

Odyssey Weekly Update

My Path. My Future.

Principal Corner

Hello Odyssey Families,

Welcome back from Fall Break!

Our school loves being a part of the lives for our families. While students were smiling and genuinely sharing how much they were excited to be back in school as they walked through the doors Monday morning, they were also excited to share about what they did with you during Fall Break. Whether it was travelling, spending time with extended family, doing fun activities around Colorado Springs, or spending relaxing time to unwind, the calendar for District 49 truly does allow for a nice balance for learning academic skills while enjoying life. Our teachers and staff also expressed this balance with our return, too.

Speaking of teachers, we sure do love our D49 teachers! Not only do they spend countless hours planning, examining student work, and delivering lesson that aim to captivate, but they also build relationships that motivate and inspire. During Fall Break, you should have received your ballot to vote. One of the items on this ballot pertains to a Mill Levy Override that would seek to increase teacher salaries so that we can retain and recruit the very best for our students. If you are looking to research the characteristics of this MLO, [you can find additional information here](#).

We're so excited for the next stage of the school year! With our strong foundation built during the first quarter, the second quarter really helps us to build new skills and solidify old one. Thank you for being a crucial part of the team when it comes to educating your child.

In partnership,

Mr. Kris Levi
OES Principal

Upcoming Dates to Remember

October/November

October 31st- Fall Parties in Classroom

November 2nd - CIA Board Meeting

November 3rd - SAC Meeting - 8:30-9:30am

November 6th - 10th -National School Psychology Week

November 7th - Picture Re-Takes

November 8th-17th - Fun Run Fundraiser (Fun Run Day will be held on November 17th)

November 9th - Board of Education Regular Meeting

November 10th - Schools Open for Veteran's Day

November 16th - CIA Parent Meeting - 3:45pm

November 17th - Vision and Hearing Screenings

November 17th - Fun Run Final Day

November 17th- Monthly Happy Hour- 3:00pm

November 20th - 24th - Schools Closed for Thanksgiving Break

November 22nd-24th - District Closed for Thanksgiving

November 30th - CIA Board Meeting

Note from our Social Worker - Mrs. Mackenzie Whitaker

Find something that you and your child both enjoy doing and do that together this week!

Reconnecting with your child over a mutually enjoyable activity is a great way to foster your relationship and it'll set them up for a positive mindset when they go to school.

OES Family Handbook - 2023-2024

Odyssey - Family Handbook 2023-2024.pdf

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OES - Bell Schedule

- School Hours:

- Office 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- The first bell will be at 8:15 a.m.
- The official start of school is at 8:20 a.m.
- Tardy 8:25 a.m.
- Kindergarten - 5th grade 8:20 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Pre-School A.M. 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Pre-School P.M. 12:20 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.
- Breakfast served 7:55 a.m.-8:10 a.m.
- Soft Start/doors open at 8:10 a.m.

District 49 School Calendar - 2023-2024

D49_23-24_Calendar_Final.pdf

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D49 Student Check Out Procedure

*Any parent/friend/relative picking up a student must be listed as an approved contact with “pick-up” privileges in PowerSchool and **must present their valid, legible, government issued photo ID.**

***PLEASE NOTE: We will only call student out of class, once you have arrived, we have checked your ID and you have signed your student out of school.**

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

PowerSchool Parent Portal - Account Creation Guide

PowerSchool Parent Portal: Account Creation Guide

Get Started ([pdf version of instructions](#)).

PowerSchool is the District’s web-based tool providing real-time insights on student grades, schedules, performance, and attendance.

Before you can access your student information, you must create a new parent account (*existing IC accounts will not work in PowerSchool*).

You need to have at least one student Access ID and Password to create an account. If you have multiple students in our district, you should have received an email for each of those students with an Access ID and Password to link each of your students as you create the account.

If you did not receive an email containing the Access ID and Access Password(case sensitive), please contact your student's school to obtain this information.

To set-up your account click on the link- [Parent & Student Portal / Parent & Student Portal \(d49.org\)](https://d49.org/Parent-Student-Portal)

BASE49 Information

What is BASE49?

- BASE49 is a Before and After School Program that provides quality care on scheduled days, as well as during early release, assessment, and professional development days for working families. We also offer a summer program at limited locations.
 - All District 49 students from grades Kindergarten through Fifth grade are welcome to attend. The program runs from 6 am-6 pm. Our summer and break hours may vary.
 - [BASE49 Before & After School / Welcome to BASE49 \(d49.org\)](https://d49.org/Before-After-School-Program)
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CIA - Committee in Action Parent Group

Welcome to Odyssey's Community In Action Page,

Thank you for visiting Odyssey's Community In Action (CIA) page. We appreciate the time and support you offer our parent/community group. The CIA is a parent group whose mission is to institute and sustain a close relationship between the parents, community, teachers, and students by evolving opportunities within the school, home, and community. This group provides support for teachers and students within the classroom, advocates school and family interaction, raises money for supplies and materials for classrooms, and hosts events for the school community. Furthermore, we provide an unbiased forum for sharing information and making decisions that impact our students.

Membership Form:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17uDkD7xRGbe9nknBr73URZgRjflCCGyNzrdemmcoF-g/edit?usp=sharin>

To become a member or to receive more information please reach out to Mrs. Trinity Wedde at trinity.wedde@d49.org.

We look forward to working with you and serving our OES community.

[2023-2024 CIA Bylaws](#)

OES- Title I School Family Compact/Policy



Learning Services / Title Programs

Title I, Part A is the largest federal program supporting both elementary and secondary education. The program's resources are allocated based upon the poverty rates of students enrolled in schools and districts and are designed to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.

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Volunteer Opportunities

In order to participate as a volunteer at Odyssey Elementary School, you must be cleared through our Central Office. Below are the steps to take before volunteering.

D49 Volunteer Process

All Volunteer Applications are done online. Click on the link below to begin the volunteer application:

<http://d49.org/domain/265>

Please contact the school to arrange a day to volunteer.

Nutrition Services

[D49 Nutrition Services](#)

Monthly Lunch Menu- [View Menus](#)

Here is more information regarding our free and reduced program.

<https://www.d49.org/freeandreduced>

<https://www.payschoolscentral.com/>

Lost and Found Items

If your student is missing items such as jackets, lunch bags, water bottles etc. **The Lost and Found will be donated at the end of each month**, please have your student check before then.

King Soopers Fundraiser

Dear OES Families,

Odyssey Elementary School is participating in the King Soopers or City Market Community Rewards Program. Please read the information below to link your King Soopers Loyalty Card.

To Use the King Soopers or City Market Community Rewards Program:

Simply encourage your participants to visit the appropriate link below.

- For King Soopers Stores - go to <http://www.kingsoopers.com>
- For City Market Stores - go to <http://www.citymarket.com>

Once logged into their King Soopers or City Market account they can search for Odyssey Elementary School either by name or AX396 and then click Enroll. New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a *loyalty* card.

*Customers must have a registered King Soopers or City Market *loyalty* card account to link to your organization.

*If a member does not yet have a King Soopers or City Market *loyalty* card, please let them know they are available at the customer service desk at any King Soopers or City Market

REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your organization until after your participants register their *loyalty* card.

Participants must swipe their registered King Soopers or City Market *loyalty* card or use the phone number that is related to their registered King Soopers or City Market *loyalty* card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Thank you!

King Soopers or City Market Community Rewards Department



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DISTRICT ATTENDANCE POLICY OVERVIEW - [Bell Schedule / Attendance Policy \(d49.org\)](#)

Inspiring students through caring relationships and meaningful learning.

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