

OAKRIDGE TORCH

UPCOMING CALENDAR ITEMS

9/6	No School - Labor Day
9/16	Planning Day - 1:15 Dismissal
9/17	No School - Teacher PD Day
9/24	School Spirit Day
9/29	SEP Conferences Book Fair No Kindergarten Classes
9/30	SEP Conferences Book Fair Planning Day - 1:15 Dismissal
10/1	No School - SEP Comp Day

SEP CONFERENCES

Student Educator Parent (SEP) Conferences are Wednesday, September 29 and Thursday, September 30. There will not be kindergarten classes on Wednesday, September 29 so our kindergarten teachers can conference with all families of children they teach.

We will be using a new system, Pick-A-Time, to schedule conferences. Stay tuned for instructions and details.

BOOK FAIR

Did you know that every purchase made at the Book Fair helps Oakridge Elementary? A percentage of sales is given back to our school in the form of Scholastic Dollars. Our school receives 55% in the fall and 70% in the spring. The Book Fair is open until 7 p.m. during SEP Conferences.

NOTES FROM YOUR PTA!

Hello Oakridge community! This year, your Presidents are Pete Liotiris and Amy Parker. VP of Volunteers is Elaina Yenchek, Treasurer is Max Chang, and Secretary is Auschel Felt. We are looking forward to a great year!

The PTA is responsible for organizing, funding, and planning fun events like Carnival, Super Kids Day, Book Fair, dinners for teachers, and more! We would love for you to consider getting involved here at Oakridge to help make our events successful! Here are a few ways to get involved:

- Volunteer for upcoming events! We have immediate needs for people to volunteer for Book Fair, bringing meals for teachers during SEP Conferences, and we need tons and tons of help to make our fun Fall Carnival be a great success! To see more details and dates for these events and sign up to help, please go to tinyurl.com/olympianspta
- We are in need of a Treasurer, Secretary, and Art Night Chair for next year. Please consider volunteering so that you can work with those currently in these positions to understand and learn the positions THIS year. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer, please email Elaina at eyenchek@gmail.com.
- Our budget for PTA events (field trips for kids, events, spoiling teachers, etc) is very tight tight tight because of the lack of events and such during Covid. If you are able, please consider making a donation to the PTA! These funds will be used to help us have a successful year! If you are interested in making a donation, you can stop in the Main Office.

Thank you to all who attended the PTA meeting this month! Our next meeting will be at 9am on Thursday, October 7 and all are welcome to attend!

“I WILL CHANGE THE WORLD BY”

How will you change the world? Explore the arts and express yourself through:

- Dance Choreography
- Film Production
- Literature
- Music Composition
- Photography
- Visual Arts

Students may enter as many categories as they would like. Learn more at pta.org/reflections. Submissions are due by Friday, October 8.



FALL CARNIVAL

Our annual carnival will be Friday, October 8. Please come and enjoy time with other community members and neighbors. We will have games, activities, food, a balloon artist, cake walk, and more. Tickets will go on sale during the week of the carnival.

‘BOO TO THE FLU’ CLINIC

Community Nursing Services will be at Oakridge Elementary during our Fall Carnival on October 8 from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to administer flu shots. Remember to bring your insurance card. More information will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

HELP NEEDED

Do you have a few free hours during the day? Would you like to make a difference in someone’s life? Do you enjoy working with children? If you answered ‘yes’, then we have the perfect job for you!

Come work with us as a motor aide or small group paraeducator. Hours can range from as little as 6 hours a week up to 29 hours a week. Jobs can also be combined. (We are also looking to hire an after-school sweeper.) If you or someone you know has questions regarding any of our open positions, please email Principal Drummond at cdrummond@graniteschools.org. Postings are listed under the ‘Find Employment’ section of the Granite School District website or at www.applitrack.com/graniteschools/onlineapp/.

Please keep students home if they are exhibiting any symptoms of COVID. Per health department recommendations, masks are STRONGLY RECOMMENDED for all students, staff, and visitors while indoors. Thanks for helping keep our Oakridge community healthy.

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP SAFETY

Safety is always a top priority at Oakridge Elementary. Help us keep all students safe. The front parking area is the only school designated drop-off zone. Please follow these important safety recommendations:

- Pull as far forward as possible, as close to the Jupiter exit as you can.
- Drop children off on the school side of the street.
- Train your child to look all directions and use a crosswalk when crossing the street.
- Park only in designated parking spaces.