

Director's Report

January 8, 2025

Receive the children in reverence.
Educate them with love.
Send them forth in freedom.
~ Rudolf Steiner

Educational Program

OCS' Ongoing Commitment to Public Waldorf Education:

Alliance of Public Waldorf Education Conference – January 16 -18th,2026

The conference will be held here at OCS in two weeks. The admin team is working diligently with the Alliance team to prepare in all areas, including presenters, supplies, logistics, materials, food, school tours, and more. Roughly 200 attendees have registered with participants coming from around the country. For conference details and to register, visit [here](#).

Professional Development:

Upcoming faculty meeting professional development topics include:

- Effective Strategies for Supporting English Language Learners
- Allyship training – supporting marginalized groups by being an ally and helping students know how to be an ally
- Implementing Cognitively Guided Instruction (CGI) practices in math lessons
- Integrating Movement and Music through the use of rhythm sticks
- OCS Summer Institute: Information will be released and promoted at the Alliance Conference.

Parent Engagement, Education and Support:

Administration and the Parent Collective have collaborated to bring the following topics in parent education sessions over the remainder of this school year:



1/9: Social Emotional Learning - Cool Tools - with Beth Reindero and Laurie Ramirez



2/6: The Consciousness of the 5th - 8th Grade Child - with Bonnie River



3/6: Specialty Class/Art Experience



State of the School Meeting – 4/24/26

The final whole school parent education event of the year will be the State of the School Meeting for all OCS parents/caregivers in late April to share an “under the hood” look at OCS from school leadership of the Board, Administration, and Parent Collective.

Operations

Charter Renewal

- ✓ 11/13: Renewal petition submitted
 - ✓ 12/8: Feedback process is ongoing
 - ✓ 12/16: LAUSD Board meeting with public hearing on OCS petition. OCTA President Kira Caluza shared a letter with LAUSD Board Members in open forum. No other comments on OCS were made.
- 1/26: LAUSD Board posting for 2/10 meeting that will include written recommendation from the Charter Schools Division on OCS' renewal petition
- 2/10: LAUSD Board meeting and vote to take action on the OCS charter renewal petition

LAUSD Annual Oversight Visit: Friday, February 6, 2026

Administration and teachers are preparing for the annual LAUSD oversight visit in early February. Preparation involves preparing the comprehensive digital binders for all 4 areas of operation our charter school:

- Governance;
- Student Achievement and Educational Performance;
- Organizational Management, Programs and Operations; and
- Fiscal Operations.