



OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC ACADEMY

We are now in our 4th year as an Academy and are pleased that we are able to continue to provide a sound and spiritual educational experience thanks to the outstanding efforts of our staff, administration and of course our many volunteers. We are also thrilled to report that enrollment in the school is stable and our reputation continues to be stellar enabling us to attract students from many neighboring areas. In the past year we have introduced new programs including afterschool enrichment programs that offered learning opportunities in the areas of English, Science and Acting. We will be offering additional programs in the coming year.

Our fundraising efforts continue to be successful. The Parent's Association sponsored many successful events including the year-end carnival. Our 3rd annual Walk-a-Thon had great participation and we were able to double the contributions versus previous years. Other events including the Homecoming event, where we honored our former pastor Monsignor Deas and the late Donald Kiley, the tuition raffle, contributions from Bingo, the Rosary Altar Society and Alumni made a real difference. Our tuition funds less than 70% of the cost to operate the Academy, so we are very grateful for all of the fundraising efforts and outside contributions.

Because of these fundraising efforts we were able to begin much needed renovations of the school bathrooms and kitchen. In addition, we hired a part-time guidance counselor to attend to the needs of our students and families and we also hired a part time development director who is focusing on new sources of fundraising. Although finances are always tight, we were able to take steps towards our goal of reducing class sizes to improve the educational experience while welcoming new students to the school and improving our academic program.

Our 2019 graduating class began this fall attending Archbishop Molloy, Chaminade, Holy Cross, Fiorella H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art & Performing Arts, St. Francis Prep, Syosset High School, The Mary Louis Academy, The Stony Brook School, and Xavier High School. Twelve, or 40%, of our graduating students were awarded scholarships, grants or entry into a specialized high school. We are so proud of them all.

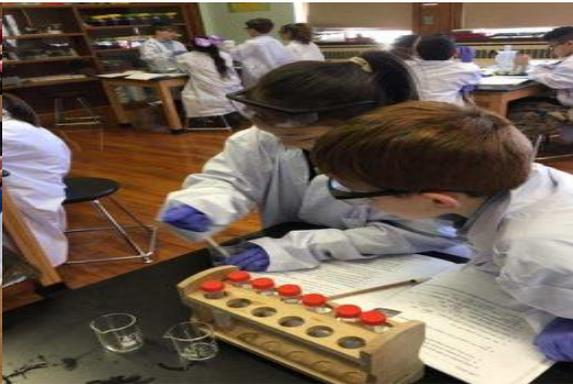
Outlined below are some photos of the many events held last year...the Homecoming Celebration, the Walk-a-Thon, the Carnival, the CYO third grade 3rd place relay race winners, the third grade basketball 2nd place postseason winners, and photos from the Academy concerts, science lab, graduation, etc. None of these pictures can fully relay the

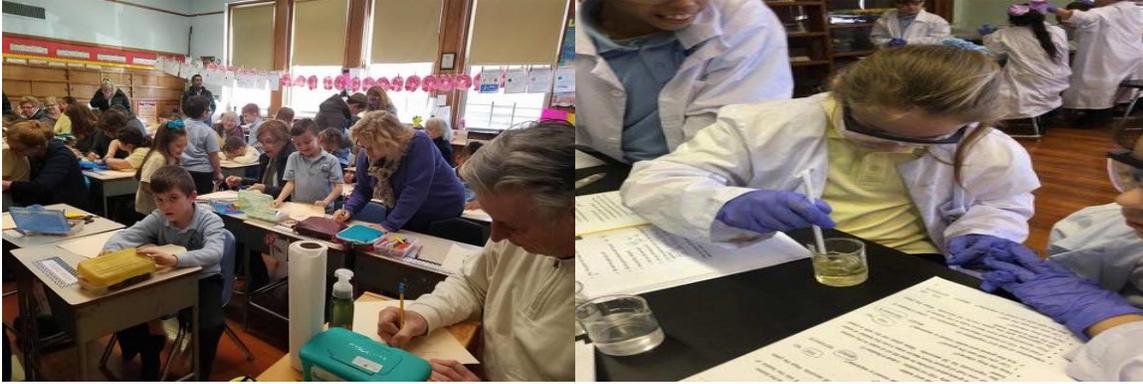
dedication, hard work and also joyful community that is our Academy...but they are a glimpse!











While our students participated in many fund raising events, they also participated in many service projects including supporting the Ronald McDonald House, the food pantry in Montauk and performing for the Senior Leisure Club. They wrote holiday messages to those serving overseas and messages to our seminarians throughout the year.

The Academy had 346 students enrolled in Nursery through the Eighth grade, including two 'PreK for All' classes over the 2018-19 School Year.

The mission of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Academy is to provide an inspiring and challenging educational experience that is college and career ready and grounded in Catholic values.

The New York State Testing Program tests students in the spring of each year. The tests reflect demands of the Common Core Curriculum. The percentage of OLBS students who achieved a level 3 (meeting the standards) or 4 (exceeding the standards) on the NYS tests as compared to the NYS students and NYC students are:

**2019 NYS ELA and Math Test Results
Grades 4, 6 and 7 Comparative Chart
2019 NYS Science Test Results for Grades 4 and 8**

Percentage of Students Scoring at Levels 3 and 4 (Students who met or exceeded the proficiency standards for their grade):

2019 NYS Testing Program	New York State (includes all Public and Charter Schools in NY State - no Nonpublic Schools data)	New York City (only NY City Public Schools – no Charter Schools, no Nonpublic Schools data)	Diocese of Brooklyn (Academies and Schools within the Diocese with appropriate grade levels tested)	Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Academy
Grade 4-ELA	47.7%	49.6%	54.7%	50.0%
Grade 6-ELA	47.1%	48.4%	59.8%	62.5%
Grade 7-ELA	39.7%	42.7 %	54.9%	61.3%
Grade 4-Math	50.4%	49.4%	51.3%	62.5%
Grade 6-Math	47.0%	43.9%	43.7%	42.2%
Grade 7-Math	43.5%	42.1%	42.4%	27.2%
Grade 4-Sci.	Not Available (NA)	NA	NA	100%
Grade 8-Sci.	NA	NA	NA	83.3%

Please Note: Percentages reported include all tested students (general education and students with disabilities as reported by New York State, New York City and Diocese of Brooklyn).

While we are pleased with these results, we will continue to implement changes as needed in all areas including the mathematics curriculum to improve students’ performance.

We also want to thank our Pastor, Fr. Whelan, the Pastor of St. Josaphat’s (our aligned parish), Fr. Saffron, Sr. Carla and our Deacons for their continued support of the Academy. Our students are greeted each morning by Fr. Bob, Fr. Saffron assists with various sacraments throughout the year, and our religious staff set a daily example to the students on a true Christian life. We provide an excellent academic background for the students, but the witness provided by our teachers, religious, volunteers, parents and the total OLBS parish community truly make this Academy great.

Thank you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Kane, Principal and the OLBS Academy Board