

September 2024



# Together We Can Oakdale Elementary



## A Note from the Principal

Oakdale Families-

It is with great pleasure and eagerness that I welcome you to a new school year at Oakdale Elementary. Our school has a rich history, filled with academic distinction. This has not come about by accident -- it has occurred through the continued hard work, dedication, and commitment to excellence that has existed between school staff, partnerships with you, our parents and community members, and most importantly, our students! I am greatly honored to be a part of Oakdale as a member of this educational family!

I look forward to working with each and every one of you to make this a successful year for our students. I am committed to helping each student become their very best. Working collaboratively, we will reach that destination! I look forward to seeing what this school year has in store for us! Let the journey for the 2024-2025 school year begin!

Kind Regards,  
Angie Dorzweiler,  
Oakdale Elementary Principal

## Online Book Fair

*Support your school library with an online book fair! The fair will run from September 17 to September 27. More information will be available soon. Help us reach our goal of 75 books!*



# Huggers Fundraiser

Oakdale PTO will be launching our yearly School Store Fundraiser.

1. Students will take home a packet
2. Scan the code and follow instructions.
3. Submit the required email addresses
4. Write down the code
5. Student brings envelope code to school



***Students will take a packet home  
September 30!***

# Smencils Coming Soon

Oakdale PTO is bringing back the fun **Smencils & Mechanical Smencils**. They come in different fantastic scents:

\$2 per each Mechanical Smencil

\$1 per each Smencil



***Parents: please Join us for our next  
PTO Meeting:***

***Monday, September 9 from 5:30-6:00***

# Family Walk Night Update

## OAKDALE FAMILY WALK NIGHT UPDATE

**Thursday, September 12th @ Oakdale Playground**

Time: 8:30-9:30 AM  
1:00-2:00 PM

Students and families are welcome to complete marathon laps, during parent teacher conferences, on September 12th. Students may attend both time frames. Student Marathon Cards will be available to be scanned as they complete each lap.

**UPCOMING MARATHON EVENT**  
Oakdale Color Run  
September 24th, 6:30- 7 PM



## ***Communicating with Your Child's School!***

We strive to be the best place to learn. The only way we can improve is to know about concerns so we are able to address them. Here are some tips for communicating with your child's school when concerns arise.

The fastest way to a positive result is to start with the people closest to the situation in the school. Talk with the teacher or coach about your questions and concerns before going to the principal.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to reach out to teachers and school staff by:

- Calling the school's phone number. Because they are teaching, you often will need to leave a message for your child's teacher or coach.
- Emailing the teacher or coach directly. All teacher emails are available on our school website.

We want to be responsive to parents' questions and requests for information. Our staff will respond to your call or email as soon as possible, in most cases within two school days.

If you have had a conversation with your child's teacher and the principal and are still needing assistance, the director of elementary or secondary programs will be able to provide additional support.

We are excited for this new school year and look forward to partnering with you to support a great school experience for your student.

## **Screen Your Student for Symptoms of Illness**

It is important to screen your student for illness every day before coming to school. Keep your student at home if sick with any illness. By making sure students are healthy when they come to school, we all can help prevent illnesses that disrupt learning. Thank you for your support!

## **Family Fall Night**

Oakdale Fall Family Night

Monday, October 21

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m

## **Band/Orchestra**

Fifth Grade Families: Band and Orchestra enrollment is here! If you missed the August 27 deadline, please enroll now if you would still like to join! Classes start September 4 (no instruments needed yet).

## **Upcoming Music Concerts**

Nov. 7 - Grade 3 & 4

Dec. 12 - Grade 1 & 2

March 6 - Kindergarten

May 15 - Fifth Grade Honor Night

## **Lunch Price**

Parents are welcome to join their child for lunch.

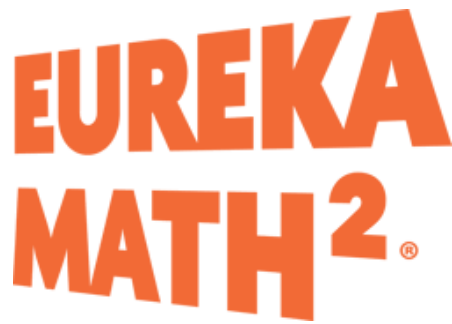
- Call the office before 9:00 a.m.
- Bring a check or cash with the exact amount.

Adult Lunch: \$5.00

Adult Breakfast: \$3.00



# Introduction to Eureka Math Squared



Eureka Math<sup>2</sup>® is your student's revolutionary new math program. Its learning design allows your student to build a deep conceptual understanding of mathematics that will better prepare them for college, career, and beyond.

Family Math letters will be coming home with your child throughout the year. These letters will provide a topic overview that includes content, images of models and strategies, and key vocabulary. It also includes ideas for math activities that may be done at home.

Oakdale's staff honors and celebrates the role caregivers play in each student achieving greatness. Thank you for your partnership!

Lauren Cox  
Math Coach

## FERPA

In accordance with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), USD 305 has designated certain information as directory information. This information is considered public information which may be released from the school district without your prior consent. Please inform your school building in writing that any or all of the directory information should not be released without your prior consent (by September 13, 2024 to ensure it is not included in a parent directory). The following information is considered directory information:

- a) The student's name and age
- b) Parent's name, address and telephone number
- c) The student's major field of study and class designation (i.e. first grade, tenth grade)
- d) The student's participation in officially recognized activities or sports
- e) The weight and height of members of athletic teams
- f) Dates of attendance (period of time during which a student was enrolled in an educational agency or institution, i.e. academic year, spring semester)

# Oakdale Elementary is a Title 1 School

As part of our commitment to transparency and providing the best education for your children, we want to remind you of your rights under Title I. You can request information about the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher and any instructional aides who work with your child. This includes their certification, college degrees, and other qualifications. We aim to keep open communication and ensure you feel confident in the education your child receives.

As parents or guardians you may request information regarding the professional qualifications of your student's classroom teachers, including, at a minimum, the following information:

- Whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.

Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

Please contact Mrs. Angela Dorzweiler, 309-4310, if you have any questions regarding our Title One Services at Oakdale.







# September

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

2 - Labor Day/No School

20- Site Council Meeting 12:30

9-Oakdale PTO Meeting 5:30-6:00 PM

24 - Family Walk Night 6:30-7:00 p.m.

11-12 - Parent Teacher Conferences

30 - School Store Huggers Fundraiser Kickoff

13 - No School

## Contact Us

Angela Dorzweiler - Principal  
 Angela Alarcon - Secretary  
 April Mayorga - Lead Teacher  
 Main Office Phone Number: 785-309-4310

 Oakdale Elementary

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 School Website

 District Website

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# #305GrowsGreatness

