

# Family and School Association FSA



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## Our Mission:

The FSA was established to utilize the combined talents of the families and teachers of the students of OLP to:

- 1) Promote the social, intellectual, moral and spiritual welfare of the students;
- 2) Enhance relationships between parents and teachers;
- 3) Provide financial aid to the school in order to assure continuing educational activities;
- 4) Promote family centered activities for the school.

*"I would encourage every parent, grandparent, aunt or uncle to volunteer if you have the opportunity, nothing can compare to the twinkle you see in a child's eyes when they know you are there because of them, even if they are 'too cool' to admit it!"*  
-Julianne Valerio

OLP and the FSA rely on the generosity of our school and parish families. It is through your gifts of time and talent that we are able to offer so much to our school, our students and our OLP families. Please prayerfully consider what you might be able to give, then contact any FSA officer or event chair for more information and to sign up!

## Fundraising

FSA fundraising efforts provide funds for the maintenance of the school's two computer labs, the Parent Broadcast System, EdLine, field trips and other areas as needed. Remaining funds help FSA sponsor family activities through the year.

### EASTER CANDY SALE

This sale is the FSA's primary fundraiser and timed perfectly to sell delicious chocolates for the Easter season.

### CHICK-FIL-A CALENDAR SALE

Buy and sell great calendars full of coupons just in time for the holiday season!

### FREE MONEY

Every OLP school family and parishioner can support our fundraising efforts by participating in any of these programs.

#### Giant Eagle Apples for students

Register your Giant Eagle Advantage card to OLP (school ID 0804)

#### Box Tops for Education

#### Funding Factory

Recycle ink cartridges and cell phones

#### Max and Erma's Nights

#### Chick-Fil-A Nights

#### Target School Fundraising

Link your Target card to OLP

#### Tyson Project A+

Collect labels from specially marked Tyson products

#### Terracycle

*NEW* this year! Look for information on this easy to use, free money, recycling program coming soon!



*"This is just a part of my work as a mom!"  
-Sarah Drabant*

## FSA Events

### Parent Information Evening

The FSA, in cooperation with the School Board and Athletic Board, host the September Parent Information Evening. A general meeting, signups for volunteer opportunities in the school, classroom visits and a wine and cheese party make up a parents/caregivers - only evening at the school.

### Fall Family Fun Night

Traditionally an evening of Bingo for all of our school families, the evening also includes instant bingo, concessions and theme baskets organized by each grade.

### Living Nativity

New for 2010 is a Living Nativity! This is an evening of reflection and song on the Christmas Story performed by our own students, to be enjoyed by all of our school families.

### Lunch with Santa

This event is especially for our Preschoolers through 4<sup>th</sup> graders and their families. The event includes lunch, holiday crafts and activities, and a visit with Santa. Tickets are available in November for this December event.



*"...I knew I wanted to be involved with an FSA project in some capacity... this is a perfect way for me to share my experiences and talents!"  
-Mandy Kelly*

### Santa Shop

After a year's worth of preparation, our team of volunteers organizes 2 days of holiday shopping for the OLP students. All items are quality merchandise, purchased at sales through the year and available at a cost of \$1-5 for our young shoppers.

### Santa Raffle

This Chinese auction style raffle concludes the day before Christmas vacation. Families are asked to donate items for this much-anticipated event. Students purchase raffle tickets at lunches at the cost of 10 for \$1. Tickets are only available in \$1 increments.

### Book Swap/Resolution to Read

A new event and program for this year, the Book Swap gives all of our families an opportunity to gather and swap books. This event is for both adults and children. The Resolution to Read program will encourage all families participating to log in reading time through the winter months.

### Bowling Parties

Break up the winter routine by meeting up with your OLP friends at our Bowling Parties. Two sessions will be held - the first for Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade, the second for 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Prior to the event, information will arrive in the Tuesday folders regarding ticket sales.

*"... As an alumni of the school I want to give back in any way that I can... My mother always made the time to volunteer, and it is something I will always remember."  
-Amy Buechel*

*Most of our events require a committee to assist the chairperson(s).  
An hour or two of your time is sometimes all that is needed!*

### Family Game Night/Resolution to Read

This event marks the conclusion of the Resolution to Read program. The top readers are recognized and we will celebrate the efforts of all our OLP families! Make plans to come with your whole family, friends and their families, bring your favorite board and card games for an old-fashioned Family Game Night.

### Playground Cleanup

With a great playground, comes great responsibility! Spring has sprung and our playground could use some sprucing up. All OLP families are invited to bring a picnic lunch and their gardening tools to help clean out the mess winter left behind.

### Waldameer Picnic

It goes without saying that this event is much loved by the students and their families. Held on the last day of the school, discount ride tickets and lunch tickets are available for purchase the last week of school.



### USED UNIFORM SALE

As a service to our OLP families, the FSA oversees the Used Uniform Sale held in August.

### CLASSROOM PARTIES

From Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade, both Halloween and Christmas are celebrated within the classes.



*"...my children are the most important thing in the world to me...I chose to volunteer simply to be able to spend more time with them, experience their daily environment and meet new people..." -Julianne Valerio*