

"That's a Wrap!" NLSW Comes to a Close

What a week it was! National Lutheran Schools Week is held every year in January and provides us an opportunity to proclaim great blessings within the communities we serve. This year, Our Savior Christian Academy focused on our school's theme, "Making Disciples for Life" and the many blessings He has bestowed on our students and families. Parents and caregivers of our PreK4 students had the opportunity to Come and See Jesus in the classroom. Invited guests witnessed scripture memorization, prayer, bible story time, chapel, along with daily announcements.

Thank you to OSCA's middle and high school students for your amazing questions during the Alumni Q&A that was held at our Smithville campus. Our alumni and high school senior panel shared how the foundations built at OSCA continue to provide them with good building blocks for learning and growth. Lastly, thank you to all who donated food for our food drive. We collected over 500 pounds of food!

The Benefits Of An Excellent Education: Who Cares?

Who cares about faith-based education? We do and we pray you have seen excellence in faith-based education while attending Our Savior Christian Academy. Regardless if your family has supported faith-based education for a long time or if you have recently witnessed the advantage of a Christian education, we all should support the work of Christian schools! At OSCA, we strongly believe a child's education starts with an strong education built on Christian foundations. According to the Herzog Foundation, "Your child's faith journey should not be something that takes place on Sundays or after school, but instead should be integrated into their everyday life." As noted in our school theme for the 2022-2023 school year, it is about Making Disciples for Life, in which we serve to save the spiritually lost, to grow the faith of the spiritually saved, and to equip the saved to be courageous Christian witness to the nonbelieving world. Through a Christian education. specifically education an obtained from OSCA, each student is shown the love of Jesus which instills in each student a love of learning and desire to serve the Lord.

MoScholars Applications Now Available

Are you familiar with the State of Missouri's answer to helping out families whose children attend private schools? It is called the "Missouri **Empowerment** Scholarship Accounts Program- or MoScholars for short. It is based on Missouri House bill HCS/HB 349, which was signed into law on July 14, The purpose of this scholarship 2021. provide educational is to program opportunities and resources to Missouri students and families, allowing them to seek an array of alternative educational services ranging from private schools to therapeutic services. Scholarships are provided up to \$6,375 for each student. These scholarships are good for each year of a student's education, renewing automatically as long as the student stays enrolled in a qualified school like OSCA! There are a number of requirements, so families should seek more information to help determine their eligibility, but the basics include the following.

Your family must reside in Clay County OR have a KCMO address. If your child had an IEP or ISP in the past three years and you meet the residency requirements, then you qualify. If you meet the residency requirements, but your child did not have an IEP or ISP, you can still qualify if your family meets the income requirements AND your child attended public school for at least one semester last year OR they are a current Kindergartener or First Grader at OSCA. These amounts reflect your family adjusted gross income which can be found in box 9 of your most recent Federal 1040 form. We encourage families to check out the Herzog Tomorrow Foundation to see if your family qualifies.

moscholars.herzogtomorrowfoundation.com/



"The collaboration with Our Savior Christian Academy is much appreciated. Every child Herzog can place in Christian education is a blessing."

Stephanie Goodnight Operations Director Herzog Foundation



Pre-Enrollment Now Open for 2023-2024

It is pre-enrollment time! This is a unique opportunity for our current families to secure their child(ren)'s placement for the 2023-2024 academic year before enrollment is open to new students. **Enrollment forms along with the non-refundable first tuition payment are due by February 15, 2023**.

Any questions regarding financial arrangements can be done via email to your building Principal. Class sizes are limited so register today! Enrollment forms can be found on the school website under the forms tab.