

# **Odyssey Charter School**

**2009-2010**

## For Your Information

### OCS Annual Campaign Update

Many thanks to the 54 families who have contributed to our Annual Campaign...  
As today we have received \$11,220 and an additional \$11,000 have been pledged.

Please send your check donations, in any amount to the Front Office or go online to [www.odysseycharterschool.org](http://www.odysseycharterschool.org) and click on the DONATE button to donate online.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**

### Attendance Report Update

Month 1- 97.43%  
Month 2- 94.90%  
Month 3- 94.99%  
Month 4- 94.27%

Our monthly ADA continues to drop and with every 1% under 95%,  
our school loses \$20,000. Please help us by bringing  
your child to school everyday and on time.

## Dates to Remember

### Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>


Arts at Odyssey Orientation

Time: 8:30am in the Community Hall

See attached flyer



### *Dates to Remember*

- Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>  
**NO SCHOOL** -Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday 
- Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>  
OPPG Meeting/Parent Ed Orientation/Soup Sale starting at 5:30pm  
See attached flyer for more information
- Tuesday, January, 26<sup>th</sup> OCS Board Meeting at 6pm
- Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup> Second Cup of Coffee

### **Attention Parents**

#### **New Session "Cooking Kids" for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders**

Sign ups are happening right now for the next session of Cooking Kids at Odyssey. This is for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders and your children should be bringing home paperwork this week for registration.

The class dates are Mondays: January 25, February 1, 8 and 22

**Registration and payment must be turned in by January 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**ENROLL NOW!**

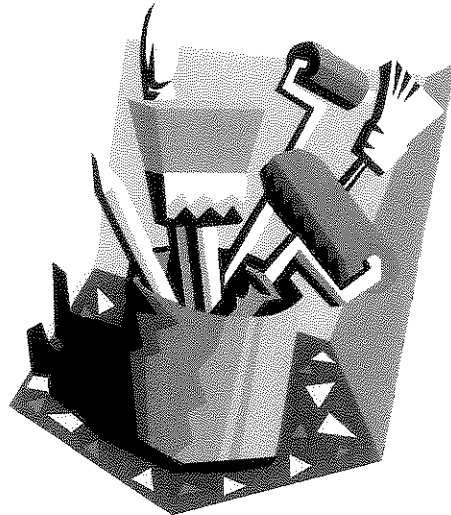


Hello OCS Parents,  
Grandparents and Friends,

*Bring your gift of the Arts to the school!*

As we found out last month, there will be no paid Visual or Musical Arts coming to Odyssey this year due to the huge budget cuts we face.

It's up to us to bring the arts to our students, NOW!



*Come this Friday, January 15 @  
8:30am to the Arts at Odyssey*

*Orientation Meeting in the Community Hall~ The Arts Committee  
will hook you up!*

Our community is rich in talent and experience in all of the arts, enrichment we can bring to our kids. If each of you artistic folk were to take on one project, we could fill the school with the Arts!

To all of you we have spoken with and any of those interested that we haven't found yet

...bring your schedule/calendar and be there this Friday!

Come tell us what you have in mind and hear the details to make it happen.

You don't have to have it figured out, you can lead or assist; we'll help if you like. The Arts Committee can support you with materials, assistants, ideas and more.

All the teachers have space in their schedules for Music and Art; they have requested projects, they're just waiting for us to bring it to them. All you need to do is sign up on Friday morning. Our goal is to get arts into the classrooms NOW!

**Important: If you can not make it Friday morning please contact us by Thursday so we can work with you individually.**

MaryLinda Moss 323 369-2923, [imarylinda@aol.com](mailto:imarylinda@aol.com)  
and Karen Merchant 323 255-3356, [elpho@sbcglobal.net](mailto:elpho@sbcglobal.net)

We can make a huge difference in our children's lives-let's do it!

Thankyou,

MaryLinda and Karen

# JANUARY OPPG PARENT MEETING!!

Tuesday, January 19, 2010 6:00pm  
Community Hall

**\*\*Childcare Provided\*\***

To All Parents & Guardians,

Please join us for our January OPPG Meeting and Parent Ed!!

5:30 Dinner – SOUP SALE!

***No need to cook tonight: join us before the meeting at 5:30 to warm up your winter with yummy Brazilian Black Bean Soup (made by the Food & Garden Committee) & Bread, \$5. (Please bring your own beverage in a reusable container if desired.)***

6:00pm – OPPG Meeting

Brief parent meeting to hear Committee Reports, and find out about the next events.)

6:30pm – Parent Ed

***“Rewards and Punishments”  
with Brian Joseph, Odyssey Parent and CNVEP Educator***

Setting limits for our kids is critical. Is it possible for us to hold those limits without using the threat of punishment, and without the bribery of offering rewards? CNVEP offers a new paradigm for raising children without these manipulative tools.

This topic is brought to you by the OPPG, however does not necessarily represent the views of OCS. This month we are presenting a topic for parents and we look forward to hearing from Brian and to the Parent discussion that follows. We hope you will join us.

You can find more information on CNVEP at [www.cnvep.org](http://www.cnvep.org)

If you have any questions, or would like something added to the agenda, please call or write Cari Dawson, OPPG Chair at 323-273-6131 or [carid@mac.com](mailto:carid@mac.com)



# Odyssey Charter School

## MEMORANDUM

Date: January 14, 2010

To: OCS Parents & Families

From: Carlos García Saldaña,  
Director for Community Relations

RE: RockFest 2010

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As we start our second trimester at Odyssey Charter School, I wanted to share some information about our Annual RockFest. The RockFest is our talent showcase which will be taking place on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the OCS Community Hall. This fun-filled event showcases the many talents of our students and provides students with a morning of fun. In prior years students have grouped with friends to form a musical band, danced to a popular song, recited a poem, held a magic show, or acted out an act of a play.

In case you hear your child talk about RockFest and their excitement in participating in this years lineup, below is the timeline and information you may need.

Friday, January 15	Teachers will have "RockFest Interest Forms" available for students interested in having an act in the show.
Wednesday, January 20	"RockFest Interest Forms" will be due back to the Front Office. Late or incomplete forms will not be accepted.
Wednesday, January 27 & Thursday, January 28	Tryouts will be held at from 1:00 to 2:30pm in the Community Hall for all those who submitted interest forms. This will allow us to begin building our lineup and determine placement of acts.
Monday, February 1	Lineup will be announced and posted in the Community Hall.
February 8-10 (Monday – Wednesday)	Rehearsal will be held during the lunch hours the Community Hall. For those students who may be bringing musical instruments or other props, these may be kept in storage on stage in preparation for the final show.
Thursday, February 11	Dress Rehearsal from 3:00-5:00pm in the Community Hall

The actual show will be taking place on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. OCS families are welcomed to join us and experience the fun of our RockFest!

If you have any additional questions, please send those along via email to [carlosg@ocsmail.org](mailto:carlosg@ocsmail.org).