



OPELOUSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Viking Parents:

The faculty, staff, and administration strive to make OCS a Catholic school that serves the needs of the whole student: mind, body, and spirit. We work to be a voice for the Catholic Church and Catholic values, a center of academic excellence, and a place where Catholic life is strong and vibrant.

Creating a setting in which faculty can excel is critical to the success of Opelousas Catholic. Our teachers are deeply involved in every aspect of school life, and they bring scholarship into the classroom to inspire our intellectually hungry students. They continue to show great devotion to their students and embrace the Gospel values through their teachings.

In order to continue to provide a rich and rigorous academic curriculum for our students, we must examine the cost of educating each of Opelousas Catholic's students. In an effort to hire and maintain quality educators and to absorb the ever-increasing costs of education, Opelousas Catholic School will increase tuition for the 2017-2018 school year. While we strive to keep annual increases to a minimum, it is a necessary component of private education.

We continue to use RenWeb and FACTS for our online enrollment and tuition payment plans. Current families do not need to create an online application – only the RenWeb online enrollment and FACTS payment plan. You will access the re-enrollment process through your ParentsWeb account.

Our tuition and fees will show a small increase of \$9 per month for the first child and \$5 per month for all other children. The following chart shows our tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year.

Grade Level	1st Child		2nd Child		3rd Child	
	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly	Annual	Monthly
PreSchool – Grade 5	\$5,595	\$466.25	\$5,299	\$441.58	\$4,899	\$408.25
Grades 6-8	\$5,715	\$476.25	\$5,419	\$451.58	\$4,999	\$416.58
Grades 9 – 12	\$6,125	\$510.41	\$5,829	\$485.75	\$5,409	\$450.75

Enrollment for current students begins January 30, 2017. The registration (enrollment) fee will be \$230 per student for the first three students and must be paid at the time you complete your online enrollment by February 20, 2017. A late fee of \$100 per family will be assessed to returning families who enroll after this date. As a reminder, the tuition fee includes tuition, textbooks fees, yearbook fee, activity fees, class dues, facility fee, and athletic fee. Not included in this amount are lunch fees (currently \$34/month for PreK-5 and \$40 for 6-12), parish subsidy (\$60/student) if you do not belong to one of the five (5) owner parishes and miscellaneous items such as graduation fees, dances, retreats and other personal items.

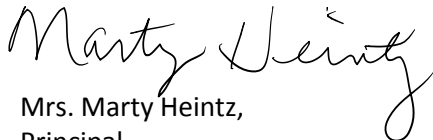
The registration must be submitted and the registration fee must be paid in full in order for any student to try out for any of the 2017-2018 programs/activities (i.e. Cheerleaders, Vikettes) or to participate in any spring practices. Either your tuition must be paid in full prior to July 1, 2017, or arrangements must be made to pay the tuition in installments. Installment payments for next year begin in June 2017 and will continue until the tuition has been paid in full for the year.

We have continued to successfully weather a challenging operating environment because of the ongoing generosity of our benefactors, the hard work of our teachers and administrators, and the very limited growth of expenditures across the campus. We are confident that our future efforts will allow us to maintain the fiscal strength that we have enjoyed in the past.

Opelousas Catholic takes great pride in the accomplishments of our students. This school year has been marked by many outstanding achievements. Our students continue to achieve scholastic scores above the local, state, and national averages. In addition, the OCS Class of 2016 received approximately \$550,000 in scholarship offers. Again this year, several students have been recognized as Academic All-State Athletes. Our students not only excel in the classroom but also in many co-curricular activities. Athletically, our student-athletes experience continued success; in the past year, they brought home state titles, district titles and made successful playoff appearances. Additionally, ministerial work has also been an integral part of the educational experience we provide. Our students have participated in faith-filled pilgrimages, selflessly donated blood, gathered food for the hungry, and entertained the handicapped and elderly. There is little room for doubt as to why Opelousas Catholic School is the best investment you can make for your child's future.

We value the trust that you have placed in us to provide a quality Catholic education for your children. I hope you will continue to show your support of the vision, goals, and dreams we all have for Opelousas Catholic. Thank you for giving so much of yourself for your children.

God Bless,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marty Heintz". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Mrs. Marty Heintz,
Principal