



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

THE ACORN – WEEK OF OCTOBER 17TH, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

10/18 – Charter Council (6:00PM)

10/20 – Clothing Swap (12:45PM)

10/22 – Car Show: 8th Grade
Fundraiser (9:00AM)

10/28 – Trunk-or-Treat: 4th Grade
Fundraiser (3:30PM)

10/28 – Halloween Dance: 7th Grade
Fundraiser (5:00PM)

10/30 – 2nd & 8th Grade Lantern
Walk (5:00PM)

CLOTHING SWAP

On **Thursday, October 20th** there will be a clothing and book swap at school from **12:45PM-1:45PM**. If the weather is nice, we will meet on the lawn in the front of the school. If it's rainy or too cold, we will meet in the big room. Because this is so close to Halloween, feel free to bring your old Halloween costumes to swap! Please bring a blanket to put your things on and when you're ready to leave, please take all your leftover items with you. These swaps will be an ongoing event at school on every 3rd Thursday of the month.

CELEBRATING ATTENDANCE

At the beginning of this month our Attendance Clerk, Kelley Chandler, had the privilege to honor our students with good and improving attendance. These students received a Blue Oak leaf which they can cash in once a month for extra recess time, to attend a PBIS party, or to enter into our school-wide student raffle.

Parents and families are essential partners in promoting good attendance because you have the bottom-line responsibility for making sure your children get to school every day. Just as parents should focus on how your children are performing academically, you have a responsibility to set expectations for good attendance. To learn more about the impacts tardiness and poor attendance can have on your student, please check out the flyer attached.

AMAZON SMILE

Do you shop at Amazon? If you sign up for Smile.Amazon.com and choose Blue Oak Charter School as your charitable organization, Amazon will donate .5% of every purchase you make to our school. With 200+ families, this can really add up! Through Amazon Smile, you will still be able to shop the same products, at the same prices, with the same service. The only difference is the one you will be making for Blue Oak. This program is supported by the Parent Council fundraising team.

LANTERN WALK

In keeping with the many countries that celebrate the lighting of lanterns to brighten the increasing dark this time of year, we hold a lantern walks each year in the fall to bring our light to the darkness. The Lantern Walk affirms symbolically that light can continue to shine even as the light and warmth of the sun are waning. Now light and warmth come from the home and from the fellowship of friends and family. Carrying a light into the darkness in the company of others—as we do during the Lantern Walk—can be reassuring to the child. These walks are one to be held in reverence, silence, and quiet conversation, to be enjoyed for its simplicity and wisdom. It is one of their favorite family times of the year! Below are the dates for the upcoming Lantern Walks:

Sun Oct 30st, 5PM ~ 2nd & 8th Grade Jack-O-Lantern Walk @ Five Mile (see details in attached flyer)

Tues Nov 8th, 6PM ~ 1st Grade Lantern Walk @ Blue Oak School

Thurs Nov 10th, 6PM ~ Kindergarten Lantern Walk @ Blue Oak School



*“Bring forth your gentle spark, illumine now the dark.
Those trembling in the night, receiving your shining light.”*

SCHOOL VIRTUE: REVERENCE