



South Olive Christian School

A school that partners with
families to provide an affordable,
Christ-centered education.

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Parent Guide

Tuition, Parent Service Hours, Calendar, & more



2022-2023 School Year

Welcome to South Olive Christian School

We live in a challenging and uncertain 21st Century. South Olive Christian School partners with families to raise up the next generation of fearless Kingdom builders. For 70 years, SOCS families have believed access to a Christ-centered education that fosters a love for Jesus Christ should be accessible to ALL regardless of economic means.

Our goal is to raise up Christian young adults who are able to go into the world with a heart for God, a mind trained in discernment, and an unchanging standard by which to live. The relationship that children have with their Lord and Savior is developed and strengthened at home and in the classroom.

South Olive Christian School keeps tuition affordable through the model of parent service hours. We encourage parents to take part in this effort. Many hands make light work. (Learn more on page 3.)

We welcome you to South Olive Christian School and look forward to a fruitful 2022-23 school year.



2022-2023 Tuition

The 2022-2023 tuition cost for your child(ren) to attend SOCS is listed below. SOCS values parent-partnered, Christ-centered, affordable education. Parent Service Hours enable SOCS to keep tuition low for all. See *Parent Service Hours* and *Grants & Aid* for more information.

Preschool/Young 5s

2 Day Preschool	\$989 + 5 parent service hours
3 Day Preschool	\$1,442 + 5 parent service hours
AM Young 5	\$2,403 + 5 parent service hours
All Day Young 5	\$4,020 + 5 parent service hours

Homeschool (K—5th Grade)

1 Student	\$3,856 + 16 parent service hours
2 Students	\$6,441 + 16 parent service hours
3 Students	\$8,242 + 16 parent service hours
4 Students	\$9,423 + 16 parent service hours

Kindergarten—8th Grade

1 Student	\$4,820 + 20 parent service hours
2 Students	\$8,051 + 20 parent service hours
3 Students	\$10,302 + 20 parent service hours
4 Students	\$11,779 + 20 parent service hours

Affordable

at South Olive Christian School

South Olive Christian School partners with families to raise up the next generation of fearless Kingdom builders. For 70 years, SOCS families have believed access to a Christ-centered education that fosters a love for Jesus Christ should be affordable regardless of economic means. To make this dream a reality, we incorporate Parent Service Hours into the cost of tuition. SOCS also offers grants and aid.

Parent Service Hours

SOCS is a special place where we join together to create a “parent-partnered, Christ-centered, affordable” environment where our children learn, grow and become strong Kingdom builders. **The Parent Service Hours performed by each family/household earn the school about \$1,000/family which is used to keep tuition low for all students.** SOCS has one of the lowest Christian school tuitions in the area because of the famous Pig in the Blanket fundraising effort. Parent Service Hours can be completed by participating in SOCS Famous Pigs &/or SOCS Auction.

Parent Service Hours can be completed any time from July 2022-July 2023.





Option #1: SOCS Famous Pigs

SOCS Famous Pigs is a time-honored fundraiser at South Olive that runs year around. The production of the famous Pigs in the Blanket has become so popular within the community that production is being taken to a new level in 2022. This endeavor raises incredible funds for SOCS which helps keep the tuition low for all families. The work is easy and fun! No experience required but be ready to have a lot of fun! Pigs are made all year long. *(There is no longer a \$10/hour tuition credit for pigs.)*

Option #2: SOCS Auction

The school's largest fundraiser, raising \$75,000/year, requires many hands to bring it to life. There are all types of job responsibilities from item procurement to event day set-up so there is a job perfect for you. The auction takes place in April.

Scan to sign-up for Parent Service Hours!



Grants & Aid

SOCS does not desire financial constraints to hinder any student from joining our family and learning about the wonders of our unchanging God. Any families interested in financial assistance for the upcoming school year can apply for assistance.

Apply at: sochristian.org/affordable-for-all

Volunteering

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At South Olive Christian School, we believe it takes a community of Christ followers to raise up the next generation of fearless Kingdom builders. Leading our students by example is a calling and honor. Below are some enjoyable ways to demonstrate God's love for our students, families and community.

Craft Show*

Saturday, November 5

The SOCS Craft Show features crafters and vendors from all over the state. Helping Hands leads the charge, coordinating this one-day fundraising event with the help of volunteers to set-up vendor tables, run the bake sale and more.

Pastor's Feast*

Thursday, November 17

Invite your pastor, youth leader, worship director or all of the above to the Pastor's Feast. This celebration feast is an event to give back to those individuals that are leading our church families. Event includes a meal and program involving the whole school family. Event hosted by Helping Hands.

Christmas Program

Thursday, December 15

Merry Christmas! Join the entire SOCS Family in celebrating the birth of Jesus at the annual Christmas Program. Music and desserts for all! Bring your friends and family to this free event.

Christian Schools Fine Arts Festival

March 2023

Celebrate God's gift of music, art, & creative writing by volunteering at the Christian Schools Fine Arts Festival. A 5th-8th grade multi-school event that South Olive Christian School will host this year. The event runs from 8am-3pm. Volunteers are needed to serve as greeters and work concessions.

VIP Day*

Who's that special person(s) in your student's life. Maybe grandma and grandpa? Aunt or Uncle? Caring friend? Whoever your son or daughter's VIP, mark this special day on the calendar. Food, music and SOCS hospitality.

Friday, April 28

SOCS Auction

The SOCS Auction takes place in April and raises upwards of \$75,000 for South Olive Christian School. This fundraising event is a community tradition that rallies the hearts of hundreds of people each year who come to support Christian education. It takes many hands to make this event a reality. Parent Service Hours and volunteered skills, items and hours make this event come to life.

Saturday, April 15

SOCS Famous Pigs

Once you've completed your Parent Service Hours, you can continue to help with the creation of the famous pigs-in-the-blanket as a volunteer. The Pigs operation generates incredible revenue used to keep school tuition low. No experience required but be ready to have a lot of fun! Pigs are made year-around.

All Year

*Helping Hands

Helping Hands is South Olive Christian School's version of a PTA. Providing a variety of support to SOCS, this parent-led organization plans events, showers teachers with appreciation and works to improve SOCS facilities inside and out.

Involvement in Helping Hands is voluntary.

Become a Helping Hand!

Watch the Beacon for meeting times.

Contact Kelsey Greer at 616-335-1166.



Your SOCS Team

Every member of the SOCS team believes your child was uniquely and wonderfully created by God. The teachers, aides, administrative team and Board of Directors are all here to serve your student and family so we can build up the kingdom for Christ.



Mrs. Polly Storteboom
Preschool/Young 5's



Ms. Kelsey DeWitt
1st Grade



Ms. Sherrie Stuursma
3rd Grade (PM)



Mrs. Emily Kohl
Kindergarten



Ms. Kaylee Tonneberger
2nd Grade



Mrs. Tammy Klaver
4th/5th Grade



Mrs. Kelsey Greer
Mrs. Kohl's Long Term Sub



Mrs. Jamie Essenburg
3rd Grade (AM)



Mrs. Dawn Verbrugge
Middle School



Mrs. Becky Blank
Middle School



Mr. Mark Rozeboom
Principal
Middle School



Mrs. Deanne DeYoung
Administrative Assistant



Mrs. Tiffany Miedema
Administrative Assistant

Class Aides

Deb Veldheer (Preschool)
Kris Jaarsma (Preschool)
Jodi Diemer (Kindergarten)
Kim Roark (3rd Grade)
Sheryl Vanderklok (Middle School)

Finance

Cathy Diemer
Claire Schotanus

Mkt & Dev.

Heather Rodgers
Amber Storteboom
Carly Brooks

SOCS Pigs

Laura Baird
Dana Nienhuis

K—3rd Specials Teachers

Nicole Sanders—Art
Samantha Baumann—Librarian
Benjamin Rodgers—Music/Choir
Matthew Bradley—Physical Education (P.E.)
Amy Pembrook—Spanish
Nathan Little—Tech

4th—8th Specials Teachers

Polly Storteboom—Art
Benjamin Rodgers—Music/Choir

Board of Directors

Jesse DeYoung
Shawn Diemer
Ken Koetsier
Jordan Miedema

Scott Storteboom
Dan TenHarmsel
Victoria White

Calendar 22-23

SEPTEMBER

- 2 (Friday) Labor Day Weekend (No School)
- 5 (Monday) Labor Day (No School)
- 6 (Tuesday) First day of Preschool/Young 5s
- 30 (Friday) Field Day

OCTOBER

- 10 (Monday) Christian Reformed Conference Center
- 17 (Monday) Picture Day
- 19 (Wednesday) Prof Development **(No School)**
- 20-21 (Thursday—Friday) Prof Development **(No School)**
- 28 (Friday) End 1st Marking Period

NOVEMBER

- 4 (Friday) Report Cards
- 5 (Saturday) Craft Show (Helping Hands)
- 7 (Monday) Parent/Teacher Conferences, 5:00pm—8:00pm
- 8 (Tuesday) Parent/Teacher Conferences, Noon—3:30pm
(Half Day)
- 17 (Thursday) Pastor's Feast (Helping Hands)
- 23-25 (Wed—Friday) Thanksgiving Break **(No School)**

DECEMBER

- 15 (Thursday) Christmas Program
- 19-30 (Monday—Friday) **Christmas Break (No School)**

JANUARY

- 2 (Monday) School Resumes
- 13 (Friday) End 1st Semester **(Half Day)**
- 20 (Friday) Report Cards
- 23-27 (Monday—Friday) "School of Choice" Spirit Week!

FEBRUARY

- 20-21 (Monday-Tuesday) **Winter Break (No School)**

MARCH

15 (Wednesday) SOCS PD
16-17 (Thursday—Friday) MACUL Conference
17 (Friday) End 3rd Marking Period
24 (Friday) Report Cards
27 (Monday) Student-led PT Conferences, 5:00—8:00pm
28 (Tuesday) Student-led PT Conferences, Noon—3:30pm
(Half Day)

APRIL

3/31-4/7 (Friday—Friday) **Spring Break (No School)**
10 (Monday) School Resumes
15 (Saturday) Auction?
26 (Wednesday) Administrative Professionals Day
28 (Friday) VIP Day (Half Day)

MAY

2 (Tuesday) Teacher's Appreciation Day
11 (Thursday) Tulip Time Parade in PM?
18 (Thursday) Last day of Preschool (Field Trip)
18 or 25 (Thursday) SOCS End of the Year Picnic
19 (Friday) PreK/Young 5s Graduation Day
19 (Friday) (Half Day)
29 (Monday) Memorial Day (No School)

JUNE

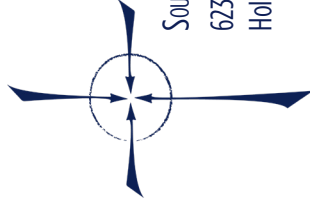
1 (Thursday) MS Graduation at 7:00pm
2 (Friday) Last Day/Field Day (Half Day)



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Holland, MI 49424

About South Olive Christian School

South Olive Christian School (SOCS) is an accredited non-denominational PK-8 Christian School. SOCS is a school that partners with families to provide an affordable, Christ-centered education. Our desire is to prepare and equip students for the challenges of an uncertain 21st Century world, with the foundations of a certain and unchanging God.

Learn more at sochristian.org