

Falcon Flyer

SEPTEMBER 4, 2017

2017-2018 TESTING

Testing will begin in September and we wanted to give you the range of dates that have been given to us.

Office for Catechetical Formation & Education
NWEA – Measures of Academic Progress (MAP)
Testing Window for ALL Elementary Schools

FALL

September 11, 2017 – September 29, 2017

WINTER

January 8, 2018 – January 26, 2018

SPRING

April 23, 2018 – May 11, 2018

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

AIR (American Institute for Research)
OAA (Ohio Achievement Assessments)

Ohio's State Tests in English language arts,
mathematics, and science

FALL TESTING

Grade 3 English language arts – October 23, 2017 –
November 3, 2017

SPRING TESTING

Grades 3-8 English language arts – March 26, 2018 – April
20, 2018

Grades 3-8 Mathematics – April 9, 2018 – April 30, 2018

Grades 5 & 8 Science - April 9, 2018 – April 30, 2018

Please note that the Social Studies test for
4th and 6th grade has been eliminated.

OPENING PACKETS-PLEASE TURN IN

Please continue to turn in your paperwork from the packets you received for the opening of school. There is a great deal of important information that we need to have on file in the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

WASHINGTON D.C.

Our 8th grade trip to Washington D.C. has been set for April 18, 19 and 20th. We would like to start a parent committee to help with fundraising for the trip. Please read the letter on the last page of the Flyer for more info.

TESTING

To the left, you can see the range of dates for testing for our 2017-2018 school year. We narrow down these dates according to what works best for our schedule. We are hoping to have the children test during their normal computer class time. We will let you know the exact dates, when we have that finalized.

FALL FUNDRAISER

Tomorrow, September 6, our United Fundraising rep, Mr. Joe Shneeberger, will be at school to kick-off our annual magazine and candy bar sale. Thank you in advance for your participation.

NOTE: The proceeds from candy bars sales of 8th graders will be credited directly to their account for their trip to Washington D.C. We will do the same for 7th graders, for their 7th grade field trip in the spring.

DIGITAL ACADEMY

Mandatory Enrollment

Thank you to all who have signed in and registered on the Digital Academy. If you were not able to sign-in at Curriculum Night and did not receive your log-in information, you should have received it by mail. Please be sure to follow the directions. The Digital Academy is where you will find your child's grades as they are posted. It will also be our primary method of communication via email and text. We cannot tell you how important it is that you sign-in and register. If you need help, please stop in at the school and we will assist. Thank you for your help!

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

On the next page you will see a map that details drop-off and pick-up procedures. Things have been going well so far this year. There are few things that we need to point out and ask for your cooperation.

1. Under no circumstances should cars be turning left into any of our parking lot entrances. This is very hazardous. We ask that you come down any of the side streets off of Lakeshore and proceed south on East 201. This will take you up to the parking lot where you can make a right hand turn.
2. When you exit, please use the middle drive for left hand turns only. People turning right should use the driveway that is right by Lakeshore Blvd. Cars exiting this way, should only be turning right on Lakeshore Blvd! When you attempt to turn left, it bottlenecks all traffic.
3. In the afternoon, please wait for the buses to leave before attempting to exit out the middle driveway. We make every effort to load the buses quickly and get them on their way.
4. Please be aware and careful of our preschoolers in the morning and afternoon as our parents park and walk them to and from the building

It is amazing how quickly the parking lot clears out. If everyone is patient and follows these directions, we should have no problems. We find that in the afternoon, the lot is cleared in about 10 minutes! It is really not bad.

Thank you as always for your kind help and cooperation.

INDOOR RECESS

Our Preschool through 2nd graders will enjoy a movie in the hall when there is indoor recess. Indoor recess is normally called, when weather conditions do not allow us to go out. These movies will be Disney movies with a rating of G for general audiences. Last week we watched a little bit of *Moana*. We had quite a sing-a-long in the lunchroom!

STUDENT COUNCIL

We sent home forms with our 7th and 8th graders regarding Student Council. We have had many interested in running for office! Thank you and we look forward to our upcoming campaign.

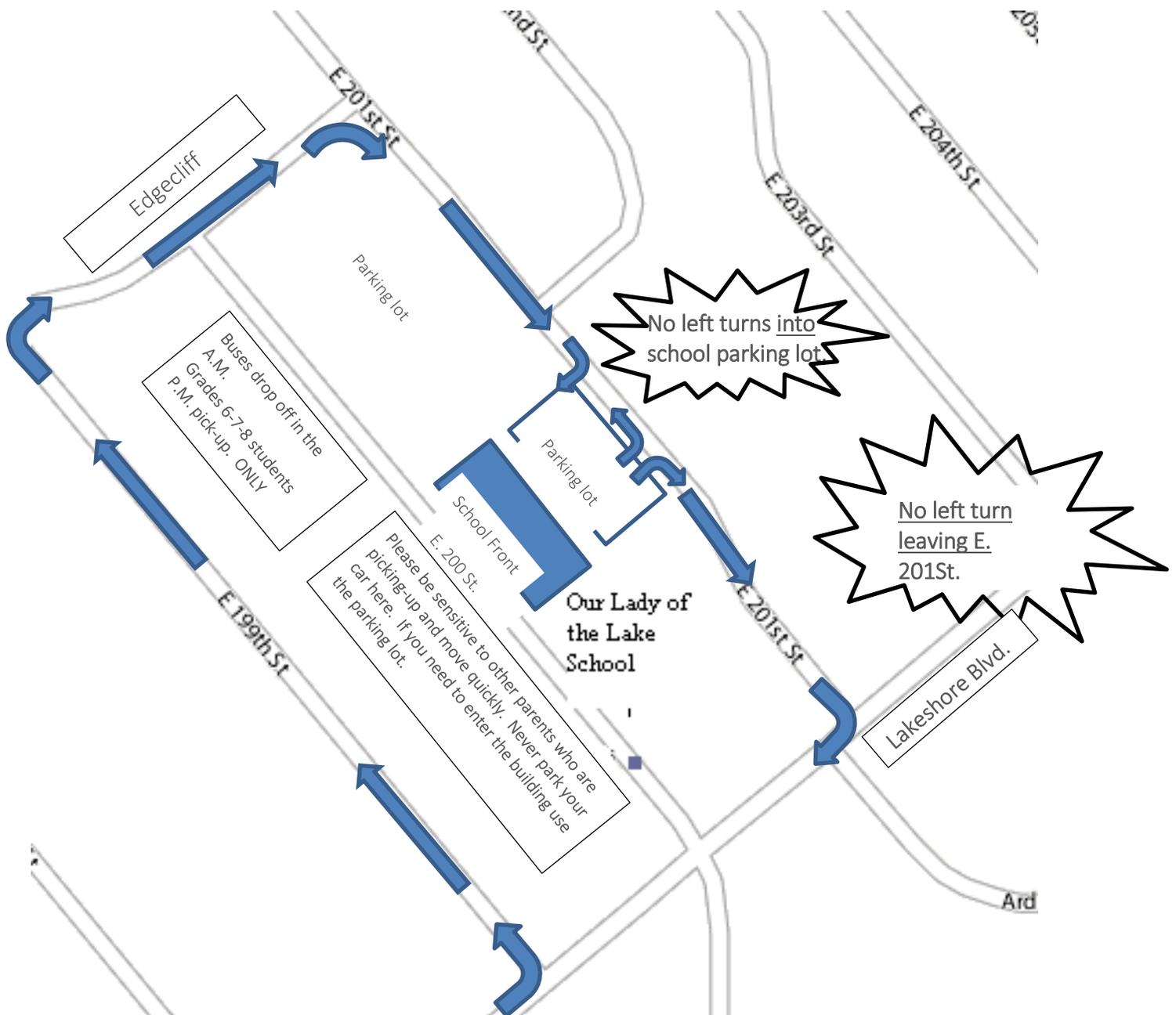
NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

We are starting a chapter of the National Junior Honor Society here at Our Lady of the Lake School. The National Junior Honor Society in its constitution states:

“The purpose of this organization shall be to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, to develop character.”

We will keep you posted on the progress of our chapter and let you know about membership, selection criteria, meetings and activities.





Please follow the above diagram when dropping off and picking up your children. Enter E. 199TH St. (or any available side street) from Lake Shore Boulevard, proceed north to Edgecliff Dr. Turn right on Edgecliff and right again onto E. 201 St. Make a right turn into the school parking lot and pull up as far as you can. Children should exit their cars from the right (passenger side) of the car. Parents need to stay in their vehicles. Please have children ready to exit the car so you don't hold up the line. Turn right to leave the parking lot and turn right again at Lake Shore Boulevard. Turning left onto Lakeshore causes congestion and delays movement of the entire line. You may turn left out of the parking lot onto East 201st. Please note that these directions are the same for afternoon/after school pick-up for students in grades K-5. We ask that you do not turn left onto East 201st until the school buses have left! We make every effort to get them on their way as quickly as possible. Trying to turn left when the buses are present is extremely difficult and dangerous. Students in grades 6-7-8 should once again be picked up on East 200th Street.

WE WOULD ASK THAT EVERYONE BEHAVE KINDLY AND RESPECTFULLY TO STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE OUTSIDE OFFERING ASSISTANCE. THANK YOU!



Class of 2018

Dear Parents,

September 2017

Welcome back from summer break and hello to the Class of 2018! It's hard to believe that our babies are full-fledged teenagers now and just a year away from their high school career. There will be some very exciting milestones for our children in the 8th grade and it will be fun to watch them have some new experiences.

One of the most exciting things that will happen this spring is the 8th grade trip to Washington DC. For many of these students, this will be their first time away from home and experiencing our nation's capital. In years' past, fundraising has taken place throughout the school year to reduce the cost of this trip. I would like to head up the fundraising committee for this and would like to ask for help from every 8th grade parent. Please join me on **Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 7pm in the school (8th grade classroom)** for a DC Fundraising meeting. We will be talking about fundraising ideas, forming committees and getting volunteer commitments from our parents. If you cannot attend this meeting, please contact me with your name, email and phone number, along with any fundraising ideas and your volunteer availability.

The second reason for this letter is to ask for your help on a photo project that will be presented at graduation. I would like to ask parents to share pictures of your 8th grader during their time at Our Lady of the Lake School. I would like to ask that each family send at least one picture of your child. Single pictures of your child is great, but pictures with fellow students are even better! You can email a jpeg to me or send an original photo in care of your child. When sending an original photo, please indicate if you need it returned to you. Whether digital or original, please list the names of the children in the photo, the year taken and what grade they were in. If your child and the students in the pictures are Legacies of OLLS (K-8th grade), please make sure to note that as well. Feel free to send these to me throughout the year, as it will give me time to edit and categorize them. If you do not want your child included in the photo project please contact me to let me know.

Thank you so much for your help and cooperation. Here's to making the 2017-2018 school year memorable for our 8th graders!

Best,

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