



PTO NEWSLETTER

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The OLA PTO would like to welcome new and returning families. Our Lady's Academy is a supportive community where students are able to grow academically and socially with positive guidance from our faculty, parents and guardians. The beginning of a new school year can bring a lot of excitement along with some nervous jitters. The PTO is here to try and ease some of those jitters while we all settle in for an amazing year. We hope everyone has a wonderful start to the 2019-2020 school year!

Join us for the first PTO Meeting
September 11th @ 7:30 pm in the Conference Room
(across from the main office)

ptoboard@ourladyacademy.org



From Father DiPerri

Almighty God, I ask your continued blessing upon Our Lady's Academy, as we begin a new school year. Bless each family, child, faculty member, and the overall parish community. Thank you for sustaining us as a community over many years. Shower your blessings and mercies upon us, renew us in faith, and keep us close in your love. May the prayers of Mary, our mother, draw us closer to you. May the Father's will be done in all we do, that the Name of Jesus Christ be proclaimed, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, help renew humanity in acknowledging your ways and will in how we live. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Room Parents Needed

What is a Room Parent Responsible for?

Room Moms and Dads serve as the critical {magical} liaison between the teacher and class parents. Depending on OLA school policies and teacher preferences—your duties may include:

- Organizing teacher gifts throughout the school year
- Attend PTO meetings when possible (This is the best way to learn what's going on in school)
- Coordinating volunteers and donations for class parties and events
- Coordinating and Booking Class Field Trip with the teacher

Your room parent coordinator is in place to help you throughout the year!

Questions? Reach out to the coordinator:
Monica Rojas Cuellar
moni994404@aol.com

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- 9/3** 1st day of school K-8, early dismissal 11:30 am
- 9/5** 1st day of school Pre-K – TK
- 9/6** 1st Friday Mass, 9 am
- 9/10** New Parent Orientation, 6:30 pm
- 9/11** PTO Meeting 7:30 pm
- 9/16** Curriculum Night, 5:30 pm
- 9/20** PTO Tag Day (Free Dress)
- 9/21** Middle School Dance, 7-9 pm



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UNIFORM SWAP OPEN FOR BUSINESS



The uniform swap continues during normal office hours until Friday, August 30.

During the school year, second hand uniforms are stored in the Second Hand Clothes/Lost and Found closet near the Chapel. During the month of August, we are using the space in front of the closet to organize and display the clothing making it easier than ever to find what you are looking for.

We also want to invite families to donate gently used sporting gear and equipment, dance and gymnastics attire etc that your kids have outgrown and that families would normally be purchasing in the Fall. These items will be sold for \$5 a piece.

Items accepted include:

- Our Lady's Academy uniform and accessories
- School accessories (shoes, totes, backpacks)
- Sporting equipment (cleats, skates, gloves, pads, bats, sticks, helmets)
- Dance and Performance (skating, ballet, gymnastics etc)

You can continue to drop off donations of gently used uniform and sporting equipment in the box outside the main entrance at anytime.

All remaining uniform items will go back into the second hand closet where you can access it all year round. The leftover sporting equipment and gear will be donated.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara at barbara.brouckaert@gmail.com

JOIN THE



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Our Lady's Academy PTO is an organization intended to include ALL Our Lady's Academy parents and guardians, in support of the teachers' efforts at educating our children. While our teachers and other Our Lady's Academy staff members are charged with meeting and exceeding their students' educational needs, we, the PTO work to further enhance that education through enrichment efforts that also help foster community spirit.

We invite new and returning parents to consider joining the PTO in any capacity you can accommodate. The school events can only run if parents get involved. It also creates a stronger community when more voices are heard and parents join together with a common goal.

Email us at ptoboard@ourladyacademy.org to find out more!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

DANCE

6th, 7th, and 8th Graders

SEPTEMBER 21ST, 7-9 PM • OLA GYM

\$10 Per Student

DJ, Photo Booth & Fun • Pizza & Water Included

PASSIVE FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

amazon smile

Go to smile.amazon.com using your existing account and choose Our Lady's Academy for your charity. The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our school.



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip and send them to school. Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. If you see the new logo, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. Box Tops are still worth 10¢ each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.



Sign in to your account (or register for an account) to link your Stop & Shop Card to Our Lady's Academy.

OCTOBER EVENTS

- 10/1 Blessing of the Animals, 8:30 am
- 10/2 Early Dismissal, 11:30 am
- 10/4 First Friday Mass & Rosary 9 am
- 10/9 PTO Meeting, 7:30 pm
- 10/11 School Pictures (Pre-K Free Dress)
- 10/14 Columbus Day - No school
- 10/18 PTO Tag Day (Free Dress)
- 10/26 Halloween Party, 5:30-7:30 pm
- 10/28 School Pictures (K-8 Free Dress)