

ES yearbooks are still for sale. Please make checks payable to USD 341 for \$12.00 and send to your child's homeroom teacher. Please contact OES office or advisor, Kelley Woods, if you have any questions.

Another outstanding group of readers moved up in Accelerated Reader clubs this week!

Tulley Lynch, Louis Falk, Caitlyn Faulconer, and Cody Pickens entered the 50 point club!

Rebekah Dissinger walked into the 200 point club!

Bree Brooks and Justin Sharp motored into the 300 point club!

Jonah Sargent and Brandon Wampler vaulted into the 500 point club! Jonah and Brandon will both have their name placed on the plaque near the office! Congratulations!

Don't forget to spend some time reading over Spring Break!

Thrilling Thursday!

GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT PRESENTATIONS

Students in grades 4-6 will have growth and development presentations on March 27th. The school nurse and another Jefferson County Health Department nurse will be presenting videos and answering questions. Students will be separated by gender. If you do not want your child to be present, or if you have any questions, please call the elementary or middle school office. The schedule is as follows:

6th Grade 8:30 - 9:20 am	4th Grade 9:25 - 10:15 am	5th Grade 10:15 am - 11:05 am
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Save Thriftway Receipts

Oskaloosa schools will be participating in the Thriftway Declaration for Education fundraiser again this year. There will be a box for cash register receipts located at the Oskaloosa Thriftway and in each school office. Receipts dated January 1, 2008 through April 30, 2008 will be collected. We have received some wonderful items in the past and would appreciate you saving your cash register receipts and passing this information on to family and friends!

Go Play!

The Oskaloosa PTO is sponsoring a fundraiser opportunity for OES. All you have to do is collect the labels from NESTLE PureLife water bottles. (The majority of the label must be saved, in order to count.) Please bring labels to school and give them to your classroom teacher. Your participation will not only promote good health for you but will also help provide points that can be redeemed toward fitness and sports gear for the school.

Go Play! encourages healthy play and healthy hydration for kids. *Go Play!*'s mission is to encourage learning through activity by getting kids up off the couch and getting them to play.

The *Go Play!* Web site is located at goplaylabels.com.

Immunizations Needed Before Fall Enrollment

As parents and students make summer plans, remember to include scheduling medical checkups and catch-up immunizations. Based on Kansas Statute K.A.R. 28-1-20, all children must be current on immunizations when attending any Kansas school.

For NEW kindergartners, this usually means one more round of vaccinations, which will include a fifth Dtap, a fourth IPV, a second MMR and a second varicella.

A change for this year will be the requirement for all students in grades K through 5 to have documentation of receiving 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine as well as one dose of varicella (chicken pox) vaccine or proof of varicella disease.

For students who are 14 or 15 years old, parents should check immunization records for a recent tetanus booster. All students are required to have a second tetanus shot at some time within 10 years of the school entry dose. Currently, booster tetanus doses are also recommended to include vaccination for pertussis (Tdap).

Parents of students whose school records show need for updated vaccinations will receive notification of that in the mail. Plan now to have those shots done BEFORE school starts in August to avoid possible exclusion from school.

Questions about immunizations can be directed to your school nurse or by phoning the Health Department at 785-863-2447.

READING FESTIVAL RULES AND GUIDELINES

DESCRIPTION

The reading festival is designed so students can read in a comfortable atmosphere and have access to computers to take Accelerated Reader Tests. The evening is relaxed and stress free. A snack will be provided for students during the festival. However, students must remain quiet while reading and respect the space of others. Students that cannot follow the rules will be excused to a timeout area until their parents arrive to pick them up from the festival.

RULES

- *Door prizes will be awarded. Students may not open the pop or candy treats that are awarded during the festival. Door prize treats must be taken home to be enjoyed.
- *Students may remove their shoes while they are reading. Slippers or clean socks required. However, no bare feet will be allowed.
- *Books may not be taken into the computer lab during testing.
- *Parents or other students may not coach or help students while they are testing.
- *Only students in the designated grade levels may attend the festival.
- *Parents may attend the reading festival with their student. Prior approval is necessary for older siblings to substitute for the parent.
- ***** Kindergartners MUST have an Adult Reading Partner. (Parent / Grandparent or Older sibling with prior approval.)**

IT'S A READING FESTIVAL!

WHO: Kindergarten

WHEN: FRIDAY, APRIL 18th, 3:40-5:00

WHERE: ELEMENTARY COMMONS (OUTSIDE THE COMPUTER LAB)

WHAT TO BRING: A.R. BOOKS, PILLOWS, OR BLANKETS. SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE FOOD SERVICE TEAM.

WE MUST HAVE THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAPER RETURNED BY NOON ON FRIDAY, APRIL 18th.

**Friday, March 14th
No School for
OES Students Only**

STUDENT'S NAME _____

TEACHER'S NAME _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____

**No School / Spring Break --
3/17 - 3/24 School resumes on Tuesday 3/25**