

Oak Run Warriors



If you want
a child's
mind to
grow, you
must first
*plant a
seed.*

Dates to Remember:

MONDAY'S ARE MINIMUM DAYS – DISMISSAL AT 1:45 PM

Wednesday 3/11/20 – Regular Board Meeting 3:00 pm

Thursday 3/12/20 – Pi Night 4:30-7:00 pm

Tuesday, 3/17/20 – St. Patrick's Day

4/6/20-4/13/20 - Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**

Every Friday is **SPIRIT DAY!** Wear school **teal** and grey or Oak Run T-Shirts



Oak Run Elementary School

~ A Public Montessori School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Oak Run Elementary School Families,

Goodbye to the families, students and staff of Oak Run Elementary School. Thank you for inviting me into your children's lives, your school, and your community. My time and the connections that I have made while serving the district have been life changing. You have provided me the opportunity to grow as a leader while building a great team of educators and educational programs. While there is much work to be done at Oak Run School, I feel confident that, under new leadership, the staff and board will continue to reach the goals we have set.

As I said in the assembly today, I will be looking out for Oak Run in my new role and Oak Run School and its community will always hold a special place in my heart.

In deepest gratitude,
Sue Cooper

We are looking forward to a double session of **Saturday school tomorrow, February 29 ~ Leap Day!** from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, with free breakfast and lunch at 8:00 and 12:30 pm. Ms. Zollars will be the teacher-in-charge and the class will be held in room 5. Ms. Zollars will be serving breakfast and lunch.

Thank you families, students and teachers for your help and dedication. By working together we can improve student learning and improve our attendance numbers to help save important funding for our school.

We will hold Saturday school every Saturday through May 30, 2020.

All three of our credentialed teachers have offered to work in rotation for these make-up days. *Please note that bussing services are not available for Saturday school.*

If your child has missed **any** days of school, and you would like them to participate in our Saturday school sessions, please contact the office or myself to save your spot. Please call or stop by if you have questions about our funding situation or Saturday school.

Thank you all in advance for your help!

Parent Involvement: All parents and community members are welcome to attend our monthly Board Meetings and School Site Council/District Advisory Committee meetings. Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the ORES D Office. Our next regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11 and our School Site Council/District Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, March 18 at 3:00 PM. Both meetings are held in the ORES D Office.

Community Involvement: Oak Run Community Newsletter (formally known as the Acorn) is seeking business owners to purchase advertisement space. Please contact Cindy Shaw for more info or to place an ad!

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Preschool News

Week of February 24, 2020

Last Friday Oak Run School received a special visit from Haven Humane Society, the animal shelter in Redding. The folks from Haven gave a presentation all about pets. We learned ways to be safe around dogs, and how to care for our pets by providing them with food, water, shelter, exercise and love. Haven Humane Society visits local schools to promote their fundraiser called Pennies for the Pups. Oak Run School is collecting pennies (and other change...and dollars too) to benefit Haven Humane during the entire month of March. I have reminded our preschoolers they must ask their parents before bringing money to school.

With pets on our mind, we have been reading about pet care, animal shelters and types of pets. Our preschoolers created paper pets.



Mr. Adam's TK- 2nd Grade Class

MONTESSORI
FOR ALL

One of my favorite things about a Montessori education is the emphasis on multiculturalism. Even Share Day is a chance to study another culture. So, it's a Montessori guide's dream when artifacts from other cultures arrive, like a shield from Africa!



Ms. Anne's 3rd-5th Grade Class
Upper Elementary



At Oak Run, almost no week is ever an ordinary one.

This week is unique in a painful way, as we say goodbye to our tireless leader, Ms. Sue. We've been blessed to have her guidance and support all this time, and we congratulate her on leveling up to a position where she'll still be looking out for our school--and more!

This week, ask your child about honesty. What are some different ways of being honest and dishonest? In particular, what is an honest day's work?

Perhaps if you show them the lyrics, they'll be able to remember and sing our new song:

Say what you mean,

be who you are,

come through on what you say you'll do,

learn as you go

and finish what you start--

these are some ways of being true.

Ms. Zollars' 6th-8th Grade Class



Middle School CLASSROOM NEWS



Dear Families,

As a math class this week, we've passed 29 i-Ready lessons, mastered 84 IXL skills, and a variety of practice in books and homework. We've written our 3rd book report, individual history reports, and finished *The Outsiders* (stay gold, Ponyboy!). We analyzed a poem, a baseball article, some vocabulary, a bunch about *The Outsiders*, took a science quiz, and finished that Rome history pocket project! To celebrate, we dressed as Romans Friday! The students were ingenious in their use of cardboard. I hope to see some of you at **Saturday school!** Contact me with any concerns,

Michele mzollars@oakrunschool.org

"Loveliest of Trees"

Loveliest of trees, the cherry now
Is hung with bloom along the bough,
And stands about the woodland ride
Wearing white for Eastertide.
Now, of my threescore years and ten,
Twenty will not come again,
And take from seventy springs a score,
It only leaves me fifty more.
And since to look at things in bloom
Fifty springs are little room,
About the woodlands I will go
To see the cherry hung with snow.

--A. E. Housman. 1859–1933





After-school programs

Academic Tutoring - Ms. Zollars in Room # 5 and Ms. Lisa in Room #4

Wednesdays 2:45 -3:15 and Thursdays 2:45 -3:15

Garden Club - Mr. Adam Room in Oak Run School Garden or Room # 1

Wednesdays 2:45 -4:00 and Thursdays 2:45 -4:00

Music Lessons - Ms. Becky in Room # 3

Tuesdays - Keyboard 2:30 -3:00 or Ukulele 3:00 -3:30, 3:30 -4:00

Fridays - Ukulele 2:30 -3:00 or Keyboard 3:00 -3:30, 3:30 -4:00

Theatre Club – Ms. Anne in Room # 6

Thursdays 2:45-4:00

Permission slips are available in the main office or by the activity instructor.

Please feel free contact the instructors with any questions or concerns.

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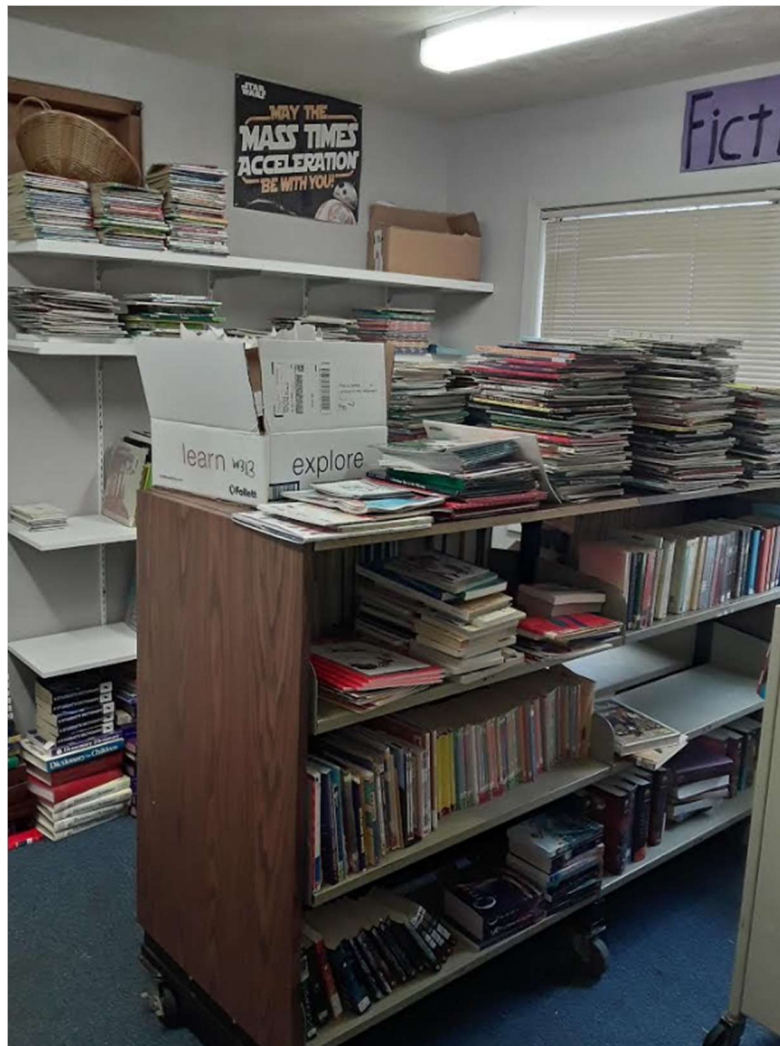
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LIBRARY

Library in Progress!

Over the past few weeks, work has begun revamping the Oak Run School library. We have registered with an online cataloging system, so students will be able to search for any book we own online. We have a new scanner and barcode system so that every book will be easy for students to check in and out. Work is under way to reorganize what books are in the library and also to order new, up-to-date fiction and non-fiction titles. We are excited to get things up and running for students to use by the end of the year.

~Hope Zollars





Week of March 2nd – March 6th

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
B: Ham & Cheese Omelette or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Breakfast Pizza or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Eggs & English Muffin or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Bagels & Cream Cheese or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: French Toast or Cereal with Fruit & Milk
L: Chili, Cornbread and Green Salad with Fruit & Milk	L: Meatball Sandwich, Green Salad and Zucchini with Fruit & Milk	L: Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla, Refried Beans and Bell Peppers with Fruit & Milk	L: Hamburgers, French Fries and Green Salad with Fruit & Milk	L: BBO Chicken Pizza and Green Salad with Fruit & Milk

*Breakfast is served with 1 cup of fresh fruit, lunch is served with ½ cup of fresh fruit and all meals are served with 8 oz. 1% or fat-free milk.



OAK RUN ELEMENTARY

A Public Montessori School

Our preschool is under Title V regulations with the state preschool program code of education

Oak Seed Preschool

Currently - must be 3 on or before September, 2018

Next year - must be 3 on or before December 2, 2019

Is now accepting

Private pay - must fill out paperwork, but not income eligibility info - can start as soon as age 3-

Enrollment applications

Title 22 - sliding scale/Full pay Student must be 3 to start/can start any time during the school year as long as they are 3 and potty independent

for the 2019-2020

school year!

Apply online at

www.shastacoe.org

or

43 Hilltop Dr, Redding

(530) 225-2999

PreK-8th Grade

Come Join Us!



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OAK SEED PRESCHOOL FOR AGES 3-5

Our students appreciate the traditions and pride of the community. Come and visit our school where students are safe, respectful, responsible and productive. We always have room for you!

Our new preschool director's years of experience combined with Mr Adam's expertise in designing an AMI primary Montessori environment have created an outstanding program for children aged 3-6.

Application information:
43 Hilltop Drive, Redding
530-225-2999 • shastacoe.org



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ATTENTION 4th GRADE PARENTS



HOME

HOW IT WORKS

GET YOUR PASS

PLAN A TRIP

Rules and instructions

Official rules

- The pass is for U.S. fourth-grade (or home-school equivalent) students.
- The pass is for the 2019 to 2020 school year. It expires August 31, 2020.
- Students can't transfer the pass to anyone else.
- We can't accept electronic versions of this paper for access or to exchange for a pass.
- No refunds are given for previously purchased passes, or if you forget your pass when you visit.
- If you lose your pass, get a new one by visiting the website and signing up again.
- Educators can get one paper pass for each of their fourth-grade students.
- This program only provides passes for fourth graders.

How it works

- Show your pass to a ranger when you enter. If there is no ranger, leave it on the dashboard of your car.
- If you visit a site that charges entrance fees per person— The pass admits all children under 16 and up to three adults for free.
- If your group visits a site that charges vehicle entrance fees - The pass admits all children under 16 and all adults in up to one passenger vehicle. Commercial vehicles can't use a pass to get in.
- If you arrive at a site on bicycle— The pass admits all children under 16 and up to three adults on bicycles.
- The pass doesn't cover things like parking fees, camping, boats, and special tours. Also, some sites are managed by private operators. They may not honor the pass. Check with the site ahead of time to find out.
- The pass doesn't cover fees for local, city, or state parks and recreation areas unless they say that they accept this pass.
- Paper passes can be exchanged for plastic passes at certain sites.

Did you know that fourth graders, who participate in the Every Kid Outdoors program, are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit? The Every Kid Outdoors program introduces 4th graders to the public lands in their own backyards and beyond. To receive a free Christmas tree permit, 4th graders with the help of their parents, need to visit the website www.everykidoutdoors.gov and follow the steps to obtain their pass. Once complete, they can download and print their pass.

Teachers may also visit the website and download lesson plans to complete with their 4th grade students and print passes for them. Fourth graders must then accompany a parent to any Shasta-Trinity National Forest office in order to receive their free Christmas Tree permit.

Permits may be purchased through mail or by going to the Shasta-Trinity National Forest Headquarters off of Avtech Parkway, Shasta Lake Ranger Station in Mountain Gate, Mt. Shasta Ranger Station, McCloud Ranger Station Weaverville Ranger Station, Harrison Gulch Ranger Station, and Hayfork Ranger Station.

Please go to www.fs.usda.gov/stnf for more information or call (530) 226-2500.

INTERESTING FACT: Did you know that the Christmas Tree that will be placed at the Sacramento Capitol came out of the Shasta County from the Latour Mountain Demonstration Forest (located between Shingletown and Whitmore). [Article link](#)



Concerned your teen might vape?

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Stop by any time)

Sequoia Middle School-McLaughlin Auditorium

1805 Sequoia St., Redding

Come to this **FREE** event to:

- Discover products popular with teens
- Identify signs of nicotine use
- Learn the damage nicotine has on the teen brain
- Access programs to help your teen quit

Featuring speakers from:

Athletes Don't Vape, Shasta County HHSA,
California Youth Advocacy Network, and other community experts.

Registration is required!

[Click here to register](#)

For more information, contact Marie Hyres at 225-0241.



ATTEND TO ACHIEVE

ABSENCES ADD UP



Did You Know?

Starting in Kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.

Missing 10% (18 days) can make it harder to learn key skills, like reading.

Absences can affect the whole classroom.



What You Can Do

Don't let your child stay home unless he/she is truly sick. Keep in mind that complaints of tummy aches may be a sign of anxiety; talk to your child's teacher or counselor.

Avoid extended trips when school is in session; consult the school calendar to see when breaks occur.

Set up a regular bedtime as well as morning and evening routines.



When Do Absences Become a Problem?

Chronic absence: Two or more days per month (excused and unexcused)

Warning Signs: One-two days per month or more than three days in a row.

Satisfactory: One or fewer absences per month.



New CDE Mobile App Helps Families Find Summer and Afterschool Meal Program Locations

THE CDE'S CA MEALS FOR KIDS HAS JUST RELEASED A MOBILE APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO FIND THE CALIFORNIA'S SUMMER AND AFTERSCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS SITES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. THESE PROGRAMS PROVIDE NO-COST MEALS TO CHILDREN AGED EIGHTEEN AND UNDER. FAMILIES, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL CAN USE LOCATION-BASED SEARCHES TO FIND MEAL SITES, DATES, AND TIMES. THE APP ALSO ALLOWS FOR SEARCHES BY SITE NAME, ZIP CODE, AND CITY.

The CA Meals for Kids mobile app is available for free download through Apple's [App Store](#), Google's [Play Store](#), and Microsoft's [App Store](#) Web pages. More information is available on the CDE [CA Meals for Kids Mobile Application](#) support Web page.

QUESTIONS: CDE MOBILE APPS | CDEMOBILE@CDE.CA.GOV

ATTENDANCE in the early grades

Many of our youngest students miss 10 percent of the school year—about 18 days a year or just two days every month. Chronic absenteeism in kindergarten, and even preK, can predict lower test scores, poor attendance and retention in later grades, especially if the problem persists for more than a year. Do you know how many young children are chronically absent in your school or community?



Who Is Affected

Kindergarten and 1st grade classes often have absenteeism rates as high as those in high school. Many of these absences are excused, but they still add up to lost time in the classroom.

1 in 10 kids in kindergarten and 1st grade are chronically absent. In some schools, it's as high as 1 in 4.¹



- 2 in 10 low-income kids miss too much school. They're also more likely to suffer academically.²
- 2.5 in 10 homeless kids are chronically absent.³
- 4 in 10 transient kids miss too much school when families move.³



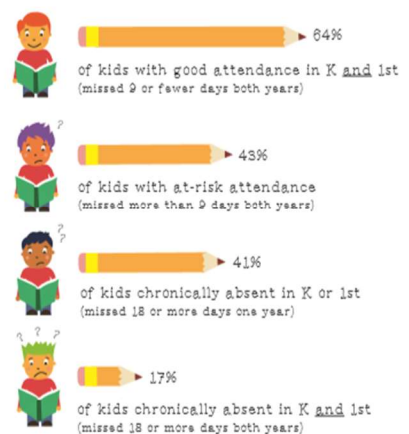
¹ Chang, Hedy; Romero, Mariajose. *Present, Engaged and Accounted For: The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades*. National Center for Children in Poverty. NY: NY, September 2008.
² *Chronic Absence in Utah*. Utah Education Policy Center at the University of Utah, 2012.

Why It Matters

If children don't show up for school regularly, they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3rd grade.

Who Can Read on Grade Level After 3rd Grade?³



³ *Attendance in Early Elementary Grades: Association with Student Characteristics, School Readiness and Third Grade Outcomes*. Applied Survey Research. May 2011.

What We Can Do



Engage Families

Many parents and students don't realize how quickly early absences can add up to academic trouble. Community members and teachers can educate families and build a culture of attendance through early outreach, incentives and attention to data.



Fix Transportation

The lack of a reliable car, or simply missing the school bus, can mean some students don't make it to class. Schools, transit agencies and community partners can organize car pools, supply bus passes or find other ways to get kids to school.



Address Health Needs

Health concerns, particularly asthma and dental problems, are among the leading reasons students miss school in the early grades. Schools and medical professionals can work together to give children and families health care and advice.



Track the Right Data

Schools too often overlook chronic absence because they track average attendance or unexcused absences, not how many kids miss too many days for any reason. Attendance Works has free data-tracking tools.

These are a few steps that communities and schools can take. How do you think you can help?

Oak Run Elementary School Bus Schedule

2019-2020 School Year

Redding and Palo Cedro

<u>Stop</u>	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>
#RR Redding @ Rare Air	6:55	3:45
#PC Palo Cedro @ Dahl Mortuary	7:05	3:35

Oak Run

<u>Stop</u>	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>
#1 Leave Oak Run School	7:35	2:30
#2 28225 Oak Run to Fern Rd.	7:38	2:33
#3 28757 Oak Run to Fern Rd.	7:41	2:36
#4 14825 Phillips Rd.	7:45	2:40
#5 Thomas Rd. @ Phillips Rd.	7:46	2:41
#6 Frontier Rd. @ Phillips Rd.	7:52	2:47
#7 Cool Creek Lane	7:54	2:52
#8 Arrowpoint Rd.	8:03	2:58
#9 Oak Run Quarry on Oak Run Rd.	8:60	3:01
#10 Volbrecht Rd.	8:14	3:09
#11 School	8:16	3:10

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