCHOOL

Pets should not be brought to school without prior approval of the teacher. Parents should take the pet home immediately after showing it to the class. No animals will be permitted on the bus.



SCHOOL LUNCH & BREAKFAST

BREAKFAST and LUNCH

Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria. The cost is \$.85 per meal. Lunch is served in the cafeteria. The cost is \$ 1.50 per meal. Both are available at reduced cost for those who qualify. Payment for meals is welcomed before school. Parents may eat breakfast or lunch with their child for \$ 1.50 and \$ 2.50 respectively. They must pay with cash, as the child's account may not be billed for an adult meal. Those wishing to set up a payment plan for school lunches may call Shauna in the district food services office at 796-3104. If a student is without food or money, they may charge one meal in an emergency. The charge must be paid the following day. Remember, PARENTS, not the school, are responsible for meals. Free or reduced cost of meals is available for those who qualify. To apply for free or reduced meals, households should complete an application and return it to the school or to Alpine School District Office, 575 North 100 East, American Fork, Utah. Application forms are available in the office or at the school district offices. This will ensure that students who qualify to receive benefits will receive them the first day of classes. Those who were on free or reduced lunches at the end of last year will remain on the program for 30 days. Re-application must be made for the families to remain qualified.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

If your child has had an accident or illness and may have to miss 20 or more days of school, he/she may be eligible to be taught at home by a district-hired private teacher. Please contact the school office for additional information.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you or your child has disabilities that require special accommodations please contact the school principal.

TEACHER REQUESTS

We make every effort at Orem Elementary to appropriately place each student and balance each teacher's class load as evenly as possible. We have spent a great deal of time trying to equalize classes by gender, learning style, and total number of students. If you still have concerns please contact Mr. Davies.

POWER SCHOOL

Parents have access to their child's grades at any time day or night. Our school address is <http://south.alpinedistrict.org>. Your user ID is your last name and your password is your child's student number, which you can obtain from the school.



BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES

DISCIPLINE

We want Orem Elementary to be a happy and safe place for all students to learn. For this to be accomplished certain rules of behavior must be enforced to protect the rights of all. Each teacher will set the discipline tone in the classrooms outlining school and class rules that will maintain the standards listed above. If a problem in student behavior occurs, students will be treated fairly but firmly in helping them understand why their behavior is a problem and how they can improve. Fighting, vulgar language, possession of drugs, vandalism, bullying, lying and stealing are not acceptable behavior of Orem Elementary students.

DRESS CODE

When shopping for clothes to return to school we encourage families to remember the Orem Elementary dress code.

- Clothing should fit properly and be weather appropriate.
- Shorts: Shorts or skirts should be longer than the students' fingertips when their arms are at rest at their sides. Bike shorts, cut offs and tight fitting clothing is not permitted.
- Shirts/Tops: Clothing containing vulgarities, profanity, or advertisements for alcohol, tobacco, and drugs are not permitted. Shirts should cover the shoulders completely and should cover the midriff in normal body movement. Shirts should not have large holes for the arms or the neck.
- Shoes: Shoes must have a strap over the heel for safety purposes at PE and recess. If students wear flip-flops, another pair of shoes will need to be brought to school to change into for recess and P.E.
- Hair: Hair that is distracting or in need of constant care or an unnatural color is not permitted. Hats and bandannas are not allowed.
- Ears: Ears are the only body part that may be pierced.

RESPECT

- When appropriate say "Please"; "Thank You"; "You're Welcome"; and "Excuse Me".
- Use appropriate titles to address all adults (Ms., Miss, Mrs., and Mr.)
- Smile and say "Hello" or "Goodbye" when entering or leaving the classroom.
- Trash words and name-calling are not acceptable. Teachers may specify which words are trash words if necessary.
- Look at, listen to, and respond to all adults.

SCHOOL RULES

HALLS

- Walk with silent movement.
- Stay to the right side.
- Use a hall pass or be with a teacher.
- Keep hands to yourself & hold equipment.
- During recess only come in for a drink or to use the restroom and then quickly exit.
- If a parent sends a note for student to be inside during recess, the student must spend recess time in the main hallway only.

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES CONTINUED

LUNCH ROOM/LUNCH TIME

- Use a regular speaking voice - no yelling.
- Find a table seat and stay in it until done (except for needed items) - no standing.
- Properly handle your own food.
- Clean your area, putting litter in trash can.
- Leave any food inside and exit at main doors.
- Students may not leave campus unless they are checked out or have a parent note.

PLAYGROUND

- Stay inside boundaries & away from front of building - no climbing, going around, or between fences on ball fields.
- Bark, snow, & ground cover objects are to stay on the ground (may build with snow).
- Use equipment correctly, following proper game rules - avoid icy areas & no hard balls.
- Avoid physical contact - no tackling at all.

RESTROOMS & WATER FOUNTAINS

- Always flush toilet and wash hands.
- Use equipment appropriately - towels go in trash cans only.
- Use quiet voices - save socializing and playing for outside.
- Use assigned restrooms during recess times. Girls use north, middle. Boys use northeast.

ASSEMBLIES

- Enter gym quietly and orderly - carry chairs.
- Keep hands, feet, and chairs still during assemblies.
- Clap and respond appropriately. No whistling, shouting out, or booing.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Gum is not allowed at school.
- Roller blades, Scooters and Skate Boards are not permitted on school grounds. Students who choose to roller blade to school must remove them and put on shoes prior to entering school grounds.
- Money and valuables should be kept at home. Student desks are not secure places for keeping valuables. Teachers cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen valuables.



HEALTH POLICIES & SERVICES

ACCIDENTS and ILLNESS

An Emergency and Health Information Sheet should be filled out and returned to the office by each family. This information is critical in case of accident, injury, illness, or emergency and should be kept up-to-date. Every effort will be made to contact you or the person you designate to be called on as listed on the health sheet. Please call when changes occur. We will not send a child home during the regular school hours unless he/she has been officially checked out. In extreme emergencies, if we are unable to contact you, the paramedics will be called.

IMMUNIZATIONS

Utah State Law requires all children enrolled in a public school to complete immunizations and have the dates on file before admission to school. This is particularly relevant to kindergarten and new students.

Parents may fill out an immunization waiver form if they choose.

MEDICATION

School personnel cannot give children medication (other than Tylenol) without a "Medication Administration Release Form" completed and signed by the physician. This form is available in the office. Tylenol is only given if parent gives permission.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

If you or your child has disabilities that require special accommodations please contact the school principal.

RECESS

All students are expected to be outside during their recess breaks. In extreme weather conditions (low chill factor, rain, or snow) or as a result of health problems, children will be allowed to remain in the classroom. If you wish your child not to attend recess for health reasons, please notify your child's teacher in writing. If your request is for an extended period of time (over a week), please send a note from a doctor or contact the school nurse. While children may often be allowed to remain in the classroom during bad weather conditions, about the only time all students are required to be in the room is during heavy rain, or extreme cold.

VISION and HEARING SCREENING

Vision screening will be done for all students in September. Students will also be screened for hearing and speech. Parents will be notified of any concerns.

STUDENT INSURANCE

The school does not supply accident insurance for students while they are at school. The Board of Education encourages each elementary student to purchase school insurances unless they are covered by their parent's insurance plan. If you have your own insurance, you must sign the insurance waiver on the bottom of the student health sheet and return it to the office. If you have insurance questions please call 1-800-327-5400 or 1-800-328-2739.



SCHOOL SECURITY & SAFETY POLICIES

CLOSED CAMPUS

We maintain a closed campus. Students should not leave the grounds during school without permission. This does not include going home for lunch. Please send a note to the teacher if you want your child to go home for lunch. Students should not accompany friends home for lunch.

BICYCLES/SCOOTERS

Children may ride bicycles or scooters to school, but neither is allowed in the building. Bike racks are to be used to secure bikes or scooters during the school day. Students should not play near or ride them during recesses or play times.

EMERGENCIES

Sick or injured children: If a child is sick or injured while at school, we will call the parent or individual designated on the “Emergency and Health Information Form” to take the child home. Since we do not have the provisions to take care of sick children for long periods of time, please provide us with accurate information and names of people who could pick up your children and take care of them if needed. The sick room is for temporary accommodation of students. If an emergency creates a situation where our building cannot be occupied due to fire or utility failure, students will be evacuated to the Mountain View High School Gymnasium until such time as they can be returned to our building. In the event of a disaster such as a major earthquake where structural damage to the school and neighborhood homes may occur, the school requests parents to come to the school grounds to pick up their children. Students will remain at school under the care of our faculty and staff until they are safely released to their family.

EMERGENCY RAINBOW EVACUATION PLAN

This neighborhood evacuation procedure would only be used in a “worst case scenario” emergency (for example, a gas leak) that would render our school unsafe for occupancy. In most emergency situations, students would be kept inside our school (severe weather emergency, toxic chemical spill, etc.) until picked up by parents or other designated persons. However, in an emergency that would require students to leave the school, it would be imperative that we get students home as soon as possible. Should a major disaster of this nature occur, parents may have their children walk home or wait at a safe evacuation spot to be picked up. More information and permission slips are available online at www.orem.alpinedistrict.org.

LOADING & UNLOADING OF STUDENTS

The school staff and PTA is concerned about the safety of our front parking lot before and after school. Lines have been painted that will help coordinate the flow of traffic and make student pick-up and drop-off much safer. Please remember and follow the following safety guidelines:

1. Student safety is more important than being on time!
2. Please be courteous.
3. Drive slowly in school zones at all times.
4. Loading Zone: The lane next to the red curb is for loading and unloading students only. NO PARKING is allowed in this zone. Students should be loaded and unloaded only against the red curb. Pull ahead as far as possible to load and unload students.
5. Don't ask students to cross the drive through lane to be picked up or dropped off.
6. Drive Through Zone: No parking is allowed in the drive through lane.

SAFETY TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Please review with your children the importance of being safe on their way to and from school. Students should know which route you want them to take to school. Cross the street only with the crossing guards. Students should obey crossing guards and traffic laws at all times. Students should never run in front of cars or buses. They should not talk to strangers. If someone frightens them, they can run to any house displaying a McGruff sign in the window. Reviewing these rules every few weeks will make this school year much safer.



SCHOOL SECURITY & SAFETY POLICIES

VISITORS

All visitors should check in at the front desk where they are to sign in and obtain an OES lanyard.

SAFE SCHOOLS

It is the policy of Alpine School District to maintain school environments that are conducive to learning. It is the District's intent to maintain a safe and positive atmosphere by prohibiting acts of violence, aggressive behavior, intimidation, possession of weapons, criminal behavior, or gang activity on school property. The Alpine School District Safe Schools Policy prohibits disruptive acts: dangerous weapons; hazing/harassment; abetting; and gangs, secret societies, and hate groups; and the other prohibited acts as defined and described in these rules and regulations.

Disruptive Acts: Acts that disrupt the daily operation of the school include but are not limited to physical or sexual assault, intimidation, aggression, possessing, or displaying a dangerous weapon.

Dangerous Weapon: Any item capable of causing death or serious bodily injury, or a facsimile or representation of the item is prohibited.

Dangerous weapons as deemed by these rules shall include but not be limited to firearms, knives, metal knuckles, straight razors, explosives, and poisonous gases.

Hazing/Harassment: Intimidation of a student or staff member or any act that injures, degrades, or disgraces a student or staff member is prohibited.

Abetting: The act of supporting, encouraging, and/or assisting activities, which violate the Safe Schools policy, is prohibited. **Gang/Secret Societies/Hate Groups** are groups of two or more people who form an allegiance and engage in a range of disruptive behaviors which include violent or unlawful activity or which advocate hatred or discrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, or disability.

Other Prohibited Acts: Students may not participate, be involved with, or demonstrate any of the following:

- Wear, possess, use, distribute, or sell any clothing, jewelry, emblems, badges, symbols, signs, or other things that are evidence of membership or affiliation in any gangs, secret societies, or hate groups.
- Commit acts, or use speech, either verbal or non-verbal (gestures, handshakes, etc.) Showing membership or affiliation in gangs, secret societies, or hate groups.
- Use speech or commit any acts or omissions in furtherance of the interests of the gang, group or society, including, but not limited to 1) soliciting others for membership, 2) requesting persons to pay for protection or otherwise intimidating or threatening any person, 3) committing other illegal acts or other violations of school district policies, 4) inciting other students to act with physical violence upon any other person, 5) defacing school property (books, lockers, walls, etc.)

Students who participate in other prohibited activities described above shall be dealt with in accordance with the procedures outlined in Alpine School District's Rules and Regulations.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Alpine School District is committed to the maintenance of a learning environment which is free of any form of sexual harassment; an environment where students may attend school free of unwanted conduct or communication of a sexual nature; one which is in compliance with the state and Federal laws dealing with this form of discrimination.



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Our Student Education Plan (SEP) conferences will be held October 8 & 9, 2008 and February 4 & 5, 2009. The purpose of these meetings is to focus on the progress your child has made.

PARENT LINK

ParentLink is an automated phone system. This tool is meant to keep you informed and involved in your child's education, including any absences that may occur. When you hear the automated voice on your telephone, please stay on the line and listen to the message.

The ParentLink system is set up to contact you on the day your child has an unexcused absence. Absences recorded as "excused" will not receive a phone call. Please inform the school in advance if you know your child will be absent. Students who arrive late or who are excused after roll is taken each morning may also receive a call.

You will receive important messages and reminders via the ParentLink system. It is set up to make one call per household. If you have listed a different home phone number for each of your children, the system will not recognize them as the same household. It is important that we have the correct phone number for your family.

You may want to call the school and verify that your phone number is accurate (if you find you are not receiving these phone messages). This number will be listed as a primary contact for your student at Orem Elementary. If you have more than one student, please check to see that you have the same home phone number for all of your children.

OREM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

This council is made up of 5 parents, 3 teachers, and the principal to address concerns and work on school improvement. Parents are invited. Contact the school office for a schedule of meeting times and location. If you have any agenda items please get them to the principal.

FAMILY REPRESENTATIVES

To conserve paper, many newsletters, announcements, and information will be sent home with the youngest child at Orem Elementary.

POWER SCHOOL

Parents have access to their child's grades at any time day or night. Our school address is <http://south.alpinedistrict.org>. Your user ID is your last name and your password is your child's student number, which you can obtain from the school.

ALPINE FOUNDATION

Many of our patrons make donations to Orem Elementary School. If you would like to donate to the school or to a particular classroom, you may make the contribution through the Alpine Foundation (756-8403). The Foundation allows you to take a tax deduction for your donation and provides you with a receipt.



PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT CONTNUED

PTA --- PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

The PTA adds strength to our school by donating many hours to provide needed programs during the year. We encourage membership in the PTA by all parents. There is an opportunity at back to school night to join. There are many ways you can be involved, big jobs and little jobs. We can find something that you feel comfortable with. Studies have shown that children who see their parents involved at school take school more seriously and perform better.

2008-2009 Executive Board

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August 2008
Back to School Night

September 2008
Carnival
PTA membership drive

October 2008
Skate Night
Walk to School Day
Red Ribbon Week

November 2008
Family Fun Run and other Family events
Reflections
Math Night
Grandparents Lunch

February 2009
Dads and Donuts

March 2009
Moms & Muffins
Storytelling Festival
Skate Night

April 2009
Science Night
Maturation Clinic (not sure if we want to list this one)

May 2009
Beautification Day
Teacher Appreciation Week
6th Grade Graduation
Field Day



Alpine School District - 2008-2009 AB Calendar

August/September				
M	T	W	T	F
18 A	19 B	20 A	21 B	22 A
25 B	26 A	27 B	28 A	29 B
1	2 A	3 B	4 A	5 B
8 A	9 B	10 A	11 B	12 A
15 B	16 A	17 B	18 A	19 B
22 A	23 B	24 A	25 B	26 A
29 B	30 A			

October				
M	T	W	T	F
		1 B	2 A	3 B
6 A	7 B	8 A	9 B	10 A
13 B	14 A	15 B	16	17
20	21 A	22 B	23 A	24 B
27 A	28 B	29 A	30 B	31 A

November				
M	T	W	T	F
3 B	4 A	5 B	6 A	7 B
10 A	11 B	12 A	13 B	14 A
17 B	18 A	19 B	20 A	21 B
24 A	25 B	26	27	28

December				
M	T	W	T	F
1 A	2 B	3 A	4 B	5 A
8 B	9 A	10 B	11 A	12 B
15 A	16 B	17 A	18 B	19 A
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

January				
M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5 B	6 A	7 B	8 A	9 B
12 A	13 B	14 A	15 B	16 A
19	20 B	21 A	22 B	23 A
26 B	27 A	28 B	29 A	30 B

February				
M	T	W	T	F
2	3 A	4 B	5 A	6 B
9 A	10 B	11 A	12 B	13 A
16	17 B	18 A	19 B	20 A
23 B	24 A	25 B	26 A	27 B

March				
M	T	W	T	F
2 A	3 B	4 A	5 B	6 A
9	10 B	11 A	12 B	13 A
16 B	17 A	18 B	19 A	20 B
23 A	24 B	25 A	26 B	27 A
30 B	31 A			

April				
M	T	W	T	F
		1 B	2 A	3 B
6 A	7 B	8 A	9 B	10 A
13	14	15	16	17
20 B	21 A	22 B	23 A	24 B
27 A	28 B	29 A	30 B	

May				
M	T	W	T	F
				1 A
4 B	5 A	6 B	7 A	8 B
11 A	12 B	13 A	14 B	15 A
18 B	19 A	20 B	21 A	22 B
25	26 A	27 B	28 A	29 B

1st Term
August 18 - October 24
A days = 23
B days = 23
Total days = 46

2nd Term
October 27 - January 9
A days = 21
B days = 21
Tch Comp = 1
Total days = 43

3rd Term
January 12 - March 20
A days = 23
B days = 23
Total days = 46

4th Term
March 23 - May 29
A days = 22
B days = 22
Tch Comp = 1
Total days = 45

August 18 - First Day of School September 1 - Labor Day October 16-17 - Fall Break October 20 - Professional Development Day November 26 - Teacher Comp. Day November 27-28 - Thanksgiving Break December 22 - January 2 - Christmas Break January 19 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day	February 2 - Professional Development Day February 16 - Washington-Lincoln Day March 9 - Professional Development Day April 13 - Snow Make-up Day April 14 - Teacher Comp. Day April 15-17 - Spring Break May 25 - Memorial Day May 29 - Last Day of School
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