

## **OC Newsletter**

### HOLIDAY ART & SERVICE BAZAAR

Join us for the Holiday Art & Service Bazaar on December 2nd from 6:00–8:00 PM. This event is designed to blend art and service, a foundational principle of the OC philosophies and the true purpose of art! We are able to channel our creativity into doing something for our community at the coldest and trickiest time of the year. We will be collecting donations for the Utah Food Bank and Volunteers of America, and creating tie blankets to donate to Primary Children's Hospital.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 23-25: No School

November 30: Picture Make-

Up Day

December 2: Holiday Service

& Craft Bazaar

December 23: Solstice

Celebration

December 23: Early Release

Day



The Holiday Bazaar blends art and service, and will have donation drop-off stations for our struggling and unsheltered neighbors. Bring your creativity for activities like: help tie blankets for Primary Children Hospital, or decorate a treat or craft to take home.

#### COLLECTION DONATIONS:

**Utah Food Bank** donations should meet the following criteria: all natural ingredients, low sodium, low sugar, no high fructose corn syrup. Most needed food items are: peanut butter, mac & cheese, canned meats, chili, canned pasta, canned fruits, other boxed meals.

Items for **Volunteers of America**: adult socks, beanies, winter gloves, hygiene kits (travel sized toothpaste, shampoo, body wash).



PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND STUDENTS WITH THE APPROPRIATE OUTERWEAR. WE WANT STUDENTS TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET PHYSICAL MOVEMENT EACH DAY., SO WE WILL STILL ENJOY OUTSIDE RECESS ON COLDER DAYS.

For those of you who were unable to attend the recent feasibility studies regarding West and Highland High Schools you may watch recordings of those presentations here. Videos

# What makes the OC great?

The Open Classroom philosophy is that students learn most effectively when they are immersed in authentic learning experiences where they can:

- Practice self-reliance
- Assume responsibility for their own learning
- Develop positive self-esteem and confidence
- Experience decision-making opportunities
- Learn cooperatively in multi-aged settings
- Receive guidance and support from caring, licensed teachers
- Receive guidance and support from parents who actively participate in classroom activities and school operation

# Help your child succeed

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Starting in preschool and kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just 1 or 2 days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences and tardiness can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.





