



## Oakhurst's Community Circle

### WHO:

- Oakhurst staff
- CSD staff
- Oakhurst students
- Oakhurst alumni (we love when our Owls come back to the nest!)
- Oakhurst student families

### WHAT:

Community Circle is a monthly gathering to celebrate our amazing community with dances, songs, shout outs, and more! Each month, a different grade level or department plans community circle, which is hosted by students.

### WHERE:

[In front of the school \(bus loop\)](#): August - October, April - May

[On the basketball court](#): November - March

### WHEN:

Community Circle is held on one Friday each month (usually the last Friday, but not always) and can be found on our [school calendar](#).

*We'll communicate rescheduling information via email if the need arises (weather, school closures, etc.)*

### TIPS:

- Here are the seating charts for Community Circle: [Front](#) / [Bball court](#) (Families stand behind seated students.)
- Set expectations with your child before you drop them off for school:
  - **If you are unable to attend:** Not all grownups can attend Community Circle - and that's okay! Give your kiddo an extra hug and tell them you're excited to hear all about it when you see them after school. You can ask them:
    - What was your favorite part of Community Circle?
    - Who was Oakie today?
    - Did anyone you know get shouted out?
  - If you are able to join us, remind your student that you will be excited to be there but that **you'll not be able to sit with them or stay after it's over**. Students must sit with their class. Plan a special wave so you can acknowledge each other without causing disruption or an unsafe situation.
- At the end of each gathering, we close with our school song - and everyone is encouraged to sing along. Here are a [link to the song](#) and a [link to the lyrics](#). Ask your student to show you the body motions.
- Our students have been learning about how to be a good audience member. Please set a great example by not talking to other parents while students are presenting/performing.