

St. Stanislaus Catholic School Newsletter



Principal Note

Dear Parents

It's so exciting to be back at school. We kicked off the school year celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Czestochowa!

Don't forget to join us after Mass on Sunday for our annual tailgate cookout! We will be enjoying a grilled hotdog lunch. We are planning on this taking place in the EAST LAWN, but the weather might have us inside!

Thank you so much for the awesome support of St. Stanislaus School. We have raised enough funds for the matching Catholic Extension grant of our new roof and flashing. This was a wonderful combined effort of our parishioners and school families! We can not say thank you enough for making this happen!

Blessings, Shannon Murphy

Welcome

This is the first of our weekly newsletters. This letter will be emailed on Wednesdays, with today being an exception. The newsletter contains important information for you and your children. Please be sure to read it and go over any necessary information with your children. If you would like an announcement placed in the newsletter, simply email me at fifelski@st-stans.net. Please have all announcements to me no later than 9am on Wednesdays. Feel free to call the office with any questions you may have. Thank you and have a great year!

Lunch Time

We have 3 microwaves available for the students to use during lunch. Milk is also available for purchase. (.25 cents each and will be billed to you the following month). Please remember to include in your child's lunch bag, forks, spoons & napkins. We are unable to supply these items. Please cook all macaroni & cheese, etc. lunches, so that food only need to be reheated.

Pizza Lunch

CD's Pizza Lunch will return on Wednesdays again beginning next week! Each Wednesday we offer a slice of pizza, applesauce & a cookie for \$2. Additional slices may be ordered at \$1 each.

Protecting God's Children

St. Stanislaus School is always in need of volunteers to help out with various activities. (Field trips, dance chaperones, playground volunteers, **classroom volunteers, coaches, etc.**) **Only those who have complied with the required elements of the Protecting God's Children program will be permitted to help or attend these events.**

Go to www.virtus.org Click on the first time registrant and follow the directions. At this time, we are still not having in-person training sessions.

Go to www.virtus.org to create an account, where you will select "first-time registrant".

1. Select the first option "begin the registration process".
2. Select the Diocese of Kalamazoo as a location from the drop down menu.
3. Set up a username and password for an account.

Email mhentz@diokzoo.org for the instructions to complete the online training module

Alert System

We will have a TEST of our Alert System next Tuesday, September 7th at approximately 11am. You will not need to do anything, unless you do not receive the alert, then please let us know so we can figure out where the problem is. Please do not reply back to the Parent Alert text message with Stop. If you do this, you will no longer receive texts from our Alert System. If you have done this, you can text Start to 22383, and texts will resume. This alert system is used to inform our families of fog delays, snow days or any other emergency information. We encourage each family to login to FACTS and update ALL your information, including doctor names and phone numbers, as well as other important medical information, work numbers, who may pick up your child(ren) from school, your preference for how you would like to receive alerts, etc. FACTS is our information source when the need arises, so it is very important that we have all necessary information in case of an emergency.

Tuition Assistance

Tuition Assistance forms are attached. If you would like a hard copy sent home, please let us know. All forms are due in the office by September 24th.

Sport Physicals

Students who play sports at St. Stanislaus School need to have a sports physical. Physicals must be dated after April 15, 2021 for the 2021—2022 sports season. These forms are available from your doctor's office or at [hpsvikings.org](https://www.hpsvikings.org) under the Athletics tab—files and links.

Color Days (or Uniform Holidays as stated in Handbook).

The first Friday of every month is designated as a color day. This means our K—8th grade students may wear non-uniform clothes to school, however, there is a price. We charge each student in Kindergarten through 6th grade .25 cents. The money raised from our color days go to our mission, the Ark, at the Diocese of Kalamazoo. The 7th & 8th grades are ask to bring in \$1. This money goes to fund their sponsor child. Occasionally, other special days are designated uniform holidays. These will be noted on the monthly calendar.

On uniform holidays, students are to wear clean clothes in good repair and in good taste. No ripped jeans. The following lists articles of clothing that do not conform to school policy: items which expose body parts, shirts with reference to drugs, tobacco, sex, or alcohol and other articles of clothing which interfere with any student's ability to concentrate or study. No shirts with spaghetti straps or tank tops will be allowed. No Make-up. No leggings; unless worn with skirt over top. These items are in violation of this policy.

Sleeveless shirts and shorts of an appropriate length (no shorter than two inches above the knee) are included as an option as long as they meet the above standards. Hats may be worn outside only. Sandals are permitted but it is expected that students will have tennis shoes for recess. The school administrator shall be the judge on any style of dress that is questionable.

Students who wear inappropriate clothing on uniform holidays will be issued clean, used uniforms from our uniform stock or parents will be called and asked to bring in appropriate clothing.

Theme Days—This year they will be called *LOVE* Days

On designated *LOVE* days, students need to wear their *LOVE* shirt. This is the shirt that is provided to each student, including pre-school. They can also wear regular non-uniform pants. Long sleeve shirts may be worn underneath the *LOVE* shirts; however, only school uniform sweatshirts can be worn. No donation to our mission is needed. Please see the monthly calendars and watch the newsletter for these special days!

Field Trips

We use electronic field trip forms from Google Forms for all of field trips. You will receive an email with the form when your child's class will be taking a field trip. These forms are filled out and then submitted online.

With our small class sizes we usually ask for parent volunteer drivers. You must have a current Volunteer Driver Information Sheet on file in the office and be VIRTUS trained to be able to drive/chaperone.

Things to Come

Be sure to check the yearly Family calendar on our School Website (st-stans.net) often for upcoming events, days off, etc.

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TRIP News

Welcome to another school year! Every week in the newsletter, we will publish upcoming bonus rebates, special events and program changes. We will also include tips and tricks that you may not be aware of with our program.

TRIP is a wonderful way to reduce your tuition by just buying things you normally would with our gift cards. We purchase gift cards at a discount. You purchase the gift cards from us at face value and the difference gets credited to your tuition account less fees. We have information on the program on the school's website. If you have specific questions on the program, we will have a table set up at the tailgate kick-off this Sunday.

Our first quarter earnings were credited to the tuition accounts this month. Statements will be sent home with your student or included with your next order. Our next payout will be in November.

Due to the Labor Day holiday, that week's order due date will be Tuesday at 8:00 AM and will be ready on Thursday. The following week, we will return to our normal schedule with orders due by 8:00 AM on Mondays. Orders are usually ready on Wednesdays. We also have our cash/check-and-carry file available during regular school office hours. Contact Lori as to what is available, and she will be happy to assist you!

Product bonuses from 8/28 until 9/3: Dave & Buster's 13 +3%.

Product updates: Jo-Ann Fabrics now offers e-cards, starting at \$15 with a 6% rebate.

As always, if you have any questions, or would like to enroll in our TRIP program, contact Anita Lincoln at kevandta@aol.com or (616) 260-8588, or Allison Vogt (616) 299-7769. We are here to help!

Your TRIP coordinators, Anita and Allison

Uniform Exchange

We will be having a table of gently used uniforms at the Tailgate Kickoff. This table will be free used uniforms for anyone who would like them. If you have any gently used uniforms your kids have outgrown, you can send them to school. Please have them here by this Friday, August 27th.



Ongoing Fundraiser's

No more clipping. No more sending Box Tops to school. All you need is your phone. Download the ALL-NEW Box Tops app, shop as you normally would, then simply scan your store receipts to find participating products.



The app will automatically credit your school's Box Tops earnings online.
Twice a year, our school will receive a check! Download the App Today!
Please see the attached flyer for more information.

The PaperGator® is a unique fundraiser where St. Stanislaus School is paid to collect paper products and place them in a bin for recycling.

Being good stewards of our resources is a great reason by itself, but in this case St. Stanislaus School earns funds for recycling!

What can go in the bins?

- * Newspaper
- * Catalogs/Magazines
- * Junk Mail
- * Phone Books
- * Office/School paper
- * Hard and soft cover books
- * Notebooks
- * Workbooks

What can't go in the bins?

- * Plastic
- * Metal
- * Trash
- * Glass
- * Cardboard
- * Paperboard (Grocery Item boxes)



AmazonSmile is a website that is operated by the AmazonSmile Foundation to help support charitable organizations. You can designate one of a million different charities to receive 0.5% of your eligible purchases. The St. Stanislaus School Trust Fund is now one of those organizations!

Log into smile.amazon.com with your same account information as amazon.com. Once you select the St. Stanislaus School Trust Fund as your charity, you will start earning on all eligible purchases. All items that are available on amazon.com are on available on smile.amazon.com. All eligible items are marked as such in their information section. The prices are the same. Payouts are quarterly, direct to the charity. Your account will keep track of how much you have earned for your charity. Please consider designating the **St. Stanislaus School Trust Fund** as your charity. All earnings from the Trust Fund go directly to the school's general fund.

The 7th & 8th grade class have a bin located on the west side of the kitchen for donations of cans & bottles. This bin is accessible 24/7! Thank you in advance for your donations. You can also donate by using Sipzee!



Thank you for your support!