

May Reflection

As May approaches, all of us at OLA begin to think about May crowning, Ring Ceremony, Senior Awards, and, of course, graduation. Each of these activities helps the OLA community ritualize the end of another year, the departure of the seniors, and the transfer of the leadership of the school to the juniors. It is a bittersweet time, as we say "Good-bye" to the Class of 2007 and look ahead to the Class of 2008.

For my reflection this month, I would like to depart from my usual routine and quote a senior. The following is from an essay submitted to Mrs. Burch in Senior Religion in partial fulfillment of the requirements of that course. I think it says LOTS. It certainly is more eloquent than I could be.

"...I have come to learn a lot about what is right and wrong, and it has helped me be able to understand what I am meant to do in my future. I would not be filled with such wisdom if I had not attended OLA. This has been the most beneficial part of my life and I could not have chosen a better institution to have done it with. The teachers have guided me on the path to success and I greatly appreciate that...."

Thank you for helping me have the experience of a lifetime. With this course, and knowledge that I have from this wonderful school, I will go on to accomplish many great things. I have grown so much in these past six year, it is really unbelievable. I will continue to remember what I learned and will most likely tell others about it as well. So everything that OLA is all about will reach out to many people. This institution not only helps the girls that attend the school, but in all reality helps the whole world. One small school does make a gigantic difference." Anna Sharp, 2007

