



## Lourdes Letter

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# WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

### Important Dates:

- Back to School & Picture Night  
Monday, August 23: 4:00-6:30PM
- 5th Grade Orientation  
Monday, August 23: 6:30PM
- K-8 First Day of School  
Thursday, August 26
- PreSchool 4 yr: Playdate  
Monday, August 30: 9:00AM
- PreSchool 3 yr: Playdate  
Monday, August 31: 9:00AM

## Letter from Principal Young

Dear OLOL Families,

The 2021-2022 school year is upon us. I pray that you are as excited for this school year as I am. We have several events coming up in the next 2 weeks.

### **New Family Orientation - Thursday, August 19th 6:30**

This event is for all preschool, kindergarten, and new 1st-8th grade families. You will hear some overviews of OLOL procedures as well as in-depth information from the preschool and kindergarten teachers.

### **Back-To-School Night - Monday, August 23rd 4:00-6:30**

All students will drop-off their supplies, get their school picture taken, and meet their teacher.

## **5th grade Orientation - Monday, August 23rd 6:30-7:30**

Our 5th graders will get a little feel of middle school and how they can be successful in middle school.

**1st day of school** - Thursday, August 26th 7:35 Middle School; 8:25 Elementary. All students will wear their OLOL Lourdes Way T-shirts on the first day of school.

Much of the summer was spent designing new initiatives and bringing back some curriculum areas that we didn't focus on last year due to COVID. The new initiatives this year at OLOL are:

### **Counseling**

Mrs. Karen Kielpowski, our new OLOL counselor, will teach all grade levels life skills, intrapersonal and interpersonal skills that will assist our students getting more out of their educational experience. She will also offer guidance counseling services to small groups and individuals.

### **Computer Science**

Each class will also have at least a half-hour of computer science instruction. Students will learn about coding, problem solving, debugging, algorithms, etc. We are extremely excited to be piloting this program that was developed last year with a team from CESA 7 and other local and corporate supporters

### **Middle School**

Our MAPS scores show our students have a deep understanding of concepts across our curriculum. I want to give students an opportunity to take that knowledge and apply it to real-life experiences. This year our middle school schedule will have one afternoon set aside to an elective schedule which puts students in real world experiences.

Some returning initiatives for the 2021-2022 school year are:

### **Discipline with Purpose**

This discipline system was started at OLOL 3 years ago. Due to COVID and interruptions to face-to-face learning, it took a back seat. This program calls for teachers to teach students how to be self-disciplined. Self-disciplined students are able to take advantage of the learning opportunities that are offered to them. That leads to better self-esteem and academic success.

### **Friendlyzy**

This Bible-based social emotional learning program aligns with our mission of creating faith filled leaders for the next generation.. The program assists teachers in creating a learning environment that benefits all.

### **The Lourdes Way**

More than anything I want our students to leave Lourdes with a deep understanding of the character attributes of the LOURDES way. When students live their lives with leadership, opportunity, unity, respect, dedication, educational experience, and spirituality they most likely lead successful and full-filling adult lives. We will highlight one of these areas each month during the school year.

I am grateful that you have selected OLOL Catholic school for your child's education. You are entrusting us with your children. That is a huge responsibility and I am prepared

to exceed your expectations of what your expectations are. OLOL has high expectations for our students and families. My personal belief is high expectations bring out the best. It is important that we work together to bring out the best in our students and families to meet these expectations.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to any staff member that works with your child. We are a learning environment and each of us has a voice in the education of our students. Together we can make the 2021-2022 school year a highly successful one for all of our stakeholders.

"You always have 2 choices: your commitment versus your fears" - Sammy Davis Jr.

The Lourdes Way,  
Jeffrey Young

## School News

### OLOL COVID Site Plan for 2021-2022

As you read from Kim Desotell's letter last week, each school submitted a 2021-2022 Opening School Site Plan to the GRACE Board of Trustees.

Developing these plans the last two years has been difficult. I respect each of our OLOL families, students, and staff. I am aware of the range of opinions on COVID and schools. The plan was created by discussions with many different medical and educational professionals and input from a variety of stakeholders. Part of my role requires me to be an advocate for each and every student at OLOL School. My training, experience, and professional development has formed an understanding of how children perform best academically, socially and what is best for their mental health. I wanted to create a learning environment which closely resembles what my background tells me is the best way to educate a child. I am confident this plan will give students the best learning environment while keeping them healthy as we all grow together in our faith.

Similar to last year, the biggest impact that parents have on this plan is to keep your child home if they are not feeling 100% healthy. If that is honored and placed as a priority, we should have an outstanding 2021-2022 school year.

Below is the Board approved OLOL Site Plan.

As always please reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

[OLOL COVID Site Plan](#)

## PICTURE NIGHT

Back to School and Picture Night

# It's Picture Day!

## Our Lady of Lourdes

**Monday,  
August 23rd**

Bring your best smile!

No need to bring money.  
No order forms will be sent home. Your student will be given a card with their online order code. Images will be available to order online within 3 business days after picture day.



*\*Scan QR code with your phone or go to [ambrosiusstudios.com](http://ambrosiusstudios.com)  
\*Click on School Photo tab  
\*Enter your online code  
(Located above barcode on student's QR code card)*

If you have any questions,  
please call our studio.  
(920)494-2294

*Ambrosius Studios*

August 23  
4:00-6:30PM

Ambrosius Studios will be located in the Parish Social Hall.

## School Fundraisers



- Magazine Sale
- GRACE Calendar Raffle
- 4th Annual Night of Keys
- Save the Date: November 13

More information about these events will be available at Back to School Night!

## News from GRACE Food Service



### Free and Reduced Meal Eligibility Program

All GRACE students will receive free meals (milk must be purchased separately) as the result of a USDA/DPI Federal Funding Grant called Seamless Summer Option (SSO). But normal program requirements and options remain the same. So if you typically applied for the Free and Reduced Meal Eligibility Program please continue to do; that information is used for other program benefits such as Pandemic Food Share (P-EBT).

The Free and Reduced Meal Eligibility Program forms and additional details are available here: [English](#) | [Spanish](#)

Paper copies also are available at the GRACE Riverside Office, 1822 Riverside Drive, Green Bay, and at all school offices.

If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Gierczak, GRACE Food Service Administrative Assistant, at (920) 499-7330, ext. 1004.

## Community Events/Activities



### Back to School: Keeping Students Safe

A few reminders as we return to school.

School Bus traffic is in the south parish parking lot.

Drop off for students is in the north parish parking lot. Please follow the signs for the safety of all.

Please do NOT drop off/pickup students in the Parish Office parking lot.

New this year: There will be increased traffic on Lourdes Avenue due to a new entrance for West De Pere School buildings.

## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family



### All Are Welcome!

On August 8th we bid farewell to Fr. Peter Ambting, O.Praem as he prepares to return to the Netherlands.

On August 14, after 21 years, Fr. Jim Baraniak, O.Praem returned as pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes.

If you were out of town last weekend, view the livestream of the August 15, 8:15AM mass [here](#).

Please join us for weekend mass.

- Saturday, 4:30PM
- Sunday: 8:15AM & 10:15AM

[Visit our parish website](#)



## Organize Your Classroom

The GRACE school system is excited to announce that the GRACE Community 5K Wellness Fun Run/Walk will be returning this summer. The event is scheduled for Saturday, August 28, 2021.

For more details and to register, please [click here](#). The registration fee is only \$5 per person and includes a T-shirt, post-race activities and a prize drawing.

This wonderful, non-timed event promotes wellness and strengthens our GRACE community of schools and parishes. We look forward to seeing you there when we gather together to help kick off the 2021-2022 school year!

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