



Sacred Heart Catholic School

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Sacred Heart Newsletter – September 16, 2020

“For I know the plans I have for you...to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

September		September	
8-25	Optional STAR Testing	30	Free Dress Day
16	9 AM Rosary 6/7/8 (if open for childcare)		
18	8:15 AM Mass		
	Mandatory Parents Club Meeting TBD		October
		5	Sweatshirt orders due!

Contacting the School: Due to health protocols, if you would like to talk to your student’s teacher, please, email them. When you need to contact the office, please, call or email. Do not call or text the staff on their personal phones during the school day. Our staff does not check their personal phones on a regular basis.

Visitors to school: Due to health protocols put out by the Oregon Department of Education parents must call before coming to school. If a parent is coming to the school to volunteer, they will have their temperature taken and must answer the questions regarding any symptoms or exposure to COVID-19. If you would like to purchase scrip, pay tuition or have any other concerns for the office, please, email or call.

CASE Training: All volunteers who are new to the Archdiocese will have to complete the CASE (Creating a Safe Environment) training before they may volunteer. CASE trainings will be scheduled following the protocols set by the state at a later time. Any returning volunteers will need to complete “Meet Sam” which is an online course. There is a flyer in your Wednesday envelope.

<https://archdpx.org/documents/2020/9/Meet%20Sam%20Flyer%2020-21.pdf>

Sweatshirt Order: A Sacred Heart sweatshirt order forms are attached to this newsletter. If you would like to place an order please turn in the order form with check or cash by Monday, October 5.

Hot Lunch Program: Remember to pack those lunches and snacks! The Hot Lunch program will be moving to Tuesdays but has been postponed until further notice. Please do not send lunch items with your children that will need to be microwaved. (We have one microwave and 54 students, it would take much too long to heat food for students!) Hot Lunch is \$2.00. We will also have milk available every day for \$.25. Milk and Hot Lunch bills will be sent home in the Wednesday envelope the first Wednesday of each month.

Uniforms: Students will need to have their shirts tucked in to their pants during the school day. The exceptions are PE and recess. Afternoons will be a little more relaxed. Uniform shorts are allowed except on Fridays for Mass. Parents are welcome to come and browse through our uniform exchange closet! There are plenty of polo shirts, shorts, pants and Hamilton Plaid items available.

Parent/Student Handbook – School Directory: The 2020-2021 Parent/Student Handbook and Directory will be sent home on Wednesday, September 23. The mandatory Parents Club meeting is TBD.

Box Tops for Education: Remember to scan your receipts to get those box tops! Just add the Box Tops for Education app to your phone and pick Sacred Heart School as your beneficiary! Thank you for supporting our school!

Bottle & Can Drive: Every 1st Friday of the month we collect bottles and cans. This money goes into the Parents Club budget and helps pay for many of the activities of the Parents Club. Just a few items we raise money for are: Teacher Appreciation, Librarian Appreciation, Outdoor School for the 6th Graders, 1st Communion gifts, and Graduation gifts. We use blue BottleDrop bags! If you would like a bag just email the school office and we will hand it to your student as they leave the building. You may either return the bag to us or drop it off at any BottleDrop location!

Beginning of the School Year Reminders:

- School/Childcare hours are 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. (When an occasional early dismissal is scheduled, we will let you know.) If you are doing the in-person instruction only, please, pick up your child at 11:30 AM.
- Sign-up sheets for school events and for P.E.A.C.E. point opportunities are in a notebook in the school office. If you have not yet signed up, or would like to sign up for additional volunteer opportunities, please stop by and add your name. (Sign-up sheets will be available at the Mandatory Parents Club Meeting.) A list of volunteer opportunities is on the school website pages 37 and 38 of the Parent Handbook. **Volunteering and Peace Points will look different this year. We are in a wait and see mode on many of our activities. We will do our best to keep you up to date.**
<https://d2y1pz2y630308.cloudfront.net/17893/documents/2019/9/2019-2020%20Parent%20Student%20Handbook2656.pdf>
- As we do every year at this time we would like to remind all school volunteers that they must have a current background check with the Archdiocese. These background checks are valid for three years and must be renewed after the three years. **The cost for processing the background check is \$15.00.** Each new volunteer will also need to participate in the Armataus training this year, “Meet Sam”. Or, if you are getting a background check for the first time, you will need to participate in the CASE training and then read the Code of Conduct on-line.
- Whenever a child has any kind of medication – including over-the-counter medications, Chapstick, and cough drops – we must have a Medication Authorization form filled out and on file in the school office. According to Archdiocesan policy, it is not sufficient to send a note in with your child, and medication must be in its original container.
- Please make sure to return the Wednesday Envelope, we re-use them! **The Wednesday Newsletter will be sent out by email unless you request to have a paper copy. If you would like a paper copy, stop by the office and let Mrs. Schnurbusch know or email Mrs. Schnurbusch at shssecretary@shstl.org.**

Nondiscrimination Policy: The Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Portland admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available at all schools. They do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of their educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.

Sacred Heart Catholic School, a mission of Sacred Heart-St. Louis Parish, forms children in knowledge, virtue and the spiritual life in a safe and positive educational environment that they may develop into disciples of Jesus Christ.

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