



# Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

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Weekly Bulletin

October 8, 2020

## Calendar Links



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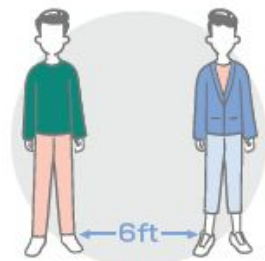
Oct. 16 No School  
~Teacher Inservice  
Day

[EVENTS CALENDAR](#)



With the confirmation of a positive case of COVID-19 this week, questions have arisen about how we determine a close contact when a student or staff member has tested positive for COVID-19. We determine these contacts with the help of the Hamilton County Public Health official assigned to OLG. The following information is taken from the Hamilton County School Reference Guide for COVID-19, and it explains the process we use to determine close contacts.

## CLOSE CONTACTS



Avoid close contact

A close contact is any individual (e.g., students or staff members) that has been within six feet of a case of COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more during the infectious period.

Identifying close contacts begins 48 hours before the onset of symptoms or 48 hours before the date of the COVID-19 test if the individual never developed symptoms of COVID-19. These close contacts will include students and staff members with or without face coverings.

Hamilton County Public Health's COVID-19 Outbreak Response Team and the Point of Contact at the school will work together to determine who will be considered a close contact.

Reporting Dates: August 20-October 4  
Our Lady of Grace has had 1 positive case.

# Religious Education

## COVID-19 and Spiritual Life: *Living one day at a time*

If you have been reading my weekly column. You know that I comment from time to time on life with COVID and how it impacts our spirituality. During this COVID-19 pandemic, all of us have been lifted into a new way of living our day. Many of us who were so busy before have been slowed by an extremely small organism with a huge amount of power. As we work to figure out how to reorganize our lives, each day presents a new set of rules and changes that may give us a reason to pause and think. Many of us are experiencing more uncertainty and a feeling of being out of control.

And yet, each day is unique – and there are still are so many blessings in each one, like the sun rising, birds singing, the birth of a new baby and the beautiful fall colors and crisp autumn days we are experiencing right now. I see people who are helping people. I know many who are reintroducing themselves to the most precious unit of family. Others are talking to people they have not visited in months.

If you choose to, you could call it a rebirth or renewal. It is a new chance to slow ourselves down. These times have given many of us a different lens with which to see the world and realize that each day is precious. Time that was once taken for granted now is seriously reconsidered. There now are rules and cautions that affect us all.

One way to forge ahead with a clearer mental capacity is to focus on the current day ahead — not on all of the days to come. Viewing our time as a single day gives us a chance to absorb and manage the daily demands. As the world continues to slow down, we can assess how the moments reflect the delicate balance of who we are. Our days take on a different meaning.


When we focus on the past day and what was, there is a feeling of powerlessness with what we may not have accomplished. We could feel depressed and frustrated. When we focus on too many days ahead, it is a formula for becoming overwhelmed and making decisions with little information or in an untimely manner. Again, frustration and anxiety can occur.

Thoughts of the unknown can bring emotional turmoil and uncertainty of how we will maintain or adapt to what is new. When we live one day at a time, we put energy into knowing that it is God who guides us. We can breathe and reason, and manage our lives in a more orderly fashion. This is the day that the Lord has made for us, and we can choose how we will be within that day and rejoice in it. We can take time to see the blessings and recognize new opportunities in the quietness. We can live intentionally, knowing that our mercies are new each day and that our needs will be met – and this gives hope. We can be a light to others who need hope. We can offer support to those who are depressed or fearful. Our stress lowers when we offer our days ahead to the God who dwells within us and who never leaves us. Leaning into one's faith allows room for building a stronger sense of peace.

This is a time who we are, and knowing that we have been given gifts and talents that can be used – and that gives us purpose. Find that purpose, give it strength one day at a time, and discover a spiritual awakening and divine love that will overpower any real or imagined quarantine we will experience. Remember Jesus' words in scripture: "Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well." (Luke 12)

Take advantage of this unique time away from the daily routine. Glean the wisdom of connecting with your spiritual source in prayer and meditation. See blessings that were previously unseen and know that God's mercies are new each day.

Have a blessed day.  
Mark Friedman, CRE



This is enough. Do not look back and grieve over the past for it is gone; and do not be troubled about the future, for it has not yet come. Live in the present, and make it so beautiful it will be worth remembering.

# OLG PTO

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday October 8, 2020

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

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- **Trunk or Treat is Friday October 30<sup>th</sup>!** Look for more information in the coming weeks.

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### BOX TOPS/COKE REWARDS

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We are still collecting any clipped box tops and coke rewards, so please send them in with your child. Remember to scan your receipts on the Box Tops App! Any questions regarding either of these programs, please contact Susan Wells [smwells1122@gmail.com](mailto:smwells1122@gmail.com)

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### PTO MEETING REMINDER

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The next PTO meeting is **Monday October 12<sup>th</sup> at 630pm** via Zoom. The zoom link will be posted on the Family Facebook page.

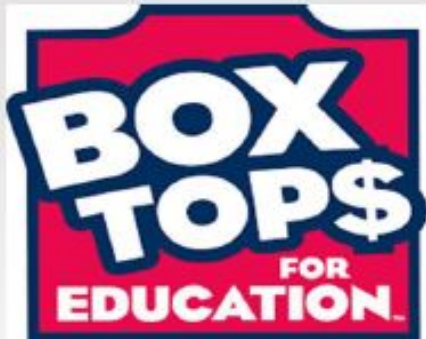
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### OLG FAMILY FACEBOOK PAGE

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Here is a friendly reminder of the group rules for our family Facebook page.

- Be kind and Courteous
- No hate speech or bullying
- No promotions, selling or spam
- Be supportive



Like us on Facebook – "Our Lady of Grace Family Page"



# Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association



We are missing several basketball uniforms from last season. If you didn't drop off your uniform at the athletic drop off last spring, please return your child's uniform to the school office in a bag with their name on it. Thanks so much!

3rd-8th Grade Boys Basketball registration is now open and will run until October 23rd! We have a short sign-up window this year, so be sure to sign up early! Click the link below to register!

<https://boys-basketball-2020-copy.cheddarup.com>

OLG Boys Basketball is offered in grades 3rd-8th grade who are enrolled students or who are members of one of the covenant parishes (Assumption, St. Margaret Mary, Little Flower, St. Ann).

3rd/4th grade teams play in an instructional league where emphasis is placed on skill development and learning the game of basketball. 5th-8th grade teams play in the competitive league. Stay tuned for details!! #olgathletics #letsgoeagles



Parents,

We need your help! Do you have any pictures of your children, or their sports teams, involved in athletics that you'd like to share? OLG Athletics is trying to build up it's media gallery and we are in need of pictures from all of the sports we've offered throughout the years. If you have any pictures you'd feel comfortable sharing, click on the corresponding sport link below where you can upload any photos. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Melinda Miller at

[olgaasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:olgaasecretary@gmail.com). Thank you for playing such a big part in OLG Athletics!

OLG Soccer

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OLG Boys Basketball

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OLG Girls Volleyball

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OLG Girls Basketball

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Football

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Cross Country

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Track & Field

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The NEW and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online.

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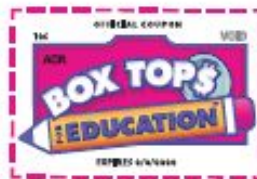
Use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase.



### EARN CASH FOR OUR SCHOOL

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High School Information Section  
(High schools are listed in the order the information is received.)



# ST. XAVIER

## High School

— MEN FOR OTHERS —

**X-Perience Days:** Because of our desire to maintain a safe environment for our community and our guests, shadowing will take a different look this year. X-Perience Days will begin at 8:15 a.m. and conclude by 10:30 a.m. Our prospective students will be given a presentation by our Admissions team and then tour the school with a member of our Ambassadors of Xcellence. Parents are welcome to stay that morning as well. They, too, will be given a presentation by our staff and have the opportunity to tour the school. Please limit one parent per student.

**X-Perience Nights:** Designed especially for those families who have difficulty attending an X-perience Day, X-Perience Nights are similar to the day sessions and will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. Families can attend any of the following evenings: October 6, 22, and 27; November 5, 10, and 19; and December 1 and 10. Seventh and eighth grade families are welcome!

**Individual Tours:** On select Saturdays in October, November, and December, families can register for a personal tour of St. Xavier. Led by one of our current students or a recent St. Xavier graduate, grade school students and their parents can see and hear what makes a St. Xavier education a special one. Seventh and eighth grade families are encouraged to register on our website!

**Wednesday Information Nights:** From 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday, starting September 23 through December 9, families can join a virtual session to learn more about St. Xavier and its programs. Our first session will focus on a general overview of St. Xavier's mission, including the charisms that make a St. Xavier education unique. Families will need to look for a link in our weekly email to join our sessions. Our schedule is as follows:

September 23 Mission  
September 30 Academics  
October 7 Athletics  
October 14 Tuition Assistance  
October 21 Parent and Student Panel  
October 28 Fine Arts  
November 4 Co-curriculars  
November 11 Diversity and Inclusion  
November 18 Student Services  
December 2 Alumni Panel  
December 9 Spanish language presentation

**Zoom Meetings:** For those students or parents who have a quick question or who need a way to get more information, please join a Zoom session from 7 to 8 p.m. every Monday evening, starting October 5 through November 30. Staffed by our outstanding student admissions team, our meeting is designed for families to learn more about the St. Xavier X-Perience from a student perspective. Parents and students can enter and exit as they please. Families can find the Zoom link in our weekly email.



# La Salle High School

## Class of 2025 Important Information

### Shadow Visits

8th graders can sign up now to experience our academics, meet our staff, tour our facilities and interact with our students in a safe, meaningful way!

Sign up to shadow at [lasallehs.net/admissions/shadowing](https://lasallehs.net/admissions/shadowing)

### Application Deadline

Class of 2025 Admissions Applications are due by Friday, December 18 and consist of:

- Application for Admission
- Math Teacher Recommendation
- English Teacher Recommendation
- Request of School Records Form

*FACTS Financial Aid Applications are also due by Friday, December 18.*

### Information Nights

Want to learn more about La Salle? Prospective families are invited to attend one of four information nights. Select the date that works for you!

- October 7 (In Person)
- October 14 (Virtual)
- October 20 (In Person)
- November 11 (In Person)

Registration is required. RSVP at [lasallehs.net/admissions/information-night](https://lasallehs.net/admissions/information-night)

### Questions?



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For more class of 2025 information visit [lasallehs.net/admissions/classof2025](https://lasallehs.net/admissions/classof2025)

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## News FOR GRADE SCHOOL FAMILIES

October 5, 2020

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Invited to Mercy McAuley's Wolves Experience Night Oct. 23**

Eighth grade girls are invited to Mercy McAuley's Wolves Experience Night on October 23 from 6-9 p.m. This is a great option for any 8th graders who are unable to visit on a Shadow Day, or for those who would like to experience Mercy McAuley outside of the normal school day.

Through hands-on activities, guests will experience Mercy McAuley's innovative academics, arts, extracurriculars, and the Wolves' Pack Pride! Pizza will be provided, along with treats and giveaways. Capacity is limited. Register at [www.mercymcauley.org/ExperienceNight](http://www.mercymcauley.org/ExperienceNight).

### **Mercy McAuley High School Open House is November 8**

All prospective students and parents are invited to Mercy McAuley's Open House on Sunday, November 8, from 1-5 p.m. Registration is required at [www.mercymcauley.org/OpenHouse](http://www.mercymcauley.org/OpenHouse).

When you register, you will be asked to select a specific arrival time.

### **Mercy McAuley High School Offers 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Shadow Days**

It's not too late to register to shadow at Mercy McAuley! On Shadow Days, 8<sup>th</sup> grade guests will be placed into a small group of three or four 8<sup>th</sup> graders, and they will remain with this small "Pack" throughout the day. Unlike in years past, they will not follow one Mercy McAuley student the entire day. Instead, they will travel with their small 8<sup>th</sup> grade Pack, visiting several classes together throughout the day. They'll eat lunch with our Student Ambassadors, participate in a service project, learn cheers, and hear about clubs and extracurriculars from students. Full-day and half-day options are available. Registration is required at [www.mercymcauley.org/Shadow](http://www.mercymcauley.org/Shadow).

### **Mercy McAuley High School Holds Parent Coffee Sessions**

Eighth grade parents are invited to learn more about Mercy McAuley from school leaders in a small conversational setting at its Parent Coffee Sessions. Join Mercy McAuley's school leaders for coffee and discussion about Mercy McAuley's values, academic and extracurricular offerings, and get answers to all your questions. Optional tours are available following the conversation. Parent coffee sessions will take place at 8 a.m. on every full-day Shadow Day, which makes it convenient for parents who are dropping their 8<sup>th</sup> grader off to shadow. Register at [www.mercymcauley.org/CoffeeSessions](http://www.mercymcauley.org/CoffeeSessions).

### **Mercy McAuley High School Holds Parent Information Nights**

Mercy McAuley High School will hold two more Parent Information Nights for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade families. These evening sessions are designed for parents who would like to learn more about Mercy McAuley from school leaders, teachers and students. The sessions will cover topics including: Faith, Service and Campus Ministry; Academics, Schedule and Technology; Counseling and Student Services; Athletics and Extracurriculars; Tuition, Financial Aid and Scholarships. Optional tours will be available at the in-person session.

- Tuesday, October 13 (Virtual Session) – 6:30 – 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 21 (In-Person Session) – 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Registration is required at [www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights](http://www.mercymcauley.org/InfoNights).



## OPEN HOUSE

Sunday,  
**NOVEMBER 1**  
2020

11AM to 4PM



Please join us for our Open House on Sunday, Nov. 1 from 11am - 4pm. You will have an opportunity to:

- \* tour the building with an MND Ambassador
- \* get a first-hand look at our programs
- \* individually meet our administrators, teachers and coaches

In order to socially distance during Open House, MND will be requiring registration with assigned tour times. There is a limit of three individuals per family tour, with an exception for parents who have more than one daughter in grades 6-8. Register at: <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/open-house/>



### APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Prospective members of the Mount Notre Dame Class of 2025 may now submit their Application for Admission. MND will request school records from each applicant's current school to be received no later than December 1, 2020. Please complete the application via our website at: <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/admission-information-class-of-2025/>

### 8TH GRADER VISITS/SHADOWING

Mindful of our priority to safely host visitors on our campus and support the health and wellness of our community, MND is offering alternative programs to traditional shadowing for 8th graders. Learn more about each program and register at: <https://www.mndhs.org/admissions/shadowing-at-mnd/>

# Admissions Check List

what every 8th grader needs to know



**Go to: [www.BadinHS.org](http://www.BadinHS.org) under Admissions *Create an Admission Profile to complete the 9th grade application form and request a personal tour.***



## **Request a Shadow Day!**

Modified Shadow Days will be offered to 8th grade students on select dates. Register online or schedule a PERSONAL TOUR by contacting the Badin Admissions Office - [info@BadinHS.org](mailto:info@BadinHS.org) or 513.863.3993 x120.



## **Ramformation Nights for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents**

**In-Person dates, held at Badin High School: Sept 30, Nov 2 & 17, 7:00 PM**

**Oct 19 - Hispanic Night (Interpreters will be available)**

Have your questions answered in a smaller setting with administration, faculty and students. Reservations required and space is limited. Reserve your spot online - [BadinHS.org](http://BadinHS.org) under admissions or scan this QR code.



## **Virtual Ramformation Nights**

**Oct 15 & Nov 11, 7:00 PM**

Virtual Ramformation Nights are available for anyone who prefers not to come to Badin, but join a group on Zoom. Register for all Ramformation Nights online - [BadinHS.org](http://BadinHS.org) under Admissions or scan this QR code.

Ramformation Night QR  
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## **Open House- A Don't Miss Event!**

**Discover the many ways you can find your place at Badin High School!**

**Sunday, October 25, 2020, 1-7:00 PM**

Reservations are required. Register online - [BadinHS.org](http://BadinHS.org) under Admissions or scan this QR Code.

- Visit classrooms and meet our faculty
- Talk to students and moderators about extracurricular offerings
- Talk to coaches about our athletic programs
- Learn more about our 1:1 Personal Computer Program, STEM Program, new art classes and more.

Open House QR  
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## **High School Placement Test Waived for the Class of 2025**

Due to COVID19, Archdiocesan high schools will not require the High School Placement Test for enrollment, instead using grade school standardized test scores and grades from 7th grade. Please make sure that interested students have signed the Records Release form and turned it into your current school office. Apply to Badin by December 1 to be eligible for scholarships.



## **Q&A Session – Have last minute questions? We can help!**

**Monday, November 30, 2020, 7:00-8:00 PM at Badin High School**

**Reservations required - Register online: [BadinHS.org](http://BadinHS.org) under Admissions.**

Overwhelmed with choosing a high school for your son/daughter? Attend Badin's Q&A Night. This small, informal gathering at Badin is designed for 8th grade students and parents to get your questions answered.



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## **Application & Financial Assistance Forms**

**Due on December 1, 2020**

Both forms are online at [www.BadinHS.org](http://www.BadinHS.org) under Admissions. To be eligible for academic scholarships, students must apply to Badin via the online application form.



## **Registration Night for Class of 2025**

**Thursday, January 28, 2021**

Say YES! I want to be a RAM! #WannaBeARam Open Registration begins January 27.

