As we approach the start of the 2025-2026 school year, we would like to share with you the following regarding this year's programs at Ann Arbor Orthodox Classical Academy (A2OCA):

#### Start of the Ecclesiastical and School Year

Join us at St. Vladimir Orthodox Church on Sunday, September 14, 2025, to celebrate Divine Liturgy in commemoration of the first day of the Ecclesiastical year, followed by a Moleben for the first day of our Academy's school year!

The first day of full-time classes this school year is Monday, September 15, 2025, and the first day of classes for Microschooling students is on Wednesday, September 17, 2025. This day is, also, the first day of our Catechism class.

We look forward to welcoming or welcoming back you and your child(ren) to our Academy this school year!

## **Microschooling Preschool Program**

If your child is 3 years old this year, consider enrolling him/her in our tuition-free Microschooling Preschool program! Students of our Preschool program meet on Wednesday afternoons (after participating in Catechism class in the mornings) and Fridays (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.).

The Microschooling Preschool program provides students with a strong introduction into our classical Christian curriculum and a strong basis upon which to engage with their learning in higher grade levels at our Academy. To assist with each child's full learning engagement, a parent of each child is highly encouraged to be present during class time. :)

Kindly note that there is no requirement to register a child into the next grade level upon completion of the Microschooling Preschool program.

If you are interested in more information or enrolling your child(ren) for the first time in this or **any of our other A2OCA programs**, you can find our printable and on-line forms on our Academy website (please only complete and submit **either the printable forms or the on-line forms--not both**): <a href="https://www.a2oca.org/admissions#admissions">https://www.a2oca.org/admissions#admissions</a>

### Open House, Meet & Greet

Join us on Friday, September 12th, 4:00–6:00 p.m., for A2OCA's Open House and Meet & Greet, for families of new and current A2OCA students. Come meet (or re-acquaint yourself with) your instructors and classmates!

## **Catechism Registration for 2025-2026 School Year**

We invite you to register your child(ren) for our Academy's tuition-free Catechism program for the 2025-2026 school year! The program is designed for children between the ages of 2 and 9 years old.

Kindly note that if you intend to register your child(ren) for any one of our Academy's education programs (Full-Time or Homeschooling programs, such as our Microschooling Preschool

Program, as shared above), your child is automatically registered for our Catechism program, so there is no need to submit the following registration form.

For those not intending to register their child(ren) for any of our other Academy programs and are interested in more information on our Catechism program and to register, please view the following form: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-</a>

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Kindly complete the form on or by Monday, September 8, 2025, so as to assist us with lesson planning! And feel free to share this form with any other parents of children ages 2 years old to 9 years old who you think may be interested in registering their child(ren) for our Catechism program!

# **New Start Time for Wednesday Morning Divine Liturgy**

Divine Liturgy service on Wednesdays will begin at 9:00 a.m. to help facilitate parent and student participation! This change has been made at the request of some parents and with Fr. Gregory's blessing. :)

Following Church service, Catechism class will begin at 11:00 and go until 11:55 a.m. Join us on Wednesday mornings throughout the 2025-2026 school year for Church service prior to the start of Catechism class at our Academy!

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