



Weekly News for the Week of November 2, 2020

This Week at SMS

Monday, November 2nd

- Winter Uniform Policy in effect
- Mock Presidential Election
- Evening Virtual Parent Conferences

Tuesday, November 3rd

- **No School for Students:** Virtual Parent Conferences, 8am - 3pm

Wednesday, November 4th

Thursday, November 5th

Friday, November 6th

Upcoming Events

- 11/8: Dining for Dollars 110 Grill 11:30am -9pm
- 11/9 : School Photos Absentee Day and Retakes
- 11/11: Veteran's Day—No School for Students
- 11/12: Faculty Meeting
- 11/13: Project Based Learning Grades 7 and 8
- 11/24: Thanksgiving Prayer Services by cohort
- 11/25 -11/29: Thanksgiving Break

Parent Conferences at Saint Mary School

Our teachers have been gathering their thoughts in order to have a meaningful and productive discussion with you during Parent Conferences this week. Please recognize that this is the first time we have tried a Zoom format for conferences. We respectfully ask that you be on time for your scheduled conference and be mindful of the 15-minute time frame. If you need further time to talk with a teacher, do not extend your session, but instead email the teacher to set up an additional time to talk. **Check your email for your Parent Conference Zoom links that were emailed this morning.** Thank you in advance.



O'Connor Studios will be returning on Monday, November 9th for students who were absent on portrait day or for those students who need their portrait package retaken. Call the office if you need an extra form. If you are having photos retaken, return your original package to the photographer on retake day.

HALLOWEEN AT SAINT MARY SCHOOL

Although we missed our annual Halloween Parade with its costumes and parties, the students were still able to enjoy some Halloween traditions while observing Covid protocols. Colorful orange and black clothing was on display, and for the first time masks were not only allowed, they were required! The children were appreciative of the special candy treat that was distributed at lunch.



Dear Saint Mary School Parents,

A friendly reminder that in this time of global pandemic we are closely following the public health protocols to protect our students and their families, as well as the wider community. As in previous years, children with vomiting or diarrhea in the last 24 hours should stay home. Children with fever should not be in school. *New this year: children with cough and sore throat should not come to school.* Also new this year: we are requiring children to get tested for Covid-19 whenever they exhibit symptoms suggestive of Covid-19 *even in the absence of fever.* Children with Covid-19 usually have mild symptoms, almost indistinguishable from the common cold, thus the low threshold for testing. Thank you very much for your continued cooperation. We are working together to keep our community strong and healthy. Let's keep praying for an end to the pandemic.

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