



Orem Elementary

PTA Newsletter September 2012

Orem Elementary School - 450 W. 400 S. Orem UT 84058 - 801-227-8727

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER (Early out every Monday)

- 3 Labor Day - No School
- 4 PTA Meeting 9:30; Room 209
- 4 First Day of Tuition Preschool
- 11 School Community Council (SCC)
@ 10:45am
- 12-14, 17 PTA Carnival Ticket sales Before
School- In front & back
- 17 **PTA CARNIVAL!!!**
- 20 Vision Screening @ 9:30;K,1,3& 5
- 24 Minimal Day-
Grades 1-6 Early Birds 8-12:30
Grades 1-6 Later Gators 9:15-1:45
AM Kindergarten 9:15-11:15
PM Kindergarten 11:45-1:45
- 25 School Picture Day

OCTOBER (Early out every Monday)

- 2 PTA Meeting 9:30; Room 209
- 3-4 Book Fair
- 4 AM Common Day (8:00-2:15)
- 4 Walk to School Day
- 4 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 8-10 Red Ribbon Week
- 9 SCC @ 10:45
- 11-12, 15 Fall Break- No School
- 22 Family Skate Night 5:30 – 8:30pm
- 23 Brandon Mull Assembly
- 30 Picture Make-Up Day
- 31 PM Common Day
- 31 Reflections Due
- 31 Halloween Parade

PTA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WOW! It's official... school is in full swing here at OES! We hope you are feeling at home here and that you are all off to a great start! It was so great to see so many familiar faces at Back to School Night and fun to see a whole bunch of new people that we can't wait to get to know. Thank you to all those who were involved in helping out that evening—we are so grateful for the amazing support at our school!

We're very excited for our upcoming school CARNIVAL on Monday September, 17th!! It is truly an AMAZING event and the ONLY fundraiser that we, as a PTA, hold during the school year. Because of this fundraiser we are able to run many great programs that benefit our children and our school. So mark your calendars and join us at the carnival this year where we'll have delicious food--- Texas Roadhouse will be providing a tasty dinner for us again!!, Pizza, Snow Cones, fun game booths, a fabulous bake sale, AMAZING baskets to auction, prizes and much much more. You really don't want to miss this! Invite grandmas and grandpas too! Everyone is welcome!! See you there!

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OES Newsletter & lunch menu
can be found at:

oremelementarypta.blogspot.com

School Website:

<http://orem.alpineschools.org/>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We would like to extend an invitation to all parents to join our PTA and help run the wonderful programs we offer at OES. From helping with our Carnival to getting involved with taking pictures for yearbook - we have a spot for you! Please call or text Amy Chariton at 801-472-1921 or send an email to amychariton@hotmail.com and we'll find the perfect fit for you!

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

We have a wonderful tradition of offering After School Programs here at OES and we'd love to continue this great program. If you are interested in being a part of organizing and running this program please contact Amy Chariton at [\(801\) 472-1921](tel:8014721921). Thank you!

T-SHIRTS, YEARBOOKS & SPIRIT SLEEVES

We will have the Back to School Night forms at Carnival and will be taking ONE LAST order for those who are interested in ordering t-shirts, hoodies or yearbooks for this school year. Please find the attached order form at the end of this newsletter. We will also have Spirit Sleeves to purchase at carnival.

BOX TOPS

General Mill Box Tops for Education drive will be in October again this year. Thanks for your support!

-Vicki Wiesenberg

HOME READING

It's almost time for home reading to start again and we still have room for first grade volunteers. It generally takes 1/2 to 3/4 of an hour once a week and preschoolers are welcome. If this is something you would like to help with, please contact Michele at mherbertmorris@gmail.com. Kindergarten volunteers should have had the opportunity to sign up with your child's teacher, but you can also contact me directly. Thanks. We are looking forward to another great year of reading. --Michele Herbert-Morris

SCHOOL WEBSITE & EMAILS

Check out our school website:

<http://orem.alpineschools.org/>

Please remove any old addresses and bookmark this one. Also, please make sure we have an updated **email address** for your family. This is another great way to stay informed. Miss Bolingbroke sends out regular "OES News and Events" emails, you won't want to miss!

REFLECTIONS

CALLING ALL ARTISTS! The National PTA Reflections Program is one of the largest student arts recognition programs in the country. Wouldn't it be great to be a part of that! The theme this year is "Magic of a Moment" and a flyer will be coming around shortly explaining how your child can submit their artwork. You can also go to this website for information:

<http://www.ptareflections.org/>.

Submissions must be turned in by October 31st.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (SCC)

What is SCC? It is a group of parents, teachers and the principal who help to develop a school improvement plan and a School Land Trust Plan among other important responsibilities. Over the past 5 years we have spent over \$100,000.00 on academic school improvement. It is a marvelous opportunity to be part of an advisory group whose purpose is to make schools great! School improvement is the responsibility of everyone, from students and parents to professionals and public officials. We want YOU to be a part of it! SCC meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in room 209 at 10:45 a.m.

Please refer to the school website for a list of members of the council. We would love to have more parents enjoy the opportunity of serving with us! Please contact Angela Seegmiller [\(801\) 802-9513](tel:8018029513) or angela.seegmiller@gmail.com.

FLEX

FLEX is Tuesday-Friday from 1:10-2:10. We need parent volunteers to help with different FLEX activities. The possibilities are endless.

Come be a flex volunteer once a week or once a month (as a "regular") or if all you can help with is one time, that's great too! If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mindy Harmon.

Email: harmonites@aol.com Phone: [801-765-4819](tel:8017654819). We need your help!

SAFETY

As parents, you experience pressures and concerns not faced by previous generations. Despite these challenges, many parents make heroic efforts to raise healthy children in safe environments despite uncertain times. **Child safety** becomes paramount. PTA offers you several tools to help you gauge potential risks and advice on giving clear instructions to your children on how to avoid such risks. You can gather more information and help on the PTA website by visiting: http://www.pta.org/topic_child_safety.asp. We also encourage you to stay alert and aware of offenders in our area by visiting:

<http://www.corrections.utah.gov/services/sonar.html>

Let's all have a wonderful and SAFE year at OES!

CLASSROOM EMERGENCY KITS

School has started, which means time to replenish the emergency kits in each classroom. Our parents are the reason we can keep these kits up-to-date and fresh. If each family donates a little, we will have enough for each class. Please send one of the following item(s) with your child for his/her class emergency kit: A box of Capri Suns, fruit snacks, granola bars, fruit roll-ups, teddy grahams, beef jerky, jolly ranchers, or lifesavers. (all items in their packaging) FYI...Any class with a nut allergy situation, will be given non-nut items for their emergency class kit. Send ALL food item donations to your child's class **by Friday, September 7th**. If you have any questions, see the principal or PTA president. We appreciate your help!