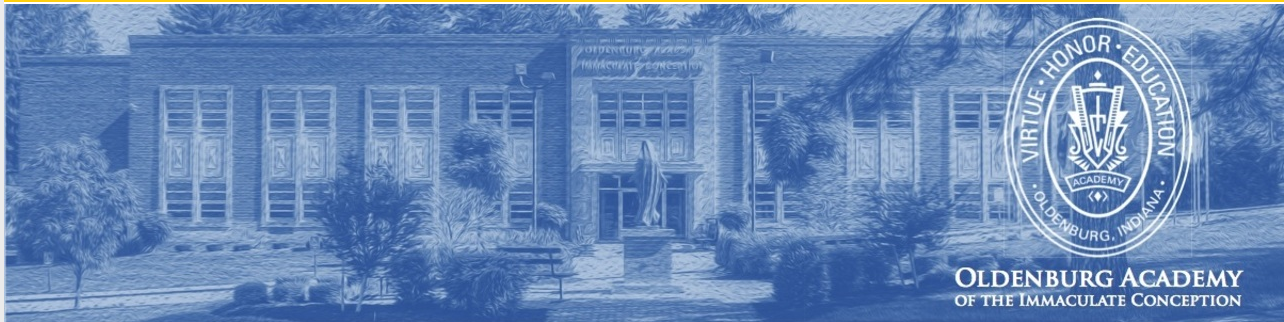




OLDENBURG ACADEMY  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

# TWISTER NEWS

December 21, 2023



An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

But the angel said to them,  
' Do not be afraid.

I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

-Luke 2:8-20

As we approach the celebration of Christmas, we are filled with gratitude for the incredible spirit that defines our school community. This Advent Season reminds us of the profound meaning of love, compassion, and the miraculous gift of hope that Christ brings into our lives. As we begin our Christmas break, let us cherish the time spent with loved ones, rejuvenate our spirits, and reflect on the blessings that surround us. May the peace of Christ fill your homes, and may the new year bring abundant opportunities for growth, learning, and joy.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas filled with love, laughter, and the warmth of family. May the upcoming year be a journey of hope, faith, and boundless possibilities.

Annette and Angie

							Oldenburg Academy													
							School Calendar 2024 - 2025													
August 2024							August 2024							January 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	5 - Teacher Work Day							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3	6 - Freshmen Orientation										1	2	3	4
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	7 - First Student Day for all Students							5	6	7	8	9	10	11
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	26 - 2pm dismissal for PD							12	13	14	15	16	17	18
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	September 2024							19	20	21	22	23	24	25
25	26	27	28	29	31	31	2 - Labor Day - No School							26	27	28	29	30	31	
September 2024							23 - 2pm dismissal for PD							February 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	October 2024							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7 - 11 Fall Break													1
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	28 - 2pm dismissal for PD							2	3	4	5	6	7	8
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	November 2024							9	10	11	12	13	14	15
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	27 - 29 Thanksgiving Break							16	17	18	19	20	21	22
29	30						December 2024							23	24	25	26	27	28	
October 2024							16 - 2pm dismissal for PD							March 2025						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	20 End of Semester 1							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5	23 - January 3 - Christmas Vacation													1
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	January 2025							2	3	4	5	6	7	8
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	3 - Teacher Work Day							9	10	11	12	13	14	15
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	6 - School Resumes for 2nd Semester							16	17	18	19	20	21	22
27	28	29	30	31			20 - Martin Luther King Day - No School							23	24	25	26	27	28	29
November 2024							27 - 2pm dismissal for PD							30	31					
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	February 2025							April 2025						
					1	2	17 - Presidents Day - No School							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	24 - 2pm dismissal for PD									1	2	3	4	5
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	March 2025							6	7	8	9	10	11	12
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	17 - 21 Spring Break							13	14	15	16	17	18	19
24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31 - 2pm dismissal for PD							20	21	22	23	24	25	26
December 2024							April 2025							27	28	29	30			
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	18 - Good Friday - No School							May 2025						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	21 - Easter Monday - No School							S	M	T	W	T	F	S
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	28 - 2pm dismissal for PD											1	2	3
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	May 2025							4	5	6	7	8	9	10
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	23 - Last Student Day							11	12	13	14	15	16	17
29	30	31					26 - Memorial Day							18	19	21	21	22	23	24
							June 2025							25	26	27	28	29	30	31
							1 - Graduation 1:00 pm Sisters Chapel													

- Teacher Work Days
- 2pm Dismissal Days
- Break Days
- Last Day of School





### Student Artists Help Create the Town of Batesville's Christmas Decor

Oldenburg Academy students painted 4 of the Christmas theme design boxes that are on display in the town of Batesville. Our students painted the Christmas boxes in response to a request by the Batesville Beautification League. Boxes were designed by Gabbi Moore, Lydia Erhard, Norah Haverkos, and Rachel Cigolotti.

Thanks to the many students who participated in the painting:

Freshmen: Connor Holder, Max Rees, Garrett Sohmer, Ava Hollins, Ali Nobbe, Campbell Miles, Olivia Leising, Claire Niese, Rylan Hill, Carson Hartwell, Juston Dietz, Wally Peralta, Ryan Hautman, Stephanie Wagner, and Belle Young,

Junior: Maria Voegele

Seniors: Lily Dennis and Amelia Crawford.



### Wreaths Across Ripley County

This past week, Mr. Hartman and a number of OA students helped place a veteran's wreath at the headstone of servicemembers buried at the Holy Family Cemetery. Thank you to the Ripley County Community Foundation for helping our community remember and honor our veterans this Christmas!

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## Monday Morning Advent Prayer

Each Monday of this Advent season, we have gathered as a school community for a brief prayer service.

This week, before students headed to their first exam of the week, we held our last prayer service before Christmas break!



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## Archdiocese of Indianapolis Gala

Sophomore, Madeline Ryan and Junior, Elana Hollingsworth donated their works of art to be auctioned at the Gala. We are thrilled that their donations will represent Oldenburg Academy at the Gala. Madeline has donated a linoleum reduction print of Spring Mill State Park and Elana has donated an etching of the front of the Sisters of St. Francis chapel.



The Legacy Gala is an evening of celebration and support of three vital ministries in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis: Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, and Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary. This is the second year of the Student Art Showcase at the 2024 Legacy Gala on Friday, February 9th, 2024.

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## Volunteer Highlight

Freshman Stephanie Wagner organized a new student volunteer ministry to reach out to the Sisters of St. Francis who are in the infirmary and not a part of our "Adopt--a-Sis" program. She initiated a card-giving ministry this Advent





season to bring Christmas joy to these Sisters. She hopes to continue this ministry and invite other students to join her in 2024.



### **Rising Stars of Indiana**

Congratulations to our Rising Stars of Indiana, Jacob Hilbert, Zachary Hoff, Caroline Niese, and Annabelle Nunlist.

These four students were nominated by our faculty as superior representatives of Oldenburg Academy. They each possess the positive character traits of servant leadership, hard work, respectfulness, and dependability. We look forward to seeing what their futures hold!

### **Indy March for Life | Monday, January 22, 2024**

We anticipate taking a group to Indy for the Youth Rally, Mass for Life, and March for Life on January 22. More info will be given when we return from Christmas break.

**Check out the most recent episode of the Student Media Class' Around The 'Burg!**

[Click Here!](#)



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### **Soapy Joe's Fundraiser Pickup | Today!**

Junior Class Soapy Joe's Fundraiser orders are ready for pickup from the auditorium. Please be sure they are picked up by 1pm TODAY.

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**Christmas Break Dates | December 22nd - January 3rd**

*Students return on January 4th.*

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### What if I've already registered?

If you have already registered for an ACT test, you can use this code to receive \$5 off an ACT test registration for the February, April, June, or July 2024 test dates.

### How long is the voucher code valid?

The voucher code must be redeemed by the time the extended February ACT registration closes on January 22 at 11:59 p.m. CT.

### Can the voucher code be used for any ACT test date?

The voucher code is valid for the February, April, June, or July 2024 ACT test dates.

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### Senior Scholarships

The Ripley County Community Foundation senior scholarship application is now available online. OA students are welcome to apply for many scholarships using one simple, online application. More scholarships may be added to this site before the end of the year. The application deadline is February 1, 2024. Please see the above flyer for more information.

Note: Scholarship information will be updated on Oldenburg Academy's website beginning in January. It is updated as new scholarship opportunities are sent our way, so check back often!

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### **Oldenburg Academy welcomes transfer students to OA!**

To schedule a tour or a visit, contact our Admissions office at [mfreeland@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:mfreeland@oldenburgacademy.org).

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## ***FUTURE TWISTER EVENTS***

- **Junior High Night | January 5th**
- **Class of 2028 Freshman Registration | January 17th | Anytime 4:00-6:30**
- **Class of 2028 Scholarship Ceremony | March 6th**

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*Spread the Word! Share these admissions events with prospective families by forwarding this Twister Newsletter to your friends!*

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OLDENBURG ACADEMY  
**JUNIOR HIGH  
Night**

**JANUARY 5, 2024**

All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade junior high students are welcome to join us for the Girls and Boys Varsity Basketball home games on January 5th against Shawe Memorial!

Junior high students will receive

**FREE ADMISSION** and enjoy a **FREE SLICE OF PIZZA!**

**Girls Varsity Basketball**

6:00 PM

**Boys Varsity Basketball**

7:30 PM



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## Homecoming Spirit Week 2023

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Mon 1/8	Tue 1/9	Wed 1/10	Thu 1/11	Fri 1/12
<p><b>Jersey Day!</b></p> <p>wear your favorite athlete or team's jersey with <u>uniform bottoms.</u></p>	<p><b>Mono-chromatic Day!</b></p> <p>wear the same color from head to toe!</p> <p>jeans/sweatpants allowed</p>	<p><b>Clashing Mismatch Day!</b></p> <p>wear mismatched clothing and clashing patterns!</p> <p>Jeans/Sweatpants allowed.</p>	<p><b>Country Western Day!</b></p> <p>wear your best country attire. Boots, hats, flannels, etc.</p> <p>jeans/sweatpants allowed</p>	<p><b>Homecoming Tshirt Day!</b></p> <p>wear your HOCO tshirt with jeans or sweatpants to school and to the game to cheer on your Twisters!</p>

Don't forget to join us Friday night for the homecoming basketball game against South Ripley!



# SEMI

IN THE

# SNOW



**@ ROMWEBER MARKETPLACE**

DAY	TIME	PRICE
<b>JAN, 13</b>	<b>8-11PM</b>	<b>\$12</b>



**Semi will be January 13th at Romweber Marketplace.**

ALL Oldenburg Academy students are welcome to attend. Guests are welcome from other schools. Please see our dress code below and adhere to these guidelines.

#### **DRESS CODE FOR DANCES**

Dress code for dances will be as follows:

- Any person whose apparel would prove embarrassing to other students, the sponsors or chaperones will not be admitted.
- Dresses that reveal bare midriffs, bare backs below the waistline, are sheer or see through are not permitted.

- Dresses must be at minimum fingertip length.
- Dress may not advertise alcohol, tobacco products or drugs.
- Dress of any offensive nature will not be permitted.
- Shoes must be worn.
- Shirts must be buttoned and worn at all times.

*Any violation to this policy, or the related policies in the student handbook, will result in the individual being asked to leave the dance with a possible call home by the school moderator or administrator. Guests must also adhere to the policies above, so, if you bring a friend, please explain the expectations and know that if they go home, so will the student who brought them.*

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### **After Prom**

Some of our students have expressed an interest in revitalizing an after prom. If there are any parents willing to take the lead on this, please reach out to Mrs. Parmer via email at [aparmer@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:aparmer@oldenburgacademy.org). Prom is May 4, 2024. After prom could be held in the Feldhaus.

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### **Important Dates to Remember!**

- **December 22 - January 3** | Christmas Break
  - **January 4** | Students Return to School
  - **January 5** | Junior High Night
  - **January 13** | Semi-Formal Dance
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**Thursday 12/28**

Girls JV/V Basketball @ Waldron 6/7:30



**Saturday 12/30**

Boys JV/V Basketball @ Franklin Co. 12/1:30

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### **Girls Tennis Coach Opening**

Oldenburg has an opening for the girls tennis program. Please contact [mhigdon@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:mhigdon@oldenburgacademy.org) if interested.

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## LUCKY BUCK RAFFLE



### **Lucky Buck Winners**

December 1, 2023, \$100, Vicki Rugg, Sunman, sold by Grace Rugg, 2027

December 8, 2023, \$100, Robert Lischkge, Moores Hill, sold by Elana Hollingsworth, 2025

December 8, 2023, \$1000, Cheryl Parmer, Greensburg, sold by Angie Parmer, OA Staff

December 15, 2023, \$100, Bernie Meyer, Oldenburg, sold by Debbie Lamping '73 OA Staff

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*Cafeteria Volunteers Needed!*

We need parent or grandparent volunteers to help during lunchtime in the OA Café! Time would be 11:10 am to 1:00 pm. If you can work once a month, once a week, or

as a sub, all would be helpful, and much appreciated!

Please sign up on our sign-up genius form by clicking the button below.

Sign Up!

If you have questions, please email [avoegele@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:avoegele@oldenburgacademy.org) for more information. Your children/grandchildren will be happy to see your smiling faces at lunchtime!

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### **OA Blessing Box**

Oldenburg Academy's Blessing Box is looking for family volunteers to stock the Blessing Box each week this semester.

Please see this [Sign Up Genius](#) for more details and to sign up!

Contact Mrs. Gehring with any questions at [mgehring@oldenburgacademy.org](mailto:mgehring@oldenburgacademy.org).

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December  
2023

# Twice Blessed Resale

of Oldenburg Academy

SUN	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	<b>TAG COLORS</b>			<b>BLUE- NEW ARRIVALS</b>		1 75% OFF HOME	2 50% OFF BOOKS
	<b>RED- 50% OFF</b>		<b>PINK- 25% OFF</b>				
3	4 50% OFF LADIES CLOTHES	5 MANAGER'S SPECIAL	6 OVER 50 25% OFF UNDER 50 20% OFF	7 60% OFF TOYS	8 75% OFF CLOTHES	9 50% OFF SHOES & BOOTS	
10	11 50% OFF MEN'S CLOTHES	12 MANAGER'S SPECIAL	13 OVER 50 25% OFF UNDER 50 20% OFF	14 60% OFF HOLIDAY	15 75% OFF FORMAL WEAR	16 50% OFF SCARVES, HATS & GLOVES	
17	18 50% OFF KIDS CLOTHES	19 MANAGER'S SPECIAL	20 OVER 50 25% OFF UNDER 50 20% OFF	21 75% OFF HOME ITEMS	22 75% OFF HOLIDAY	23 PICK A DISCOUNT	
24 31	25 CLOSED MERRY	26 CLOSED CHRISTMAS	27 OVER 50 25% OFF UNDER 50 20% OFF	28 60% OFF CLOTHES	29 FUN FRIDAY	30 \$1.00 A BAG OUTSIDE	

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