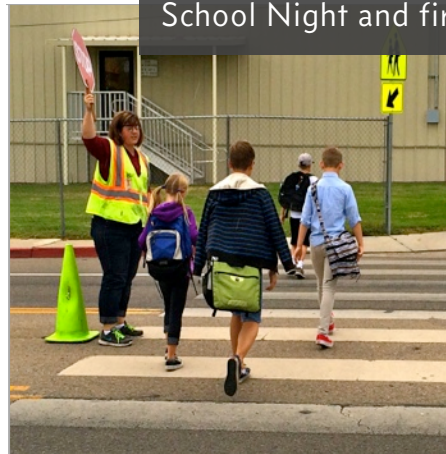


OES Cubs and parents had a great Back-to-School Night and first day of school.



## Calendar

### SEPTEMBER

- 15 Early-Out Monday
- 16 School Community Council, 10:45 a.m.
- 22 Early-Out Monday  
OES Carnival, 4 to 7 p.m.
- 25 Last Day of Walk More in Four
- 29 Early-Out Monday
- 30 School Pictures

### OCTOBER

- 1 PTA Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- 1-3 Book Fair
- 2 AM Common Day  
PT Conferences, 3-7:30 p.m.
- 11 Make-A-Wish Fun Run, 9 a.m.

## PTA President's Message

It was great to meet so many of you at Back to School night! Thanks for signing up to help with our programs, and thanks to those who joined PTA!

The goal of PTA is "to make every child's potential a reality."

That is a challenging goal, and even if we don't have time to do something huge, we can find small ways to make a difference: a smile, a kind word, a note of appreciation, or even volunteering an hour a week--or month or year if that's what you can do.

Everyone's part is appreciated, so let's have a great year!

**Jill Judd**

## Fall Carnival

One of the biggest events of the year for OES and the PTA is just around the corner. The Fall Carnival, Tuesday, Sept. 22, from 4 to 7 p.m., has everything an OES Cub or their parents could want: games, face-painting, items for auction, and treats and food for purchase.

Ticket sales begin Sept. 17, and the proceeds go to support our PTA. We hope to see you there!

## Best of OES

Jaron Dodge

and Cris Vera, our full-time custodians, always have a smile and are willing to help. They worked extra hard to get the school ready for this year, taking care of floors and carpets, changing filters, replacing light-bulbs, and placing flowers and pots in front of the school. You two are the Best of OES!



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### PTA Mission Statement

The PTA at Orem Elementary School will help every child realize his/her full potential and will:

- Advocate** - Support and speak on behalf of children and youth.
- Involve** - Encourage positive involvement in all facets of a child's life.
- Develop** - Assist in developing skills to raise and protect children and youth.

## Miss B's Monthly Minute



### 212°: The Extra Degree

is our theme for this year. It reminds us that seemingly small things can make tremendous differences.

At 211°, water is hot. At 212°, it boils. With boiling water comes steam. And steam can power a locomotive. One extra degree makes all the difference.

One extra degree of effort in school, business and in life separates the good from the great!

The margin of victory between an Olympic gold medal and no medal at all is extremely small. In the 2004 men's 800-meter race, the margin of victory was 0.71 seconds! Remember to go the Extra Degree in your school-work, at home, and with friends by having an extra degree of kindness, attitude, focus, belief and perseverance.

It's your life. You are responsible for the results. It's time to **turn up the heat!** To get what we've never had, we must do what we've never done. Let's go the extra degree, OES!

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Make it a great day—or not.  
The choice is yours.



OES rolled out the red carpet for students on the first day of school Aug. 19.

## Walk More in Four

Walk or bike to school three times a week for four weeks, beginning Tuesday, Sept. 2. Pick up progress charts that day and return them Thursday, Sept. 25.

Besides the reward of better air and health, students will be entered to win bikes, helmets, and scooters from UDOT. The class with the most participation will win a smoothie party!

## Fundraiser for A's

No, not the Oakland A's; this is for the A's that students earn on their report cards!

Thompson Orthodontics will donate \$1 to OES for every A that students earn if they send them confirmation of their grades via e-mail. How cool is that?

## Box Tops for Education

Save box tops for education, they help our school earn money. The classroom box-tops contest will be in October.

## Parents: Sign in please!

When you come to visit or help out in a classroom or have lunch with your OES Cub, please make sure to first sign in at the office. Thank you!

## Battle of the Books

It's not till spring, but it's not too early to get pumped for Battle of the Books! Look up the standard book list for Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 at [www.battleofthebooks.org](http://www.battleofthebooks.org).

## School-District App

Get the Alpine School District app. Access grades, attendance, meal menus, school calendars, and more! Click [here](#) to download it today.

## After-School Program

PTA After-School Program sign-ups will take place by the gym Sept. 10-11 at 2:15 and 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$30 per class, and classes go from Sept. 15 to Dec. 15, Monday through Friday after Early-Bird and Later-Gator dismissal times.