



Lakota (OLC)

Lakota (OLC) Keyboard Layout and Fonts Bundle

VERSION	LANGUAGE CODE	REQUIRES	UPDATED
1.0.0	lkt-US	Windows 10 or later	September 30, 2026

OVERVIEW

This bundle installs the **Lakota (OLC)** keyboard layout together with matching fonts, so you can type Lakota (OLC) in any application on Windows — Word, Outlook, web browsers, and more. The layout keeps the standard QWERTY arrangement, so nothing you already know changes; special characters are added on top of it.

KEYBOARD LAYOUT



Lakota (OLC) layout. Highlighted keys carry special behavior.

■ Trigger (dead) keys ■ Keys that produce a special character

How it works

Press a "lkt" key (` or /) and then press a letter key to produce the special characters.

A trigger key produces nothing on its own — it waits for the next keystroke. Press the trigger, release it, then press the letter. Hold **Shift** with the letter to get the uppercase form.

INSTALLATION

1. Download the installer (.exe) for Lakota (OLC).
2. Double-click the downloaded file to run the installer.
3. Follow the on-screen steps. Windows may ask for administrator permission — allow it.
4. When the installer finishes, **sign out and back in** (or restart). Windows only loads new keyboard layouts after this.

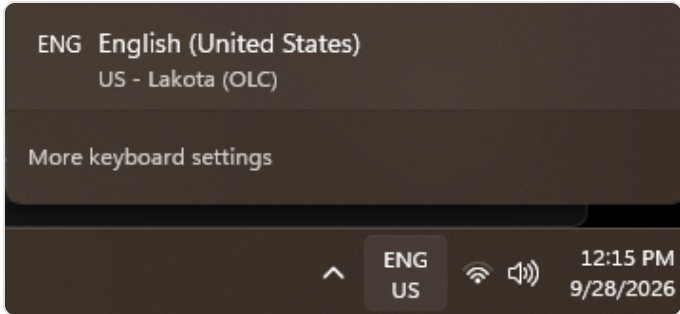
The installer registers the layout for every user account on the computer and installs the bundled fonts to `C:\Windows\Fonts` . It also adds Lakota (OLC) to your list of input languages automatically.

ADDING THE KEYBOARD MANUALLY

If Lakota (OLC) does not appear after signing back in, add it by hand:

1. Open **Settings** → **Time & Language** → **Language & region**.
2. Select your language and click **Options**.
3. Under **Keyboards**, click **Add a keyboard**.
4. Choose **Lakota (OLC)** from the list.

SWITCHING KEYBOARDS



The input switcher on the Windows taskbar.

METHOD	WHAT TO DO
Keyboard shortcut	Press Win + Space to cycle to the next input language/keyboard.
Taskbar	Click the language indicator near the clock (e.g. "ENG") and choose Lakota (OLC) .
On-Screen Keyboard	Open the Windows On-Screen Keyboard to see the live layout while typing.

If Win + Space does nothing, check **Settings** → **Time & Language** → **Language & region** → **Language bar options** to make sure the keyboard shortcut is enabled.

The keyboard is not in the list after installing

Sign out and back in (or restart). Windows reads newly registered keyboard layouts only after this, so a freshly installed layout will not appear until then.

Windows blocks the installer (SmartScreen)

If you see "Windows protected your PC", click **More info** then **Run anyway**. Always download the installer from the official Language Conservancy link.

Trigger key prints a character instead of waiting

Make sure Lakota (OLC) is the active input language — check the taskbar indicator. If the U.S. layout is active, the trigger key behaves as an ordinary key.

Characters show as boxes or question marks

The application is using a font without the required glyphs. Switch to one of the fonts installed with this bundle, or to a broad Unicode font such as Times New Roman, Arial, or Charis SIL. In Microsoft Word, also confirm the document is not in a legacy encoding.

Accents appear in the wrong place or are doubled

Press and release the trigger key first, then press the letter. Holding both keys at once can produce the standalone mark. Turn off any third-party text expander or autocorrect tool that might rewrite input.

Keyboard disappears after a Windows update

Major Windows updates can reset input languages. Re-add the layout using *Adding the Keyboard Manually* above; if it is missing from the list, run the installer again.

Still stuck

Contact [Oglala Lakota College support](#) for help.