



## OLMS Family Expectations & Recommendations

### Family Expectations:

- **Catholic Faith:** Families are expected to fully respect all of the teachings of the Catholic Church. We expect families to uphold these teachings at home.
- **Attendance:** Your child may not acquire more than 10 unexcused absences per year. Additionally, excessive unexcused tardy arrivals and late pick ups can prevent re-enrollment for the following school year.
- **Parent education participation:** All families are required to attend at least two parent education nights per year. It is important to understand what and how your children learn during the day.
- **Parent volunteer participation:** All families are expected to participate in the OLMS community by volunteering on a committee (maintenance, social, or fundraising) and to consider volunteering for other opportunities such as driving for field trips, providing snacks and meals as needed, etc.

### Reading Recommendation:

We very strongly encourage families to read with their children for 15-30 minutes each day.

Reading with your children has a tremendous effect on their educational experience. It not only helps them academically with their ability to read and write, but it also helps build strong parent-child relationships through spending quality time together.

### Media Recommendations:

OLMS very strongly recommends families to limit screen time for their children. This includes TV, computer games, ipads, cell phones and screens. The positive influence this practice has on the classroom community is profound, both in terms of culture and attention span.

We highly recommend NO screen time during the school week for all children.

### Dietary Recommendations:

Students bring lunches and snacks to school; there is no hot lunch program at OLMS.

We ask parents to pack healthy foods and refrain from including items such as sweet desserts and non-nutritious snack items.