

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

At Odyssey Charter Schools, we celebrate the uniqueness of each student and their family. Using individualization and sound instructional practices, we foster each student's academic achievement and life success.

## **PRINCIPAL'S HIGHLIGHTS**

Our school works to equip students with skills essential for success. We offer a unique experience through our model combining face to face instruction with on-line learning. Accomplishments:

- Development of a personal education program for each student addressing their educational needs with grade level content
- Required family involvement in the education process is achieved with weekly visits from a licensed teacher
- On-campus modern facility
- Utilization of advanced technology in the delivery of instruction both in the home and on campus
- Parent as Teacher (PAT) classes held on campus regularly, and provide model lessons and teaching strategies for parents
- Learning lab on campus to support literacy goals
- Supplemental programs meet students at their skill level and advance according to their individual progress
- Field trips supporting curricular studies and development of school community
- OCS completed the accreditation renewal with AdvanceEd; received 7 commendations

## **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

**GOAL 1:** Students will improve their academic achievement in mathematics as measured by the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium exams and internal benchmarking tools. Improvement in this area will facilitate academic growth and achievement and close academic gaps.

**MEASURABLE OBJECTIVE 1:** Odyssey Elementary will increase the percent of students meeting the adequate growth percentile in mathematics by 10%.

**GOAL 2:** Students will improve their academic achievement in ELA as measured by the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium exams and internal benchmarking tools. Improvement in this area will facilitate academic growth and achievement and close academic gaps.

**MEASURABLE OBJECTIVE 1:** Odyssey Elementary will increase the percent of students meeting the adequate growth percentile in ELA by 10%.

**PARENT COMMUNICATION**

Students enrolled in Odyssey Charter School's elementary program are monitored by a state-licensed teacher. The licensed teacher visits the home for one hour per week to facilitate the student's individualized learning program and to discuss the student's progress. Additional onsite support labs are available for students in support of school-wide literacy goals. Through our unique delivery model, we extend the opportunity for parents to participate in the educational process. OCS also provides training to parents in working with their children at home. Training is provided by a licensed teacher and covers instructional strategies in all subject areas. Computer work and accessing the Internet is vital in this program. OCS maintains an active website providing families with important school-related information and extracurricular activities that are designed to promote positive social interaction between students and families. OCS has a Community Education Department that works to develop opportunities and activities that involve the entire family in the education process.

**CURRICULUM**

OCS utilizes curriculum which follow Nevada Standards, Nevada Academic Core Standards and National Education Standards. Odyssey has clarified and expanded these standards through development of a Curriculum Framework (CF) in the elementary grades. Classroom teachers use these standards as the curricular scope for planning and delivering instruction and for monitoring student learning and progress. Standards utilized by OCS teachers are defined as highly focused, specific areas of instructional emphasis that have been identified as essential for proficiency in identified content areas for students in grades K-5.