



MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH
LOVE GOD. LOVE ONE ANOTHER.

Dear Lutheran High student, parent, and Messiah Partner in Ministry,

Messiah Lutheran Church and Lutheran High School of Orange County (LHSOC, OLu) have enjoyed a strong association and relationship of mutual support that dates to the school's founding in 1973.

We are very pleased that you are attending, or planning to attend, OLu. We know this Christian education and your faithful engagement at Messiah are a foundation that will bless you now and throughout your life.

As a Messiah family member, we want you to know our commitment to support your education experience. Our partnership is both spiritual and financial extending from a generous church of Christian education supporters.

In 2008, Messiah established a Youth Education Endowment so that we can permanently maintain our association with OLu and support the families from our church who attend there. As the endowment grows over the coming years, Messiah will be positioned to better afford the association responsibilities and offset funds currently going to OLu from the church's General Fund to become available for other important local and global ministries.

As parents ourselves of six children that attended OLu (and with spouses and other family members who teach or attended there, too), we know how education and spiritual experiences in high school are formative and will always be key cornerstones in their adult lives. We are grateful for Messiah's sharing in this investment with the fees they paid as an association member of OLu.

As you participate yourself in this ministry relationship, you should be aware of some key benefits that are yours because Messiah is an associate church member of OLu:

- Children from our congregation are given a priority in the admissions process
- Messiah allocates and provides an annual association membership of \$750 for each child (The OLu association memberships represent one of our largest ministry investments)
- Families who are active in our church life also receive a tuition discount of \$2600 this year

We know that for your student and family to experience the full benefits that Messiah and OLu each provide, active participation in our collective ministries is a key enabler. At Messiah, worship is the starting place. Additionally, we have a variety of local and global service opportunities in which your family, including your student, can also participate. In a time when many parents are looking for ways to connect with their teens, we would suggest a service opportunity together. We receive resounding positive feedback these are fun and memorable and you will be living out the mission to **Love God • Love One Another.**



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The policy Messiah follows for signing the yellow LHSOC Association Membership Card we receive from you to activate your OLu annual tuition discount is as follows:

- Families will be regular in worship attendance (a minimum of twice per month)
- Families will be involved and participate in the life of Messiah beyond worship (student ministries, service projects, etc.)
- Families will show generosity to God and their church by making and honoring an annual financial pledge of at least \$750 for ongoing ministry
- Families will consider an above-and-beyond gift to the Youth Education Endowment

Donations and regular offerings to Messiah that enable your child's reduced tuition are tax-deductible. We encourage gifts that range from the \$750 association membership to the \$2600 you save in tuition from our association with OLu. If you can give more, that is great!

Attached with this letter is an information sheet about the Youth Education Endowment. Donations to the Youth Education Endowment are gifts above and beyond any other contributions you make for the ministry of Messiah. Every dollar you contribute to the endowment will help sustain this great ministry for your student, siblings (perhaps), and for others attending in the future.

By April 3, 2016, please review the attached information, sign and complete the Messiah/OLu Ministry and Participation Commitment form, and submit a financial pledge card (if not already completed). This will provide the opportunity for us to respond in a timely way on the LHSOC Association Membership Card.

It is our hope that you will respond to this letter with grateful and enthusiastic hearts. We have found it most beneficial to be clear in our mutual commitments. We encourage you to read and discuss this letter as a family. We will continue to support a deep association with OLu on your behalf, and we will pray for your student's success there. We stand with you to help you make the high-school experience for your student highly rewarding and faith-building.

If you have any questions please feel free to connect with us.

In Christ's joy,

Bob Mooney, Senior Pastor

Jeff Rogers, Council President



Messiah/Lutheran High Ministry and Participation Commitment

We have read and understand the Messiah/Lutheran High ministry guidelines as stated in the enclosed letter. We agree that:

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Parent(s)

Signature *Print name* *Date*

Signature *Print name* *Date*

Student(s)

Signature *Print name* *Date*

Signature *Print name* *Date*

Commitment card [] previously completed; [] attached

Note: Worship attendance will be registered through Welcome Cards collected during worship

Please describe ways you intend to be involved and participate in the life of Messiah beyond worship



Messiah Youth Education Endowment

Information Sheet

ESTABLISHED

2008

GOVERNANCE

Governed by Messiah Council (solicitation, investments, and distribution)

PURPOSE

The Messiah Youth Education Endowment was created to provide a perpetual source of capital for youth education programs endorsed by Messiah Lutheran Church

TAX POSITION

Messiah Lutheran Church is a California non-profit organization. Your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law.

DISBURSEMENT

Primary use is for Orange Lutheran High School support, as follows:

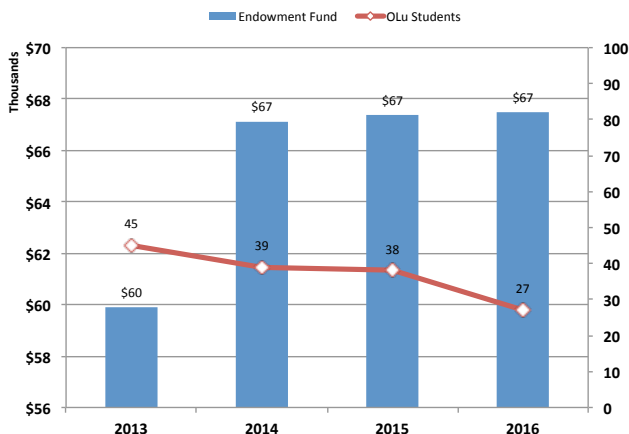
- Reimbursement to Messiah General Fund for membership, association, or quota fees the church has paid to LHSOC
- Donations to LHSOC for capital improvements or financial aid to students

CONDITIONS FOR DISBURSEMENT

Once endowment value exceeds \$100,000, disbursement not to exceed the greater of:

- 5% of endowment value (at beginning of calendar year)
- 70% of net value increase in prior calendar year

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES



For a full statement, visit
www.messiahyl.com/lhsoc