

Dear Parents,

Welcome to a new year at OCCS! It is a privilege and honor to have your covenant children enrolled in our Christian School. Along with this privilege comes the pleasure and responsibility of being a Tiger PAWS (Parents and Advocates Willing to Serve) member. The vision of Tiger PAWS is to provide prayer, service opportunities, and financial support for our school because of our commitment to Christian education. Each parent automatically becomes a member and is responsible for various tasks throughout the year.

If you are a new parent at OCCS, this document will provide valuable information about the different Tiger PAWS projects throughout the year. Board members, committee members or a mentor parent will be able to answer any questions that you may have regarding Tiger PAWS responsibilities. Each family is appointed to a particular work group. The new work groups will go into effect in October 2021 and will be in effect until September 2022. A work group list will be on the OCCS website, along with other important Tiger PAWS information. Each week on Thursday an email will list upcoming Tiger PAWS events and responsibilities.

Tiger PAWS is governed by a nine member Executive Board, which is selected in the spring for a three-year term with the terms beginning after the fall OCCS Society meeting. The board meets several times a year, and the meetings will be announced in the weekly email.

We look forward to working together on all our different projects. Together we can serve the Lord and each other.

Our prayer is that serving in Tiger PAWS will be a blessing to you. Enjoy the year and feel free to call us or another board member if you have questions!

In His Service,
Anita Nykamp 2020-2021 President
Kristin Mellema 2021-2022 President
Tiger PAWS

Tiger PAWS Mission and Vision

The mission of Tiger PAWS (Parents and Advocates Willing to Serve) is to build the OCCS community through prayer, service and financial support.

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Tiger PAWS Project Report for 2020-2021

Tiger PAWS Projects	Funds Generated
Apparel Sales	\$ 371.51
Box Tops/Labels	317.50
Casey's Loyalty Program	86.20
Chapel Shirt	-3,060.80
Cookbook	670.00
Fall Frozen Pigs	13,781.68
Interest	12.88
Misc. Expenses	-130.00
School Supplies	2,351.81
Take & Bake Pizzas	4,781.00
Tulip Festival	<u>32,166.61</u>
Total	\$51,478.39

Contribution to OCCS for 2020-2021 -- \$50,000

Tiger PAWS (Parents and Advocates Willing to Serve) September 2021 - September 2022

Tiger PAWS Board

Anita Nykamp	2022	At large, past President
Janna Van Donge	2022	Treasurer
Erin Driesen	2022	At Large
Kristi Reinders	2023	At Large
Brittany Foreman	2023	Treasurer
Kristin Mellema	2023	President
Tracy Cleveringa	2024	At Large
Ang Huisman	2024	Treasurer
Vicki Schrock	2024	Vice President

The PAWS Board meets several times each school year. The date and time of each meeting will be published in the OCCS weekly Tiger PAWS updates. Anyone is welcome to attend.

Tiger PAWS Committee Chairpersons and Co-Chairpersons

Our committees are chaired by volunteers. We need everyone to take a few turns being a chairperson. Each term is 3 years. The Tiger PAWS board selects new committee chairs at a spring meeting. Thank you for servant hearts and using your gifts!

Fall Frozen Pigs - sales in early September, making and delivery in late September. All Tiger PAWS members help with this fundraiser.

Kari & Nathan Bousema	2022
Sarah & Stanley Altemeier	2022
Jenn & Jeremy Mills	2023
Kristin & Micah Van Maanen	2023
Deidra & Jared Ehrp	2024
Kelsey & Allen Oetken	2024

Soup Supper - Winter 2021 - *All work groups are asked to bring food and 2 groups to serve.*

Gina & Joe Poppema	2022
Alissa & Jay Schuiteman	2022
Jenny & Todd Vogel	2022
Alysa & Chad Reitsma	2022
Abby & Lee Van Kley	2023
Rebecca & Harrison Hanson	2023
Tanya & Todd Rowenhorst	2024
Sarah & Chris Van Beek	2024

Tulip Festival - May 2021 - *All work groups needed to work and bring 3 pies*

Tulip Festival - TENT

Janice & Doug Hamming	2022
Rachel & Andrew Harcum	2022
Rachelle & Eric Oordt	2022
Leianna & Jon Hellinga	2022
Janeen & John Klompfen	2023
Nancy & Brian Kroeze	2023
Melissa & Loren Dykstra	2023
Sarah & Dave Kuiper	2023
Erin & Josh Christians	2024
Holly & Eric De Vries	2024
Laura & Nick Scholten	2024
Tonia & Matt Zwart	2024

Tulip Festival - PIGS

Amber & Schuyler Noteboom	2022
Tracy & Kyle Wiuff	2022
Starla & Ryan Hamming	2023
Teri & Derek Poppema	2023
Rebecca & Steve Bogaard	2024
Kim & Brady Goslinga	2024

Tulip Festival - SOUP & TAVERN

Elsa & Braden Kooiker	2022
Roni & Travis De Groot	2022
Sabrina & Randy Smit	2023
Teresa Ter Haar & Dan Young	2023
Beth Noordewier	2023
Anna & Caleb De Groot	2024
Dori & Derek De Groot	2024

Tulip Festival - STRAATMARKET

Dana & Josh Pluim	2022
Roxy & Joshua Dykstra	2022
Sandra & Garry Nyenhuis	2023
Tami & Travis De Jong	2023
Amber & Luke Perry	2024
Lindsey & Matt Van Schepen	2024

Apparel: - *Chairs rotate early summer*

Rachel & Jeremy Oolman	2022
Jen & Mark Wielenga	2023
Gina & Mark Zylstra	2024

School Supplies / Kitchen: - *responsible for school supplies in August and maintaining Tiger PAWS supplies in the shed and kitchen supplies throughout the year*

Kim & Aaron Huizenga	2022
Amber & Ethan Huizenga	2023
Tonya & Jonathan Pontier	2024

Grade Level Coordinator Administrator

Christina & Nate Zuiderveen	2022
Shirley & Jeff Taylor	2023
Sheri & Jason Hansen	2024

What are my Tiger PAWS responsibilities?

1. September - **OCCS Society Meeting** - attend to hear Tiger PAWS update and financials. Any vote (if needed) would take place at this meeting.
2. October / November - **fall frozen pigs** fundraiser. All members sell and help make pigs.
3. February - **Soup Supper** - watch weekly Tiger PAWS update via email for assignments. If your work group does not work at the soup supper you will be asked to bring soup or tavern.
4. April - help make **Pig-in-the-blankets** for Tulip Festival on one of two designated nights.
5. May - **Tulip Festival** - sign up to work a shift via the signup.com link sent out by the committee. Also bring 3 pies on the day of your shift.
6. Fulfill the responsibility of the work group you are assigned to.

Tiger PAWS Work Groups run from October 2021 to September 2022.

Please check the work group list so you know which group you are assigned to. Trade with someone in another work group if your work group will not work for you.

Tiger PAWS Events

All Tiger PAWS events have volunteer chairpersons. The work groups referred throughout are put together by the Tiger PAWS Board. Look for more information regarding these events as they take place in the weekly email Tiger PAWS update.

Fall Frozen Pigs

In 2020, we tried a new fundraiser - selling frozen pig-in-the-blankets! It was a wonderful success, and the feedback from the spring 2021 survey was very positive, so we plan to do that again this fall. All families participate in making pigs. The committee's goal is to sell and make 1500 dozen pigs!

Soup Supper

The annual Tiger PAWS Soup Supper is held in late January or early February. This event is an opportunity to enjoy food and fellowship with friends, family, neighbors and the community. The meal consists of several kinds of soup, hot dogs, tavern, pies, and desserts. Recipes for soup and tavern are provided. Either your work group chairperson will contact you or detailed information will be in the weekly Tiger PAWS update.

Pig-in-the-Blankets

In the spring, Tiger PAWS members are asked to make thousands of pig-in-the-blankets. These are used for the two Tulip Festival stands. This is a unique item that draws many people to our Festival stands. The Pig-In-the-Blanket committee is in charge of organizing this event along with finding workers to bake the pigs at the Tulip Festival and deliver them to each stand throughout each day. All Tiger PAWS members participate in one of the two nights of making pig-in-the-blankets. Pigs left over after Tulip Festival are kept frozen and can be purchased throughout the year by contacting a committee member.

Tulip Festival

The Tiger PAWS tent at the Tulip Festival is the biggest fundraiser for Tiger PAWS and takes the full cooperation from each member. The tent is located in the Iowa State Bank parking lot. Each family works a shift of a few hours some time during the Festival (either parent can take this shift). Some of the jobs available are cashier, serving, dishwashing, cutting pies, serving drinks, and waitressing. Members are also asked to bring 3 pies to the tent on the day of their shift. Tiger PAWS also sponsors a stand in the Straatmarket. It serves almond bars and pig-in-the-blankets. It is chaired by Tiger PAWS members, but the workers are generally associate members.

Year Round PAWS Projects

Apparel/Promotional Sales

The Apparel/Promotional Sales committee develop apparel to help promote OCCS in the community as well as generate pride and support for our school and its students. The committee chooses the clothing item and style to be made available for the school year as well as what design to be screen printed on the shirts. They will then advertise the clothing, take orders and distribute the items to those ordering them.

Labels For Learning and Box Tops for Education

Labels for Learning is a fundraiser that encourages all parents, grandparents and friends of OCCS to use the app "Boxtops for Education" to scan receipts and get automatic credit to OCCS for the products that qualify.

Grade Level Coordinator Administrator (GLC)

The GLC Committee will organize a grade level coordinator (GLC) for each classroom at fall registration and provide ongoing support for GLC's throughout the school year. They will update a profile folder for each teacher for the GLC's to use as a reference, provide information regarding Duty Free Lunches (DFL) and information on use of classroom funds for gifts for teachers.

School Supplies & Kitchen Committee

The school supplies and kitchen committee tasks:

1. Arranging school supplies sales and ordering available at registration nights in August
2. Annually cleaning coffee pots and roasters
3. Organizing and tracking inventory in the Tiger PAWS Building twice a year
4. Coordinating with the OCCS head cook for use of OCCS supplies and equipment
5. Managing the use of Tiger PAWS equipment by outside groups (i.e. church use of coffee pots, etc.)