

# OCJH PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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## EVENTS 11/21-12/4 (SCHOOL EVENTS, PTA EVENTS, HOLIDAYS)

### 11/28-12/4 (B-WEEK)

### 12/5-12/11 (A-WEEK)

28 OCJH Boys' Basketball @ PGJR 3:00-4:30  
28 OCJH Girls' Basketball vs. PGJR 3:00-4:30  
29 Boys' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym  
29 Girls' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym  
29 ASD Board Meeting 6:00-8:00 @ District Office  
30 Boys Basketball Practice 12:30-3:15 in the Gym  
30 Girls' Basketball Practice 3:15-5:50 in the Gym  
30 Ballroom Concert 7:00-8:00 in the Auditorium  
1 German Class to Christkindlmarkt  
1 Boys' Basketball vs. Viewpoint 3:00-4:30  
1 Girls' Basketball @ Viewpoint 3:00-4:30  
2 Preliminary Spelling Bee 12:45-1:45 in the Library  
2 9th Grade Dance 7:00-9:00

5-16 Sock Drive and Coat Drive (More info TBA)  
5 Girls' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym  
5 Boys' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym  
5 Choir Christmas Concert 6:00 & 7:30 PM Auditorium  
6 Boys' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym  
6 Girls' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym  
7 Hope Squad and Student Council Field Trip  
7 Boys Basketball Practice 12:30-3:15 in the Gym  
7 Girls' Basketball Practice 3:15-5:50 in the Gym  
7 Band Concert 6 PM  
8 Boys' Basketball vs. Orem Jr. 3:00-4:30  
8 Girls' Basketball @ Orem Jr. 3:00-4:30  
9 Girls' Basketball Practice 2:20-4:10 in the Gym  
9 Boys' Basketball Practice 4:10-5:50 in the Gym  
9 Orchestra Concert 6 PM

## MESSAGE FROM MRS. ROSS



WE COME TO SCHOOL  
READY TO LEARN

WE ORGANIZE OUR MATERIALS  
AND TIME

WE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE  
AND DO OUR BEST

WE SEEK INNOVATIVE  
SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS

WE CONTRIBUTE TO  
OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

*For the next few months we will be focusing on the second of our three Oak Canyon values: COMMITMENT. This is the perfect value to focus on as we prepare to wrap up Term 2 on December 16th. We have noticed patterns of absenteeism as well as tardiness in students that definitely impact their learning. We want every student to be here every day--we are committed to seeing them succeed! Parents, we appreciate your support in helping your students get to school on-time each day, despite frustrating parking lot delays. Coming prepared with classroom materials and putting forth one's best effort no doubt also contribute to academic success. Students, please take the initiative to check your grades in Skyward, to talk to your teacher about any missing assignments or concerns about your grades while there is still time to fix them. If you haven't had a chance to check out the new ASD app for androids (download app on Google Play) or for iphones (download in the app store)--I highly recommend it for parents and students! It is an efficient and effective way to keep track of grades as well as attendance! Check it out!*

## NEW INFORMATION:

### FROM THE OCJH PTSA:

#### PTSA Eagle Discount Cards

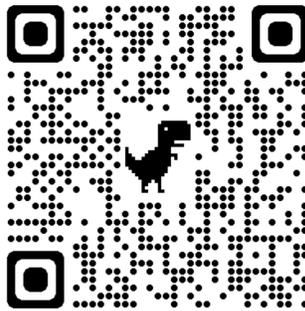
PTSA Eagle Discount Cards make great gifts! Pick up an Eagle Card at the finance office or at one of the evening concerts in December. There are many amazing discounts at your favorite businesses for only \$10!!

#### Support PTSA With Every Amazon Purchase

With holiday shopping just around the corner, a great way to support the PTSA and the student programs here at Oak Canyon is by signing up for Amazon Smile. There is no simpler way to support our school! If you haven't already done so, please log in to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and choose PTA Utah Congress Oak Canyon Jr High PTSA as your charity. You can now set up Amazon Smile in the Amazon app as well!

### OCJH SPELLING BEE

Preliminary Spelling Bee on December 2, 2022 is open to all 7th and 8th grade students and will be multiple choice with the top spellers going on to the Final OCJH Spelling Bee in January. Follow this link to register for the Spelling Bee and for practice helps: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NTA0NDUwMDY4MjQy?cjc=cs54pah> . You can also sign up using this QR code:



### 9TH GRADE DANCE DECEMBER 12 @ 7 PM

This Friday, December 2, we have a night dance for our 9th graders from 7-9 PM. Here are the details:

- Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at the finance office this week as well as at the door on Friday night.
- Students will need to bring their receipt or their student ID to get into the dance. Students from other schools are not allowed to attend this event.
- Dress is Sunday Best and in alignment with the Oak Canyon dress code policy.
- Light refreshments will be served

### HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT OPPORTUNITIES

In years past, there has been a Penny Wars service project in December the proceeds of which were used to purchase gift cards for Oak Canyon students in need during the holiday season. We are mindful of the current financial situations of many of our patrons and literally do not want to nickel and dime them right before Christmas. Therefore, Penny Wars is being moved to the beginning of February for a different purpose. Our staff

has decided to conduct a faculty service project amongst ourselves to fund this gift card tradition to benefit students in need at Christmas. *We are opening up this opportunity to donate to the community at large, if you are so inclined.* To make a donation, you can visit My School Fees and select "Holiday Donation" (or click on this link: [Holiday Donation](#)) and enter an amount of your choosing. Donations will be accepted until December 14th. Thank you for any contribution you are able to make along with the OCJH faculty and staff to this great cause! Please note that there will be two donation drives for clean and gently used clothing items, particularly socks and coats, December 5th-16th. More information will be included in next week's newsletter.

## REMINDERS:

### BRANDON MULL CANDY SHOP WAR 3 BOOK RELEASE PARTY 11/30 @ MVHS

ALPINE SCHOOL DISTRICT LIBRARIANS & SHADOW MOUNTAIN PUBLISHING PRESENT

# BRANDON MULL

FREE TICKETED EVENT

FREE TICKETS @ [SHADOWMOUNTAIN.COM/BRANDONMULL](http://SHADOWMOUNTAIN.COM/BRANDONMULL)

@ MOUNTAIN VIEW HS AUDITORIUM, OREM, UT

**NOV. 30<sup>TH</sup>** DOORS OPEN: 5:30p  
PRESENTATION: at 6:30p  
SIGNING: at 7:30p  
NO TICKETS NEEDED FOR SIGNING

**PRESENTATION • SIGNING • PRIZES • BOOKS • FAMILY FUN!**

**PREMIERE** VIEWING OF THE CANDY SHOP WAR 3 TRAILER

**WIN** ADVANCED READERS COPY OF CANDY SHOP WAR 3

**FREE TSHIRT** WITH PURCHASE OF FABLEHAVEN BOXSET

SCAN FOR DETAILS

SHADOW MOUNTAIN ALPINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

also meet CAMRON WRIGHT Young Readers' Editions of his award-winning novels are now available

## OCJH CELEBRATES THE WORLD CUP FACILITATED BY WORLD LANGUAGE DEPT

"The power of national representation is, by no means, unique to soccer. But the World Cup manages to elicit a more passionate, fervent and almost religious-like following from more fans around the planet than any other event, including the Olympics." Oak Canyon students have the opportunity to celebrate the World Cup this year. There are a few ways that students can participate:

1. Students could create their own tournament brackets to keep track of matches and cheer for their favorite teams.

2. Students can collect buttons from the teachers of each of the languages taught at OCJH by learning their subsequent chants and saying them to the teacher(s) of that language.
3. Watch some games!
4. Wear your team's jersey to school on Fridays.
5. Sign up for a World Language next year!

## ASD RISE NOMINATIONS

Do you know a teacher or school employee who is **Remarkable**, **Inspiring**, **Selfless**, and/or **Encouraging**? Please nominate them for the new ASD RISE Award. Nominees will be recognized at their school, and a few each month will be selected for Board Recognition during a Board meeting at the District Office. Click [here](#) to access the nomination form.

## OCJH AFTER SCHOOL CONNECTION ACTIVITIES

Oak Canyon offers a variety of after school connection activities. Click on the following link to see the complete list: [OCJH AFTER SCHOOL CONNECTION ACTIVITIES 22-23](#)

