

ASCENSION CATHOLIC SCHOOL E-NEWS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2020

OUR FIRST GRADERS KNOW - THERE'S NOTHING BETTER THAN A GOOD BOOK!



ORIGINAL WORKS ART FUNDRAISER

Watch for more information coming soon about this fundraiser. The students will create art projects in art class and you can purchase novelty items with their art on them!



RAINY DAY DISMISSAL

We had our first rainy day dismissal of the school year! Thank you for your patience! When lightning or heavy rains in our area require us to have a rainy day dismissal, parents will be notified via text as soon as we make the decision. The students exit from 3 doors during rainy day dismissal. PK-K students and their siblings use the cafeteria door. Grades 1-3 and their siblings use the art room door. Grades 4-8 (with no younger siblings) use the doors near the office.



IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT OUR ILLNESS AND RETURNING TO SCHOOL (AFTER AN ABSENCE) POLICIES FOR THIS SCHOOL YEAR



Please take a moment and read the Parent Reference Guide below. This guide from the Diocese of Orlando clearly outlines the policy for students who are ill - when they should remain home and when they can return to school. Please pay particular attention to column 3 which says that students who complain of ANY of the following symptoms cannot come to school:

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| Fever | Headache | Nausea | Shortness of Breath |
| Chills | Sore Throat | Vomiting | Difficulty Breathing |
| Body Aches | Congestion | Diarrhea | New Cough |
| | | | New loss of taste/smell |

If your child complains of ANY ONE of these symptoms during the school day, we must send them home. They will not be able to return to school until they have a medical doctor's note clearing them to return OR a negative Covid test.

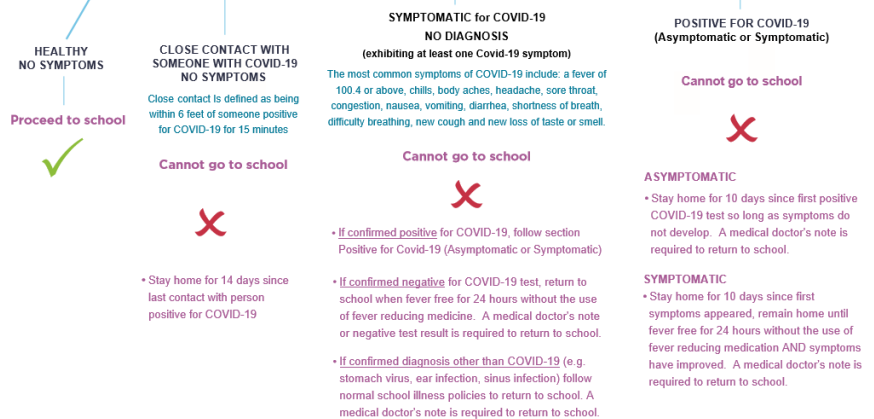
Please communicate with your children that our clinic policies are very strict this year. If a student comes to the clinic complaining of any of these symptoms, we must follow the Diocesan rules. We realize that most symptoms will not turn out to be Covid-19, but we appreciate your support in helping us keep our entire community of students and staff healthy. If you have any questions, please call the office. Thank you!



Diocese of Orlando
Office of Catholic Schools

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COVID-19 Parent Reference Guide



NOTE: In the event a school has a positive case of COVID-19, staff members and parents of those individuals exposed will be notified as soon as possible. The school will consult with the Diocese of Orlando and the local health department for guidance and directives. The nature of the circumstance will determine if a school closure is necessary and the length of closure; each situation is unique and will be addressed accordingly.

BENZIGER FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM
See important info on Page 3.

VERY IMPORTANT DATES:

- October 2: Diocesan Data Day, no school for students

Ascension Catholic School, founded by the Sisters of Mercy and rooted in the charism of Compassion, is a community of Companions on the Journey. We strive to foster the growth of each unique child by living the gospel values, achieving academic excellence, and serving our global family.

You're invited!

ROBOT Building Party



Bring a friend, make new ones,
and build a **ROBOT** with
GIRL SCOUTS—it's all **FREE!**

September 21, 2020

5:00p - 5:45p

Girls of all ages are invited to join us for a robot building party!

Get more information and RSVP at citrus-gs.org or
call Customer Care at 407-896-4475.

www.citrus-gs.org/join



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ADMITS YOU + A FRIEND!
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Dear Parents:

Our Bishop John Noonan and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) in compliance with the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People have mandated that we include the Benziger Family Life Program. This is a child abuse awareness, prevention and safety program. Our Diocese is required, through an audit process, to verify to the USCCB that this training has been provided. We are also required to keep track of the number of students who are absent or whose parents do not allow them to participate in the training.

A Parent Connection booklet, that describes what is included in the program for your child, will be sent home prior to presentation of the materials. If you have any concerns after reviewing this, please call me and I will make arrangements for you to review the student booklet. If you choose not to allow your student to participate in the training, please contact me or your child's teacher as soon as possible so we can make arrangements for your child to leave the class during the times this program is taught. You *do not have to sign a permission form for your child to participate, however, if you decide you do not want your child to participate in the Benziger Family Life Program, you must sign an Opt Out form, available through the Guidance Office.*

Sincerely,

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