

**FINANCIAL
INFORMATION**

for the

2008 - 2009 SCHOOL YEAR



THE ORLANDO LUTHERAN ACADEMY

“We are a Christ-centered learning community.”

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MISSION STATEMENT

***THE ORLANDO LUTHERAN
ACADEMY, A CHRIST-CENTERED
COMMUNITY, DEDICATED TO THE
CORE VALUES OF INTEGRITY,
EXCELLENCE, AND SERVICE***

Policy Regarding Enrollment

The Orlando Lutheran Academy admits students of any race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to the students of the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, national or ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admission policies, student aid, and athletic and other administered programs.

We are glad you are considering or have chosen The Orlando Lutheran Academy to further your child's education. Thank you. This pamphlet contains necessary information regarding tuition and fees. Please keep this for further reference. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact our school office. Our sincere desire during this school year will be to provide you and your child with quality education centered in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We appreciate your support of our school and we will work hard to provide the education you expect.

TUITION, FEES, AND PAYMENT PLANS

2008-2009 TUITION COSTS

Middle School (grades 6-8) \$6,400

High School (grades 9-12) \$8,400

PAYMENT PLANS

At The Orlando Lutheran Academy there are three payment plans from which to choose:

1) Annual – The tuition rates are discounted by 10% if paid in full by 6/1/08 or by 5% if tuition is paid in full by 7/1/08.

3) Most families pay tuition through the 10 - month payment plan. The monthly payments, including a finance charge of \$40/month, are due on the 3rd Friday of each month beginning August 1, 2008. The final tuition payment must be made by May 2009.

ASSOCIATION DISCOUNT

If a family (student and/or parent) is a member of a congregation of the OLA association, they will receive a 10% discount on tuition.

SIBLING DISCOUNT

After the first child, a family will receive a 10% discount on the tuition of additional children.

PERSONNEL DISCOUNT

Tuition discounts are provided to OLA employees and to employees of the OLA Association congregations. See the administrator for details.

DISCOUNT ORDER

Tuition for families receiving multiple discounts will be figured by subtracting a discount, setting a new rate, and subtracting the next discount.

The discount order is as follows: Association Discount, Personnel Discount, Sibling Discount, and Pay in Full Discount.

REGISTRATION

When a new student applies, an application fee of \$100 is charged to process paperwork, administer entrance exam and send information. A registration fee of \$625 per student must be paid before the admission process can be completed, the student is considered enrolled, and a place is reserved for the student. These fees are non-refundable. All returning students will be charged a non-refundable re-registration fee.

ADDITIONAL FEES (per student)

- \$75 Sports Fee
- \$300 Football Sports Fee
- \$100 Graduation Fee (per senior – covers robe, diploma, and other costs)
- \$75 Yearbook (optional)

No discounts are given on fees. All fees are non-refundable.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- A. Tuition will be paid according to the predetermined plan as agreed to by the parent/guardian.
- B. Any tuition arrangements in exception to one of the regular payment plans must be in writing and approved by the Executive Director. Appropriate charges may be applied.
- C. Checks that are returned to The Orlando Lutheran Academy from a bank because of nonsufficient funds will result in a fee of \$50.00.
- D. Monthly payments are due on the 3rd Friday of each month. A \$50 fee is charged for late payment.
- E. Services will be suspended if payments of tuition and fees are not kept current.
- F. Re-enrollment or continuation may be denied if payment is not made accordingly.
- G. Any uncollected tuition will be sent to a collection agency.
- H. In the event of withdrawal of a student from The Orlando Lutheran Academy for any reason, the following applies: if the student is in attendance for any part of a semester, tuition must be paid for that semester. In the case of late enrollment, any portion of a semester remaining will be pro rated.
- I. OLA recognizes that occasionally circumstances make it impossible to make payments on schedule. At such a time, please contact the principal to discuss options. OLA seeks to work with families in a proactive manner when situations arise.

CRUSADER PRIDE PROGRAM

Each Academy family is expected to complete 25 hours of school participation (volunteer service). Crusader Pride points are to be recorded in the notebook located in the school office.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

The Orlando Lutheran Academy seeks to make it possible for all interested families to select OLA to educate their children. Tuition assistance applications are available online at www.tuitionaid.com. The following is information on available financial assistance:

SCHOLARSHIPS

Various academic scholarships are available through The Orlando Lutheran Academy. The criteria for each scholarship are different.

GRANTS

Tuition assistance in the form of a grant is available based on need.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is eligible?

- Any family that demonstrates need via the completion of the financial assistance application.

When do I apply?

- There is no deadline, but it is first come first serve to registered students. There is a designated amount of money budgeted that will be given.

How do I apply?

- Application forms are available online at www.tuitionaid.com. Parents are notified of grant approval.

What is considered?

- Family income, number of children in school, single parent homes, unusual medical expenses, and other special circumstances.

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Some students of The Orlando Lutheran Academy have other resources for obtaining financial assistance, including:

- Church and school scholarships
- Gifts from family and friends
- Florida School Choice funding organizations such as Children First and McKay Scholarships

ORGANIZATION

The Orlando Lutheran Academy, Inc. is owned and operated by an association of Lutheran congregations whose purpose is to provide a Christian education for the youth of their churches and community. The following churches are members of the Association:

- Ascension Lutheran, Casselberry
- Holy Cross Lutheran, Lake Mary
- Hope Lutheran, Orlando
- Journey of Life Lutheran Church, Orlando
- Prince of Peace Lutheran, Orlando
- St. John Lutheran, Winter Park
- St. Luke's Lutheran, Oviedo
- Trinity Lutheran, Downtown Orlando
- Zion New Life Lutheran, Gotha