Dear South Davis Families,

The OPCSD is proudly participating in **The Great Kindness Challenge of 2025!** It is a week long program dedicated to creating a culture of kindness and compassion in communities worldwide from **January 23-31**. Did you know that deliberate acts of kindness can lead to increased happiness?

To help our South Davis students practice kindness and put their compassion into action, we will be having Spirit Days to encourage all students to complete as many acts of kindness as possible at school and outside of school, too! To help keep the conversation going, and hopefully inspire acts of kindness, you will find a checklist of possible ideas on the back of this paper. During January 21-27 Health and Wellness Classes, the students will be talking about what it means to be kind. They will create paper flowers to pair with the Staff Valentine Cookies for Community Citizens (Fire department/ Police/ town offices/ food pantry volunteers/ assisted living facilities). Our focus in school will be "Cafeteria Kindness". The cafeteria monitors will be acknowledging kind acts by putting student's names on a heart to be displayed on a bulletin board in the cafeteria. The students will also be featured on SDTV. Together, let's lift each other up, cheer each other on, and show the world that KINDNESS MATTERS!

Sincerely, All of the South Davis Elementary Staff

## #Great Kindness Challenge



## ORCHARD PARK CSD

GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE 2025 SPIRIT DAYS

Friday 1/24/25 Kickoff to Kindness!	Monday 1/27/25	Tuesday 1/28/25	Wed 1/29/25	Thursday 1/30/25	Friday 1/31/25
Quaker Kindness Day	Shine Bright With Kindness	Crazy For Kindness	Lunar New Year	Team Up For Kindness	Dream Of A Kinder World
Wear OP Gear	Wear Neon Colors	Dress Mismatched	NO SCHOOL	Wear Your Favorite Sports Gear	Wear PJ's



## Create a kinder world.

Take a week, a month or a year.
Have fun and complete as many
acts of kindness as you can.
Your Kindness Matters!

## **Kind Acts**

☐ Smile at 25 people	☐ Thank a bus driver
□ Take a treat to your local firefighters	<ul> <li>Leave a flower on someone's doorstep</li> </ul>
Do a household chore without being asked	<ul> <li>Be kind to yourself and eat a healthy snack</li> </ul>
□ Donate something to an animal shelter	<ul> <li>Call your grandparents or esteemed elder</li> </ul>
☐ Read a book to a younger child	Walk or bike instead of driving
Make a thank you card for your librarians	☐ Say "Thank you" to a police officer
□ Entertain someone with a happy dance	Bake cookies and share with your neighbors
□ Create a family gratitude jar	□ Say "Good Morning" to 5 people
Cheer for every player on both teams	<ul> <li>Pick up and recycle trash in your neighborhood</li> </ul>
Deliver a special gift to a child in the hospital	□ Take a family walk outside
■ Make a new friend or welcome a new neighbor	Draw a heart in the sand or dirt
Send a card or gift to a military family	Write a thank you note to your mail carrier
□ Walk or pet an animal - but ask first!	Make a wish for a child in another country
□ Go a full day without complaining	□ Volunteer in your community
☐ Hold the door open for someone	□ Say "Hi" to someone who looks sad
Learn to say "Thank you" in a new language	□ Write a happy message with sidewalk chalk
□ Embrace your family with a big hug	□ Paint a kindness rock and randomly place it
□ Teach something to a younger sibling or friend	Share food with someone who is hungry
□ Write or draw a loving note for someone	☐ Sincerely compliment 5 people
Make and display a "Kindness Matters" sign	□ Post a positive message on social media
□ Raise funds and donate to your favorite cause	□ Let someone go ahead of you in line
□ Watch the sunrise or sunset together	☐ Help plant a garden
□ Breathe, stretch and think a happy thought	☐ Reflect on kindness you witnessed during the day
Cut out 10 hearts and leave them on 10 cars	□ Create your own kind deed





