



# *Our Lady of Victory School*

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Dear Parents,

You may know that Our Lady of Victory has participated in E-Rate for the last several years. E-Rate (Educational-rate discount) is the common name for the Universal Service Fund (USF) for schools and libraries. The USF provides discounts to telecommunications carriers for delivering affordable telecommunications services to our school district and community libraries. Since the 1997-98 school year, Our Lady of Victory has received substantial discounts that include local and long distance telephone service, Internet access, and the internal connections to build and maintain computer networks that are connected to the Internet down to the classroom level. **WE ARE NOW ENTERING A NEW GRANT PERIOD AND WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

The law allows the schools and the community libraries to receive these discounts. The rate of discount is determined by the number of families our school is serving that live with modest incomes that might be below specific national standards. **THESE SAVINGS HELP IMPROVE COMMUNICATION AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN AT OUR SCHOOL.**

You can greatly assist us in qualifying for the largest discount allowable by indicating whether or not your family qualifies according to the guidelines used by the School Library Division. Accompanying this letter, you will find the survey. Please take a minute to fill out and return the form to the office as soon as possible. **THIS INFORMATION WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL AND WILL BE REPORTED ONLY AS A TOTAL GROUP, NOT BY INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES.** By returning this survey, we will be better able to maintain affordable access to the telecommunications services described above.

Thank you for your participation in helping Our Lady of Victory stretch its resources to best serve all students. If you have any questions, please call.

Thank you,

Peg Augello  
Principal