



# **Our Lady of Humility School**

*Where Great Kids Learn Great Things!*



# Welcome!

As the principal of Our Lady of Humility School and on behalf of our community of parents, students and teachers, I wanted to extend a warm welcome to you and your family. Thank you for taking the time to learn more about our school and our commitment to educate children. Once you have reviewed the enclosed literature, please call us at 847-746-3723 and we would be glad to arrange a personal, guided tour of our school.

Our Lady of Humility School is a Catholic elementary school sponsored by the parish and welcomes children from age three through eighth grade. With a rigorous academic curriculum and a focus on developing both the intellectual and the spiritual gifts of each child, our school enjoys a strong reputation throughout Northern Illinois.

While we operate close to full enrollment, we are always excited to answer any questions you have about our program!

(References available upon request)

visit us at [www.olhschool.org](http://www.olhschool.org)



# A Catholic Focus

It is our firm belief that a strong partnership between parents and educators is essential to a student's success and development. Our goal is to build upon and reinforce the moral and spiritual values which children are taught at home. OLH provides a solid foundation in Catholic doctrine, values, and traditions. The school assists in the development and understanding of the Catholic faith. It is our intent to help children acquire moral and spiritual values and provide our school community with opportunities for prayer and worship.

Our Lady of Humility School nurtures students' faith through:

- **Daily religion instruction**
- **Daily prayers and intentions**
- **Mass celebrated weekly for the entire school**
- **Sacramental preparation**
- **Retreat opportunities for upper grade students**
- **Service projects which foster an awareness of the student's responsibility to the wider community**

Students plan and participate in liturgies throughout the year, and have opportunities to participate in church ministries, including

- **Altar servers**
- **Children's choir**
- **Lectors and commentators**
- **Cantors**



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# Academic Excellence

At Our Lady of Humility School, we offer an academic program to meet the needs of students, emphasizing state standards and best practices. We strive to provide our children with skills and study habits, and develop self-motivation and personal responsibility that will enable them to successfully adapt to the next phase of their education.

We employ fully accredited teachers who are committed to Catholic education and foster the spiritual and academic development of each child. Several staff members hold advanced degrees and are specialists in their academic area. Our educational program is certified by the *Office of Catholic Education of the Archdiocese of Chicago* and is fully recognized by the *State of Illinois Board of Education*.

Our curriculum includes daily instruction in Religion, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. Students also experience exploratory classes in Music, Art, Physical Education, Computer, Library and Spanish.

Our graduates perform successfully in the high schools of their choice. Many enroll in honors and advanced placement courses.

Standardized Terra Nova test scores reveal OLH students' successful performance.

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# Activities

A wide variety of extracurricular activities are available for students.

## **Athletics:**

Students in grades 5–8 have the opportunity to participate in football, cheerleading, basketball, volleyball & track

## **Band:**

Students take lessons during school and have weekly band practice. Concerts are held annually

## **Children's Choir:**

Middle School choir members enhance school and parish liturgies

## **Chess Club:**

Students in 1–8 form may participate in our weekly Chess Club

## **Geography Bee:**

Grades 4–8 compete in the *National Geographic Geography Bee*

## **Spelling Bee:**

Grades 4–8 partake in the *Chicago Tribune's* annual spelling bee

## **Typing Club:**

Students have fun and perfect their typing skills with extra assistance from our computer teacher

## **Spanish Club:**

Students in all grades have the opportunity to be introduced to the Spanish language

## **Young Rembrandts:**

Enriching art instruction after school allows students to open up their creative minds and hands

## **Math Counts:**

Grades 7 and 8 participate in an advanced mathematics club that competes in local competitions



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# OLH Quick Facts

**School Day:** 8:25 to 3:15

**State and Archdiocesan Accredited:** Our school has undergone a rigorous accreditation process and is recognized by both the Archdiocese and the state for its strong academic program.

**Rigorous Curriculum:** Our Lady of Humility School utilizes the Archdiocesan curriculum for all subjects

**State of the Art Computer Lab:** Students in kindergarten through eighth grade have weekly computer classes.

**Reading Specialists:** Students who need additional assistance in order to be successful can meet with the Reading Specialist.

**School Counselor:** A fully certified counselor is on staff to assist students. A Rainbows Club takes place once a week to help students who are going through family changes.

**Extended Day Program:** Operates from 6:00am to 8:15am and 3:15pm to 6:00pm for families needing before or after school care. Information and fee schedules are available from the school office.

**Dress Code:** Students in kindergarten through grade 8 wear uniforms. Details are available in the school handbook.

**Tuition:** Discounts are offered for families with multiple children

**Bus Service:** Service is free to Beach Park school district residents. Families residing in Winthrop Harbor and Zion have access to bussing for a monthly fee.

**Hot Lunch:** Orders are taken on a monthly basis. Reduced prices are available to qualifying families.

**Outstanding Academic Program:** Student performance on mandated achievement tests is very strong. To see our scores, visit [www.olhschool.org](http://www.olhschool.org).



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# History, Mission and Philosophy

Our Lady of Humility School is a branch of the vine of Our Lady of Humility Parish, an active and enriching faith community located in Beach Park, IL.

In 1958, the Reverend John Hayes asked the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus to found and staff our school. Cornelia Connelly founded this religious order in 1846. A mother herself, Cornelia wanted her sisters to be “spiritual mothers” to the students, expressed in a spirit of simplicity, joy, trust and respect for the individual. OLH has served the spiritual and educational needs of the area children for over 50 years. We continue to do the same in the spirit of Mother Connelly’s vision while responding to the changes of time and technology.

We are the people of Our Lady of Humility Parish providing Catholic ministry of word and sacrament. The Catholic school is deemed an important part of this ministry in order to share the faith and serve the community.



To that end, the mission of Our Lady of Humility School is:

**To actively engage the minds and spirits  
Of all young people  
Through a Christ-centered education,  
Fostering success and responsibility,  
One child at a time...**