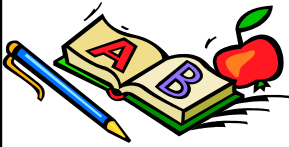


# OLIVE CREST ACADEMY

# NEWSLETTER

Success for Every Student



## First Day of School is Approaching...

Can you believe that summer is practically over? Here at OCA we have been busy preparing for the 2014-2015 school year. Thursday, **August 28th** is our first day of school. Both Thursday and Friday are regular days ending at 2:00 for Elementary and Middle School and 2:15 for our High School.

If you haven't received information regarding transportation, please contact Katy Hogue at X2203.

Enrollment Packets will be sent home on the first day with your student. Please return them by Sept. 2nd. The first classroom to have 100% of their Enrollment Packets returned to our school office will earn a **PIZZA PARTY** for the entire class!!!! If you would like a "head start", you can locate the entire Enrollment Packet on our new website at [www.olivecrestacademy.org](http://www.olivecrestacademy.org). Print it at home, fill it out, and return it to school with your child.

Have you received an automated phone call, text message or email from us yet?? We are now using a communication tool called "**School Reach**" that will allow us to send out information to all of our families at one time. Please make sure we have your current email address, cell phone number and land lines in our **School Reach** system by completing the Enrollment Paperwork.

Looking forward to seeing our Olive Crest Academy students and families and having another awesome school year!

## Want To VOLUNTEER???

Join us on Sept. 25th for our  
Back-To-School Night!  
FINALLY OCA will offer the opportunities  
to our families and friends!  
Look for the sign-up table .

## CALENDAR

### August

Aug 18 School Office Opens  
Aug 28 First Day of School

### September

Sept 1 Labor Day—No School  
Sept 2 Registration Packets Due  
Sept 25 Back-To-School Night 5:00-6:30pm

### October

Oct 3 Non-Student Day/Staff Development  
Oct 6 School Picture Day  
Oct 27-31 Parent-Teacher Conferences  
Minimum Day Dismissals

### November

Nov 2 Daylight Saving Time "Fall Back"  
Nov 10 Veteran's Day (observed) No School  
Nov 24-28 Thanksgiving Break No School

## NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED!!

[www.olivecrestacademy.org](http://www.olivecrestacademy.org)



We are very happy to announce the launch of our **new Olive Crest Academy website!!!** While we will continue to add and develop the content and include more and more information and resources for our students and families, we couldn't wait any longer to give YOU access. Please check it out. You will find calendars, newsletters, contact info and much more. You may even notice a familiar face or two. :) Please feel free to share your feedback with our Leadership Team (link at the top of the home page) as we work to improve our new site.



# Phone Directory

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Extension	First Name	Last Name	Dept/Position
1508	Nina	Coull	Special Ed Director
2214	Bob	Henning	Principal
2220	Lisa	Grabowski	Admissions Director
2213	Emily	Vazirian	Asst. Principal of Education
2205	Connie	Shin	Asst. Principal of Therapeutic
2216	Anthony	Haggins	Program Specialist
2221	Helen	Bach	Admin. Supervisor
2200	Yasmin	Martinez	Front Office/Receptionist
2206	Xochilt	Hernandez	Admin. Asst.
2201	Jackie (Mary)	Lawrence	IEP Desk
2203	Katy	Hogue	Transportation
2218	Wendy	Hutain	Workability
2211	Andrea	Lara	Therapist
2208	Breana	Nakamoto	Therapist
2209	Joel	Bugay	Therapist
2210	Natalie	Wolfinger	Therapist
2215	Trina	Popowich	Therapist
2212	Cindy	Baca	Speech & Language

## IMMUNIZATIONS ARE A MUST!

Whooping cough, also known as pertussis, continues to threaten students in California. To help stop it's spread, all **incoming 7th graders** are required by law to have proof of a whooping cough booster shot (Tdap), or file an exemption, in order to attend classes. Students will not be allowed to attend school without the proper immunization record on file.












If your student has not had this required booster shot, please schedule an appointment immediately with your regular physician. Vaccines may also be available at other local clinics and/or pharmacies. If your student has already received the booster shot, please give a copy of the record to our school office.

Questions? Please contact Jackie Lawrence at #2201.



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## High School / Adult Transition September 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 No School 	2	3	4	5 Level Activity On-Campus Ice Cream Bar 	6
7	8	9	10 CBI Off-Campus Social Enrichment – Valencia Park-Irvine 	11	12 Level Activity On-Campus Welcome BBQ 	13
14	15	16 Horse Therapy – Room 12 (Tentative Start date) 	17 CBI Off-Campus Community Shopping Trip 	18	19 Level Activity On-Campus Golfing Range 	20
21	22	23 Horse Therapy – Room 12 	24 CBI Off-Campus Orange County Airport Tour 	25	26 Level Activity On-Campus Movie & Popcorn 	27
28	29	30 Horse Therapy – Room 12 				

## Our Transportation Department is a “Fine Oiled Machine”...



that works hard to maintain the safety of our students while they travel to and from school. We make every effort to accommodate the special needs of our students and families when possible.

We ask that you allow a ten minute window before and after the scheduled pick-up/drop-off times. In the morning, drivers are instructed to honk on arrival and wait two minutes. After waiting two minutes transportation will call to inform you that the van is waiting for your child. If there is not an answer, the driver will wait for an additional three minutes before continuing their route.

In order to help our transportation staff provide the best and safest service, we ask for your cooperation and assistance in several important areas:

1. **Changes**-If you anticipate a change in AM or PM routing due to childcare, Mental Health, medical Appointments, or moving, please call your child’s school therapist and give us at least **48 hours** notice to modify the route. Often we receive a midday call asking us to make a change in a route within an hour or two. A “last minute” change, such as this, can affect the entire route. We must insist on advance notice.
2. **Absences**-Please call the school office in the evening or prior to 6:30am to notify our transportation department that your child will be absent. We can then notify the driver to prevent them from driving to your home. Please also leave the reason for your child’s absence.
3. **Seat Belts**-All children are required to wear the proper seat belts during transportation. Safety seats, boosters, and harnesses are also available for students that require them.
4. **Damage**-If your child damages the interior or exterior of our vans, you may be billed in accordance with the Education Code.
5. **Behavior**-If you have any questions or concerns regarding behaviors during transportation, please contact your child’s therapist immediately.

**Transportation can be reached at extension #2203**

## PBIS PLACE

Olive Crest Academy is proud to announce that we are a PBIS school!

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports, or PBIS, is a nation-wide program found in over 9000 schools and in 40 states. This section of our newsletter is where you can learn more about the PBIS program and what it has to offer our students here at school. It will also provide useful tools and tips that can be used at home.

PBIS is an added level of support to our OCA program, which further improves the quality of behavioral instruction and intervention. It works alongside existing classroom programs, ensuring students receive the best researched and data driven practices.

The Core Principles of PBIS are:

- To effectively teach appropriate behavior to all children
- Intervene early
- Use of a multi-tier model of deliver
- Use research-based, scientifically validated interventions to the extent available.
- Monitor student progress to inform interventions
- Use data to make decisions

Check our PBIS PLACE in our next newsletter to learn how PBIS has positively impacted our school!

You Met All The Kimochi Characters In Our February Newsletter...  
Here Are The Kimochi "Feelings" That Our Students  
Are Learning To Identify And Express Themselves With...



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