



Who has Spirit? OCE Does!

by Emily Killian & Mariella Orthober

We all love spirit days for lots of different reasons, whether it's expressing your creativity or just being able to be ourselves. We asked OCE students what their favorite spirit day was, and you can see the results of our 226 responses in the chart to your right.

These are all great spirit days and we see why they were some of the favorites. We went through the answers to the question, "why did you like that spirit day?" and here a few of the responses from students:

"I like this day because it shows our love of OCE and I just like this school a lot!"

"Because I love matching with my friends ever since my sister left this school."

"I liked this spirit day because I love sports and thought it would be good to have a sports day at school."

Those are all great detailed answers, and there were also a lot of answers we thought were funny. Here are some of our favorites:

"Because it means I can wear pajamas to school!"

"Because I like sports cool!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!"

Thank you to all of the people who contributed to the survey. We appreciate it a lot.

While we think all of the spirit days we have here are awesome and creative, maybe we could have a funny spirit day like "I didn't have any clean clothes" Day where we all get to wear funny, funky mismatched clothes.

If you could make a spirit day, what it would be? Be sure to let us know. KEEP HAVING SPIRIT!!! And fifth graders, do not lose that spirit when you go to middle school!

| Spirit day: | How many students picked it: |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sports team jersey day | 43 |
| Twin day | 33 |
| Comfy clothes day | 32 |
| OCE spirit day | 19 |
| Color wars | 17 |
| Wacky wednesday | 14 |
| Decade day | 13 |
| Royalty day | 10 |
| Candy cane day | 9 |
| Hat day | 8 |
| Winter wonderland | 7 |
| Crazy hair day | 4 |
| Dress to impress | 2 |
| Book character day | 2 |

The Wave Interview: Ms. Regina

by Ellen Banta

Most of us know Ms. Regina. She works in the office and takes care of so much, but not that many people know exactly what she does. Hopefully, you can find that out in this interview with her.

Q: What was your first time working at Olive Chapel like?

Answer: "It was scary but fun. I just wanted to make sure I did a good job with the students."

Q: How long have you been working at Olive Chapel Elementary?

Answer: "This is my seventh year."

Q: What do you do in the office when you are bored?

Answer: "(laughs) There is always something to do in the office so I don't think I have ever been bored while there."

Q: What is your favorite part of working at OCE?

Answer: "The students. I just love watching them grow and it's also sad when they leave after fifth grade and go to middle school. I've actually written every student's graduation certificates for the past seven years."

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All about the 25th Anniversary Parade

by Emily Killian & Elizabeth Pruitt

Olive Chapel celebrated its 25th anniversary with a celebration and a parade!

The parade had at least six representatives from each club. Each club was color coordinated, meaning all the clubs wore a different color so you could tell them apart.



To also show their spirit, each club made a decorative banner for the club that they're in.

Many former principals and assistant principals from OCE came to this amazing celebration, including Dr. Steidinger, Mr. Arce and Mrs. Smith!

The parade was just the beginning of the celebrations. There was a lot of entertainment at the parade and also later in the week.

A carnival was held on Thursday, April 20. There was also a school spirit week here at the school!

We had OCE Spirit Day, Royalty Day, Wacky Wednesday and Color Wars! During color wars, grades either wore red or they wore blue.

Which color did you see the most?

The Wave Interview: Ms. Regina *continued*

Q: How has Olive Chapel changed since you first started working here?

Answer: "Olive Chapel is always a warm loving place. It's gotten larger. When I got here there were about 750 students and now there are over 1,000. We've had to have more staff. There used to be only one principal and one assistant principal and now there is one principal and two assistant principals. We've also had to have more people in the office to take care of the kids."

Q: What is your favorite track schedule and why?

Answer: "I don't have a favorite schedule. If I had to choose it would be track 4 because that's the track my kids were on."

Q: What is the hardest part of working here?

Answer: "It's not that anything is particularly hard, but there are always 1,000 things happening at once, and you have to really be able to think on your feet."

Q: What do you do when you are taking new students and their parents to their new class?

Answer: "I just talked to them about how long I've been working here and how my own children were students here. After that I just take them to common areas like media and S.T.E.M. If the student is nervous I'll tell them that they will be great and I usually check on them throughout the day. I'll also tell them about how long their teacher has been here and what they are like."

Q: What do you do after school?

Answer: "Sometimes I go to a second job at Kohl's because even though working at a school is great, it does not pay a lot. I also like to contribute to the community."



Q: Why did you decide to work at Olive Chapel Elementary?

Answer: "I was working at a bank and I used to sub on my days off at the bank. When I went back to my job at the bank, I was raving about the students. One day my boss asked me why I didn't apply for a job at a school. Then I saw a job offer here to work in the office and I applied for it and Ms. May hired me."

Q: Why do you think your daughter decided to work here?

Answer: "She actually started working here just because we were desperate for help in the CCR department and now she wants to be a CCR teacher. She loved it so much that now she wants to stay."

Note from Ms. Allie: Ms. Regina has a really big heart.

Ms. Regina gave great answers to my questions and I hope the answers answer your questions!