



The Mission Middle School Academy

OUR LADY QUEEN OF APOSTLES

The Catholic School in Center Moriches

6th—8th

Who Are We?

Called to be a family of families, Our Lady Queen of Apostles Regional Catholic School seeks to educate and nurture our students as disciples of Jesus Christ firmly grounded in our Catholic Tradition. Inviting God to be a part of the daily rhythm of our school-life, we strive to give our students a sure foundation of faith and a moral compass. By instilling in them a sense of self control, respect, and relationship, we help to guide their lives and shape the world of tomorrow. By seeking always to give our students individual attention, calling them by name and walking with them, we work to promote and uphold their dignity so they can achieve academic excellence and have a successful future. The environment of our school is shaped by civility, order, and respect helping our students to learn to never settle for mediocrity and treat everyone with the same compassion and dignity they have received. As a home away from home, the Catholic School of Center Moriches, seeks to provide a safe and beautiful place to grow.

Students in The Mission will learn...

The Academic Discipline of Theology

- Instruction from the school's Campus Minister
- 6th Grade—Sacred Scripture
- 7th Grade—Jesus & the Gospel Message
- 8th Grade—The Communion of the Faithful

Humanities: Connecting Literature to History

- Reading of Novels & Short Stories
- Exploring different writing styles (including Research)
- Expanding vocabulary
- 6th Grade—Ancient Civilizations
- 7th & 8th Grade—American History



Mathematics

- NYS Curriculum for 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade
- Opportunity to take High School Algebra Regents

Science

- 6th Grade—Physical Science
- 7th Grade—Life Science
- 8th Grade—Living Environment (with the opportunity to take the High School Living Environment Regents)

Special Subject Areas

- STREAM (Science + Technology + Religion + Art + Math)
- Technology: Preparation for Computer Based Testing, Opportunity to Purchase Individual Chromebook & Google Apps for Education
- Language: Daily Spanish classes in preparation for fulfillment of 1st year High School Language Requirement
- Physical Education two periods a week
- Weekly Art, Music, and Chorus Classes
- Weekly Study Skills
- Partnership with Jimmy Osborne Music for School Band Program

What makes The Mission special?

Project REACH (Research + Education + Academics + Catholicism + Hope)

As part of their graduation requirement, students develop a topic and research process for a full year multi-disciplinary research project, in collaboration with St. Joseph's College. Students work with mentors—accomplished professionals in their field of interest—to develop a research design and process. This comprehensive process begins in the Fall of 7th grade. Students present their findings at an academic symposium in the Spring of 8th grade.



Prayer & Worship

Students begin the school year with a retreat at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island where they set aside time for prayer, community, and goal setting. Each incoming 6th grade class picks a patron saint to accompany them throughout their time in The Mission. The Mission attends mass once a week, in addition to the monthly school-wide liturgies. Throughout the year students are exposed to different types of prayer. The year ends with an 8th Grade Graduation Retreat and Days of Reflection for 6th and 7th Grades.



Service Experiences

Each month of the academic year is dedicated to engaging the students in one of the many aspects of the Missionary Life of the Church. Students embark on off-site “Mission Trips”, attend talks from leaders in different areas of ministry, take leadership initiative in fundraising events, and connect with local parish ministries.

Student Activities

Students have the opportunity to make OLQA their “home away from home” by partaking in a number of different student activities that address a wide array of interests.

Catholic Middle School Athletics Association

The Mission students have the opportunity to participate in Cross Country, Boys and Girls Basketball, and Co-ed Volleyball through CMSAA travel program.

These are unique and challenging times particularly in the work and ministry of education. OLQA's size and community nature allow us to adapt to these times. Since the Spring of 2020, faculty and students make critical and effective use of educational technology to further our mission of learning and formation even remotely. Each teacher provides a strong online presence, through Google Classroom, that allows parents to link to their child's learning experience. This allows us to provide a continuation of learning at home when this may be required.

Come and discover the OLQA difference at the Catholic School in Center Moriches.

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