

Directors' Report October 6, 2016

ADMINISTRATION

Del Rey Campus Update:

The annual Open House on September 29th showcased student drawings, paintings, beeswax modeling, handwork, main lessons books, and projects for the community to experience and enjoy! Following Open House was the beloved Bedtime Stories event where OCS parents told stories or sang to pajama clad students and their families. The community also enjoyed the annual Book Faire and delicious homemade food.

California Charter Schools Association (CCSA) President, Jed Wallace visited the Del Rey campus on September 14th and attended a portion of the Faculty meeting. Jed is familiar with public Waldorf Education and has visited several of the charter schools in Northern California.

Westchester Campus Update:

OCS and WESM administrations have completed and submitted the Shared Use Agreement for the 2016-17 school year.

OCS administration is beginning work on our Prop 39 application for the 2017-18 school year. It is due by Nov. 1st.

Panama Property:

OCS is looking into holding regular meetings at the Panama site, as well as offering staff parking there for the DR campus. These uses will be implemented as soon as clearance is received.

John Oliver Video Contest:

OCS entered the Center for Education Reform (CER) "Hey John Oliver, Back Off My Charter School!" video contest. We submitted a 3-minute film (shot on an iPhone) to CER on September 26th. The winning school will be awarded \$100K.

Ocean Charter School – A Vision For Life!

OCS is excited to announce the debut of our school film Ocean Charter School - A Vision For Life! The trailer for the film is currently on the OCS website and the full version of the film will be released soon.



Enrollment Update:

Current Enrollment:

Below are the enrollment numbers as of 10/5/16.

- K=70
- TK=36

1st=51

2nd=49

3rd=54

4th=56

5th=55

6th=50

7th=41

8th=50

Total=512

Offers are pending in TK and 6th grade

Enrollment Planning for 2017-18:

- Increased Tour Opportunities:
 - 10/19 WC 10/26 - DR 11/2 - WC 11/9 - DR
 - 11/30 DR
 - 1/11 DR
 - 1/18 WC
 - 1/25 DR

February – April: one tour at each campus per month

- Enrollment Events/Fairs:
 - 1. LAX Chamber of Commerce Education Faire Oct. 18th
 - 2. Kindergarten Round Up at Loyola Village Elementary Oct. 18th
 - 3. LMU Kindergarten Event Nov.
- Increased online presence
 - Facebook
 - OCS website with promotional videos
- Start date for 2017-18 closer to LAUSD start date (negotiable). The LAUSD board voted to start school next year the week of August 22nd



ACADEMIC PROGRAMS:

Internal Benchmark Assessments:

The standardized internal benchmark assessments (EasyCBM) that OCS uses multiple times each year to track student progress in math and language arts have been given to all grades, 2nd-8th. 1st grade students will take their first assessment at the mid-year mark in January. Teachers use these assessments to track progress and inform instruction.

Intervention Services:

Intervention services have begun for students in 1st through 8th grade. Kinder students may participate later in the year. Intervention services are provided by our lead intervention teachers with support from intervention assistants. Services are targeted at supporting students to reach grade level expectations in reading, writing, and math.

CAASP Testing Results 2015-2016:

Please see attached analysis

Special Education District Validation Review (DVR):

The LAUSD DVR review takes place every 2 years and the district will be auditing the entire OCS Special Education program this fall. The date has not yet been confirmed, but our special education team is preparing.

Special Education Training for Teachers:

All class teachers participated in a special education in-service on Wednesday, Oct. 5th to review the elements of an IEP and the process of moving from SST (Student Success Team) to an IEP. Our next training will highlight differentiation in the general education classroom.

Coming School Events:

- October 21st, Fri.-Neighborhood Clean-Ups
- October 20th, Thurs.- Finance Committee meeting
- > October 27th, Thurs.- Diversity Committee meeting, DR am
- Cotober 27th, Thurs.- ACG Community Folk Dance, WC pm