

The Grizzly Times

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NATIONAL DAY OF CONCERN STUDENT PLEDGE AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE OCTOBER 22ND

The students at OES signed a pledge today. The bracelet they wear home represents their pledge. The Student Pledge Against Gun Violence is a national program that honors the role that young people, through their own decisions, can play in reducing gun violence. This campaign against youth gun violence culminates each year on a Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence. The program provides a means for beginning the conversation with young people about gun violence.



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Looking Ahead

OCTOBER

21st	First Grade Performance 7pm
24th	Teacher Workday—No School Business Partner Breakfast
27th	School Board Meeting 7:00pm
29th	EARLY DISMISSAL 11:00AM REPORT CARDS GO HOME
30th	Report Card Celebration
5th -	7:50am
3rd -	8:20am
4th -	8:55am
31st	Career Day

HONOR ROLL CELEBRATION

Thursday, October 30th

5th	7:50am
3rd	8:20am
4th	8:55am

We will not be sending home a Grizzly Times for next week due to no school on Friday, October 24th.

A Great Day!

The Fall Festival was a huge success. It was wonderful to see all the families come to Oakbrook Elementary to have fun playing, jumping and eating. One of our great pleasures is watching families grow. To see brothers and sisters, mothers and fathers at school having fun is a treat.

We extend a huge thank you for all the hard work our PTA put into planning the Fall Festival. Even though the weather was a challenge, they re-organized so the Fall Festival could go on. Thanks to Tamara Stewart and Amy Martin our Fall Festival coordinators this year. They pulled together with Julie Monahan and Kristi Shanko to plan and organize a very successful festival.

Parent involvement is what makes Oakbrook Elementary an outstanding school. We thank you for all your support at our events!



Thank you to our Wonderful Business Partners!!

We had an incredible Fall Festival this year and we have to send out a HUGE thank you to several of our business partners that helped make it even more special this year....

JUMP INDOORS donated four fantastic jump castles for us to use, generators to help us keep those up and running and provided monitors to help watch our great students enjoy their day. Mr. Cook also supplied us with the beautiful all color flyers that came home to advertise the Fall Festival. What a treat!



ROLLY POLLIES, HOUSE OF BOUNCE, DORCHESTER LANES, MIDDLETON PLACE and CHICK-FIL-A donated lots of goodies and certificates for our Fall Festival baskets. This is a great fund raiser for PTA and their donations made our baskets outstanding this year.

RITA'S provided our families with free samples of their delicious Italian Ice. This was a great treat!

MESSAGE FROM NURSE HATHCOCK

Please be aware that if your child has a fever, that they must be fever free for 24 hours before they return to school. Also, please encourage your child to wash their hands and cover their cough and sneeze.

Fine Arts Rotation
Rotation I begins
Monday, October 27th
Music, Art, or P.E.

Lunch-\$1.40 Breakfast-\$0.85
Lunch School Menu
 for the week of October 20th & 27th
 includes milk choice
Offered Daily: bag lunch
****Only the main food is listed****
MONDAY
 Turkey Corn Dog
TUESDAY
 Breaded Chicken Filet Sandwich
WEDNESDAY
 Spaghetti and Meat Sauce
THURSDAY
 Cheese Pizza
FRIDAY
NO SCHOOL
MONDAY
 Hamburger w/lettuce
TUESDAY
 Baked Potato w/ tex mex chili
WEDNESDAY
 Bag Lunch—Early Dismissal
THURSDAY
 Spaghetti and Meat Sauce
FRIDAY
 Cheese Pizza

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BOOK FAIR
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 Thank you to all parents,
 students, teachers, and
 volunteers for your support!
 The book fair was very
 successful. The money we
 earned will be used to support
 reading incentive programs
 and it also allows us to
 purchase books materials, and
 equipment for our media
 center and school. We
 appreciate your support!
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MONITORS NEEDED FOR
2ND GRADE TESTING

We are looking for monitors to help with 2nd grade testing. Monitors will need to be at OES from 8:00am until 10:00am. Please return this form to our guidance office by November 6th if you are interested in volunteering.

Name: _____
 Child's Name _____
 Homeroom _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Evening Number: _____

I will monitor on:

_____ Wednesday, November 5th
 _____ Thursday, November 6th
 _____ Friday, November 7th
 _____ Tuesday, November 11th
 _____ Wednesday, November 12th
 _____ Thursday, November 13th


2008—2009
 Early Dismissal Days
 Students will be dismissed
 At 11:00 this year.

Letters will be sent home asking if your child will buy lunch, bring lunch or eat lunch at home. Also you will be asked how the child is to go home that day. Please let Day Care and Babysitters know about these special early dismissal days.

WEDNESDAYS
 October 29th

Halloween Costumes

On October 31st, students at Oakbrook Elementary are invited to wear costumes focusing on book characters, careers or costumes that are non scary.




School Bus Safety Week
October 20 – October 24

Approximately 400,000 yellow school buses serve American elementary and high school students. In all, about 22.5 million school-age children ride yellow school buses to and from school. After-school activities provide an estimated 5 million additional daily student rides. The American Public Transit Association also estimates that public transportation provides an additional 900 million student rides per year. This makes school transportation the single largest system of public transportation in the United States, resulting in over 94.2 billion total pupil-passenger miles per year.

School Bus Safety Week (sponsored by the National Association for Pupil Transportation) is held each year during the third week of October. This is a good time to highlight school bus safety programs. In general, children should understand that riding on the bus is a privilege, that the bus is an extension of school, and they are expected to behave as well as they would in their classroom. Take this opportunity to talk with your children about what you expect from them on the bus. Here are some additional safety rules.

School Bus Safety Rules

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| <p>On the way to the bus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be alert, arrive at your stop at least five minutes early. • Always obey all traffic lights and signals. • Plan to walk with schoolmates whenever possible, facing the traffic. • When crossing streets, always cross at crosswalks and intersections. • Look both ways before crossing the street. | <p>At the bus stop:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stand back from the curb. • Don't push or shove when entering or exiting and always use the steps and hand rail. • Always obey the bus driver and wait for the driver's signal before crossing. • Always cross at least 10 feet in front of the school bus. • Never, never crawl under the bus. | <p>When riding the bus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take your seat quietly and quickly, remain seated when the bus is moving and don't get out of your seat when the bus is moving. • Keep your feet on the floor and never ever extend your hands, arms, head or any object out the window of a bus. • Talk in a quiet voice, be courteous to the driver and schoolmates, and try not to distract the driver through misbehavior. |
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We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Randy Strickland and his staff for the outstanding job they do for the children in DD2. We appreciate our bus drivers!

