

Summer Mailing

“Securing Each Child’s Future—Making Disciples”
July 2010

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

I would like to greet all of our school families in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. I especially want to welcome all of the new families to Our Savior Lutheran School (OSLS). I am very excited about our upcoming school year and know you share this enthusiasm as well. Hopefully the information in this *summer mailing* will assist you in preparing for the start of the new school year.

Our school’s theme for 2010-2011 school year is “Securing Each Child’s Future - Making Disciples”. It is based on John 8:31-32, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” This theme is very exciting for us as a family of believers as we build a foundation of faith in our students. It is comforting to know that in a world that defines truth through personal preferences and feelings, there really is one source of truth and it is certainly found in Jesus Christ. It will be our joy as teachers to share this truth with our students on a daily basis, equipping them to go out and share this truth with you and others.

Classroom Openings

Presently, OSLS has availability in all classrooms, except 7th and 8th grade. God has seen fit to fill this classroom through the enrollment of four new students. If you know of anyone who is interested in a quality Christian education for their children, please have them contact me at 952-474-5181, ext. 19, and I will be happy to share with them our excellent school. You may also take them to our website, www.oslcs.org, and share with them the short video about our school on the home page. You are the best recruitment tool we have, so please share the good news about our school with your neighbors, family, and friends.

Registration and School Clean-Up Day – August 19

Registration is open from 4-7pm

This is an opportunity for all parents to take care of:

- Annual/Semi-annual tuition and PIP payments
- Lunch/Milk payments; Complete Septembers Lunch Order
- Hand in enclosed Free/Reduced Application (if applicable)
- Returning families; Update Emergency Information on Fast Direct
- New Families turn in Emergency Information; Sign Photo Policy
- Sign “State Funding” Forms from MTKA School District
- Sign up for fall sports; Pay any athletic fees
- Buy gym shirt as required for 5th through 8th grade
- Sign up for band
- Purchase Scrip Gif Cards

School Clean-up is from 6-8pm

Parents and students of our K-8 grade are invited to participate in preparing the classrooms with their teachers! This is our first PIP (Parent Involvement Program) opportunity for the year. Volunteers will have the opportunity to wash desks and chairs, pass

August Calendar at a Glance

19 4 -7pm Registration Day
19 6 - 8pm School Clean Up
23-27 Classroom/Home Visits (K-8)
31 7:45am **K-8 begins school**
Opening Chapel at 8:00am

September Calendar at a Glance

1 *Back to School Night* - 6:30pm
1,2,3 Alternate Transportation Days
(No busing available)
3 *Early Release @ 11am* K-8
Ex. Care / Child Care Open
6 No School - Labor Day
Office Closed
7 **PRESCHOOL Begins**
14 School pictures
21 K-8 Open House, 6:30pm
25 - Oct. 2
D.C. Trippers (7/8 grade class trip to
Washington, D.C.)

Enclosed you will find:

- 2010-2011 Calendar (www.oslcs.org)
- Supply Lists (www.oslcs.org)
- Extended Care Forms (if applicable)
- PIP Statements
- Hot Lunch/Snack Milk Letter
- Free/Reduced Lunch Applications
- Photo Policy (for new students)
- Athletic Letter
- Emergency Card (new students only)
- Fundraising Pledge Form
- Busing Reimbursement Application (if applicable)
- Immunization Letter (if needed)
- Spanish Enrichment announcement
- Artist in Residence announcement

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out textbooks, put up bulletin boards, clean windows and lockers, and other wonderful tasks that help make the school sparkle for that first day of school.

Food Service News

OSLS will once again be partnering with Lancer Dining Services for our hot lunch meals. They provided a great variety of healthy meals to our students last year, and we look forward to the meals for this year. Lunch prices remain the same this school year. Preschool – 5th at \$3.00, 6th– 8th and adults at \$3.25. You may learn more about Lancer Dining Services by visiting their website, www.lancerdining.com.

PIP Service Hours and Opportunities

PIP (Parent Involvement Program) is a program that gets parents involved in supporting their children and their education at OSLS. Each family is required to deposit \$200 (\$100 for a single parent family) and donate 20 service hours (10 hours for a single parent family) to the school. Once the total number of required service hours is met, the deposit will be refunded to the parents. Some examples of PIP service projects include: classroom aide, art aide, lunch server, Booster Club, coaching, referee, library helper, office assistant, front desk attendee, Book Fair volunteer, building and grounds maintenance, photography, technology team member, and Board of Education member.

First Day of School

The 2010-2011 School year begins on Tuesday, August 31, at 7:45am! Our Opening Chapel Service will begin at 8:00 in the sanctuary. Parents are invited to stay and help us begin the new school year with praise and prayer. Bus service for our MTKA residence does not begin until September 7. The MTKA Transportation Department will send out the bus schedules sometime after August 15.

Back to School Night

The Board of Education invites all our school families to Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 1, 2010, from 6-8pm. This is a great time to meet the entire faculty, learn about the school's fund raising efforts, receive a School Handbook, learn to use Fast Direct, and enjoy a delicious Dessert Bar hosted by the BOE members themselves. Please watch for more details as the date approaches.

Teacher Assignments

Kindergarten: Mrs. Tammy Limmel, Ext. 17
1st Grade: Mrs. Linda Bergan, Ext. 35
2nd Grade: Mrs. Kathy Rosamond, Ext. 36
3rd/4th Grade: Mrs. Laabs/Mr. Limmel, Ext. 32
5th/6th Grade: Mr. David Zittergruen, Ext. 37
7th/8th Grade: Mrs. Muriel Stark, Ext. 43

Departmentalized Classes

Physical Education Mr. Joe Aurich, Ext. 31
Spanish Mrs. Arlene Mickols, Ext. 33

Fundraising Pledge Form

Fundraising is an integral part of sustaining and growing a Christian educational program. The funds that are raised through the efforts of the entire school family help to support new textbooks, scholarship grants, technology equipment, software, and web tools, as well as new materials and science equipment. This year's family pledge form is suggesting that a minimum of \$300/student or \$400/family be raised in an effort to raise a grand total of \$15,000. This year's efforts will include Sally Foster, a Winter Indoor Marathon, the Silent Auction, Target Visa, and Scrip Sales, as well as several other opportunities. All pledge forms are to be turned into the school office by September 3. Parents will again receive quarterly statements to keep you up-to-date on the fulfillment of your pledge.

Immunizations

Children entering kindergarten must have proof in our office that all of their immunizations are up-to-date. If you have any concerns about whether your child's immunizations are current, please contact your child's doctor. Boosters are required for 7th grade students. Please contact your doctor with any questions. Students without proper documentation of their immunizations will not be allowed to attend classes. This is MN state law.

In Closing

I look forward to seeing all of you on August 19 for *Registration and School Clean-up*. I also look forward to beginning the *new school year* with you on August 31st and our *Back to School Night* on September 1. Until then, may God bless your enjoyment of summer and keep you in His care.

Blessings, Mr. Limmel