

OUR LADY OF LAKE HURON

September 2019 Newsletter

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09/06 Early Release Friday; Dismissal @ 1:30

09/10 3rd Grade to Project Red

09/12 School Mass – 7th Grade

09/13 Early Release Friday; Dismissal @ 1:30

09/16 Home School Council Meeting; 6:00
PM in Library

09/18 7th & 8th Grade to STEM CAREER FAIR

09/19 School Mass – 6th Grade

09/19 School Committee Meeting; 6:00 PM in
Library

09/20 Early Release Friday; Dismissal @ 1:30

09/26 Communion Service 1st/2nd Grades

09/27 Early Release Friday; Dismissal @ 1:30



NEW FACES

Please join me in welcoming our new students and their families to OLLH.

Ms. Chelsea Lasceski – Kindergarten

Ms. Sheri Efird – 6th Grade Homeroom & 6th – 8th
Science and Social Studies

Mrs. Ashley Roggenbuck – 8th Grade Homeroom &
6th – 8th Grade ELA

Each of these teachers has a connection to OLLH.

Ms. Lasceski is a former student and taught in the pre-school program with Mrs. Will, Mrs. Mazure and staff. Ms. Efird is also a former OLLH student. Most recently, she taught in long-term substitute teaching positions at HBCS. Prior to this Ms. Efird taught in North Carolina with 30 years of experience. Finally, Mrs. Roggenbuck is a familiar face to us at OLLH. She filled-in during the 2016-2017 school year as 3rd grade teacher. She comes with a strong ELA skillset. We are happy and excited to have all three of these teachers with us at OLLH. They bring their experiences, skills, and love for teaching.

THANK YOU

A special thank you to Mr. Mark Gembarski and Heather Lawhorn, along with the teaching faculty and support staff, Jess Siemen and Joani Yingling. They have worked hard in preparing OLLH for the new school year. It is with always with anxious anticipation that these dedicated individuals work to ready the school for the children.



WELCOME

We welcome 13 Kindergarten students to OLLH this school year. Ms. Lasceski will make the transition from Pre-K to the “big school” an easy one for the younger children. At this time, we have 94 students at OLLH which includes five families new to our school.

OLLH OPEN HOUSE

Thank you to the teaching staff, members of the Home-School Council and Mrs. Theresa Hessling for organizing and hosting the OLLH Open House in my absence. I heard that it was a success and a wonderful way for children and families to get acclimated prior to the new school year!

MIDDLE SCHOOL REMINDERS

- Mrs. Roggenbuck reminds 6th, 7th and 8th grade parents that book orders are due tomorrow, Friday, 9/6. When ordering on-line, please use the following class code: QQG77.
- For 7th and 8th grade students to attend the STEM Career Fair on September 18, we are still in need of two (2) drivers/chaperones. **Unfortunately, if we do not have drivers by Friday afternoon, 9/6/19, we will have to cancel OLLH's participation in this event.**

VIRTUS TRAINING

Please consider participating in Virtus Training. This training is required by the Diocese of Saginaw for anyone working with and/or volunteering time to work with the children in our school. Chaperones for field trips must have this training. There are trainings planned in the future at nearby parishes and churches. A list of these sessions was e-mailed to parents. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Goulet or Mrs. Siemen. Thank you.

DRESS CODE

Though the School Committee will be reviewing and revising the dress code to clarify the expectations at the next meeting on September 19. Please take a moment to review the expectations for student dress below which is taken from the school handbook which can be found on the website.

Dress Code

The general appearance of each student should reflect care and neatness. The education of each individual student is recognized as a primary value to be respected by appropriate and moderate dress and appearance by the students at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic School.

General Expectations Appropriate to a Catholic School Setting

- *The dress code pertains to kindergarten through eighth grade students.*
- *Shoes with backs/back straps and socks/tights must be worn in school.*
- *Hats may not be worn indoors.*
- *The dress code applies to all school days except those designated as special dress days.*
- *No athletic pants/athletic shorts may be worn except those designated as special days.*
- *Neat trousers, slacks and jeans may be worn. No ripped/frayed jeans except those designated as special days.*
- *Shorts may be worn according to parent's/student's discretion, understanding that recess will be held outdoors unless there is rain.*
- *While shirts may have patterned designs on them, graphics and words should be appropriate to a Catholic School settings.*
- *Sweatshirts may be worn in school, but must be worn over a shirt that meets dress code requirements.*
- *Leggings may be worn under a dress, tunic or skirt that fulfills dress code requirements.*
- *Students are not allowed to wear blue jeans or shorts of any nature to Mass.*
- *Skirts, dresses, and shorts may not be more than three (3) inches above the knee of the student wear-*

ing them.

- *Tunics must reach fingertips of the student.*
- *Sleeveless shirts/tops must be a minimum of three (3) finger widths of the student with a sewn hem*

Clothes which do not show a level of modesty expected at a Catholic School will not be permitted.

FRIDAYS ARE DRESS DOWN DAYS...

Students may wear t-shirts with school appropriate graphics and athletic pants.

Life touch

For your planning

School Picture Day will take place on Thursday, October 17, 2019 following school mass. More information will be sent home as we get closer to this date.

REMINDER

If you have not yet done so, please have all of the important paperwork that was sent home on the first day of school ready to return as soon as possible. It is important that we have emergency cards filled-out completely with all contact phone numbers. Thank you for your help in this matter.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

Creating a positive learning and safe learning environment is the top priority for a school administrator. Here at Our Lady of Lake Huron School, we follow PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) for student behavior expectations. This research-based model has a proven success track record. Last year, there were only 4 referrals to the principal's office and each of the infractions were minor. This speaks to the expectations for learning that are set by parents and teachers. Our student scholars are successful because the important adults in their lives teach and expect appropriate school behavior. Thank you!

REMINDE TEXT MESSAGING

Please consider signing-up REMIND. This messaging systems is used for quick reminders, school cancellation notices and other items that may come up during the school year. There may be a charge for data depending upon your cellphone carrier. Directions were sent in an e-mail to all parents.

OLLH MISSION STATEMENT

Rooted in our Catholic faith, Our Lady of Lake Huron Schools nurtures character through service, promotes academic excellence, and develops Christ-centered virtues.