

August 1, 2023

Odyssey Dolphin Families,

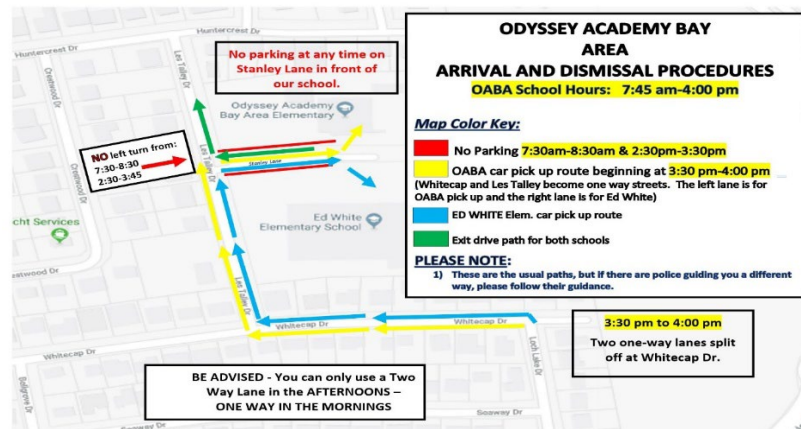
On behalf of the Odyssey Academy- Bay Area faculty and staff, it is my pleasure to welcome everyone back to another great school year! We are excited to have students return to fill our school with excitement and energy. Each student brings unique strengths and talents and make OABA a great school. To ensure all students are prepared for the start of the school year, carefully read the information below.

Campus Information

- Campus doors open at 7:25 a.m. to receive students each morning; please do not leave your students unattended outside of the building prior to 7:25.
- To help students transition smoothly, parents will not be allowed to walk students to class but can walk them up to the outside doors. PreK students will be escorted by a staff member the first week of school.
- Classes begin at 7:45 a.m. each day and end at 4:00 p.m. Please make sure your child is dropped off at school prior to 7:40 a.m. to give them time to make it to class without being late and possibly eat breakfast. If you drop off after 7:45, you **must** sign your student in. Additionally, after 4 tardies lunch detention will be assigned.
- Kinder-4th Students will report to gym upon arrival (they may eat breakfast first in the café, if they choose). - Upon dismissal from the gym, students will be picked up by their classroom teacher.
- Pre-K will report to the classroom.
- Middle School students will report to homeroom and pick up breakfast on the way.

Dismissal

- Dismissal starts promptly at 4:00 p.m.
- Students cannot be picked up early after 3:30, to ensure a smooth and safe dismissal.
- We will not have “Parent Walk Up” for dismissal as in years past to keep the streets passable for both campuses. With the exception of parents that live in the neighborhood.
- If a student is not picked up by 4:20, the students will be sent to A.C.E. and fees apply.



Communication

- We want parents and students to be informed of important upcoming events in all classes. ALL teachers will post a Week at a Glance on one of our various platforms. (Canvas, paper note, or email)
- Please view our campus [PARENT COMMUNICATION PAGE](#) on Tuesday afternoon for the most up to date campus information.
- Request to join or OABA Parent Facebook Page

S.T.E.A.M. Time

- Each day students will have the opportunity to participate in projects, small group instruction, and get additional support from their classroom teacher or a designated staff member.

Food and Nutrition

- Breakfast will be \$1.25 and Lunch will be \$3.20 per meal, unless you qualify for free and reduced lunch. (Reduced Price: \$0.30 for breakfast and \$0.40 for lunch)
- For internal purposes, 100% of students must complete a child nutrition application regardless of results. Please complete it [HERE](#) or turn in the pink application.
- **Parents will be allowed to come for lunch, but cell phones can not be given to students and photos must only be of your student. As always, students/parents are not allowed to share food with other students.** Meetings with teachers and admin must be pre-scheduled by calling the front office.
- Birthdays will be celebrated on Fridays. Parents may bring store bought items or purchase cupcakes from OA for their child's class. (more information on the website)
- Parent visitors are allowed on campus during lunch. However, we asked that cellphones are not used during this time and only pictures of your child can be taken.

Attendance

- Attendance is a priority at OABA. Our goal is 95% or higher. Please make sure you are getting your students to school and on time!

Dress Code

- All dress codes will be enforced beginning August 14, 2023. Please make sure you understand and review these expectations with your students. **Please note that no pullover hoodies or hoods can be worn in the building.**

A.C.E. Fees

\$150.00/month, unless you qualify for free and reduced lunch (Free \$75.00 and Reduced \$100)

Visitors

- All visitors that enter the campus MUST check in through the front office with a driver's license and be listed in Parent Portal.

School Safety Information

- OABA is committed to the safety and security of all staff and students. We will be in compliance with Governor Abbott's charge to TEA and the Texas School Safety Center.
 - All staff and students will be trained in the Standard Response Protocol.
 - El Lago PD will make rounds throughout the day.
 - All exterior doors will remain locked; frequent perimeter checks will be implemented to ensure campus security.
 - Students and staff will participate in ongoing drills throughout the year to practice what to do in emergency situations.

We are committed to the growth of every student, every day at Odyssey Academy- Bay Area. We want to make sure you're off to a great start, so we've put together this letter with some important information. We are thrilled you chose OABA and ready to partner with you. Should you need anything, please reach out to the front office at 281-326-4555. Have a great weekend!

Kindest Regards,

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