

September 13, 2019

Dear ASA Parents and Guardians,

Service Hours

All ASA students are expected to perform service hours to demonstrate their love for neighbor by serving others. Service is one of ASA's core values, and is a part of life, both outside and within school. If you haven't already read this week's ASA Today blog post about service, please take a moment to do so. [ASA Service Hour Guidelines can be found here](#). Students can either log their service hours using the [paper form](#), or the [online form](#).

Have You Set Up Your Canvas Account and Paired With Your Child?

Teachers in grades K-8 use Canvas in place of a weekly newsletter to keep parents informed about classroom news. Canvas also allows parents to see all the pertinent information about assignments, and your child's homework calendar, as well as making it so easy to contact the teacher. If you have not already received a pairing code from your child's teacher, please contact Karen Szczytko (kszczytko@asagr.org) to receive one.

1. You can set up your account by visiting asagr.org, and clicking on the **Canvas Login** button.
2. Select Login for Parents and Guardians.
3. Once on the Canvas login page, if you need to set up a new account, select **Click Here for an Account**.
4. Follow the prompts on this page to set up your account. The last field will ask you for your child's pairing code.
5. When Canvas opens, you will see your child's classes, containing teacher and assignment information.

If you prefer to use the Android or iOS app, please note that not all features are available in the app. A web browser will give you the most access. You can access the web browser from your mobile device and save the Canvas link to your homepage for easier access. Full information about Canvas is available on our website, on the [Academic Links page](#) of the website.

Picture Day Sept 19 Reminder

Picture Day will be at both the elementary and middle school campuses on Thursday, September 19. This is also a dress up day. School portrait order forms will be sent home with students today. Contact the school office if you need more. Students must bring their order forms with them on Picture Day.

Preschool families, if Thursday is not a regular day for your child, you may still bring in your preschooler for pictures at 11:30 am - 12 pm OR they can have photos taken on retake day (Wednesday, November 13th).

Please note that if you plan to order a yearbook for your student(s), you do so at this time. Students will not automatically receive a yearbook. If a yearbook isn't included in your selected photo package, you can purchase it individually.

All Parents are Invited to Home and School Meetings

Please come to the next Home & School meeting Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 pm in the Middle School library. All parents are invited and welcome!

ASA Dining to Donate at Chuck E Cheese

Join us for our first Dining to Donate event at Chuck E. Cheese! The restaurant will donate up to 20% of the sales to ASA! All you need to do is tell the cashier you are with All Saints Academy (or [show this flyer](#)) and have fun! Share the flyer with your friends and family too! Chuck E. Cheese on Alpine Ave. NW, Thursday, Sept. 19, 3-9 pm. See you there!

Winter Sports Registrations Due October 4

Winter sports registrations are now open! We will be offering the following:

- Winter I: (Oct-Dec) Boys Basketball, Girls Competitive Cheer
- Winter II: (Jan-March): Girls Basketball, Boys Wrestling

All registrations must be submitted by using [the online form found here no later than Friday, October 4](#). Please remember your child must have a valid sports physical and consent form on file in the school office prior to any participation in practices or games. A valid sports physical is one that has been completed after April 15, 2019. [The sports physical forms can be found here](#).

Catholic Middle Schools Jazz Band

Jazz Band (Grades 6-8) will meet for the first time this fall at All Saints Academy on Wednesday, September 18.

- We will meet weekly on Wednesdays, beginning immediately after school, until 4:25.
- All instruments are welcome to play in our jazz band.
- Jazz Band is open to 6th, 7th, or 8th grade band, at any Catholic middle school who have at least one year of playing experience.
- The fee is \$35 for September through December. Please make checks payable to All Saints Academy. A second fee of \$35 covers January through May.
- Students coming from other schools may come to rehearsal a bit late. This is fine. Please come and join us as soon as you are able.
- I am very flexible with attendance at Jazz Band. Please come when you can. If you miss a few days or have to leave early, that is completely fine.
- Parents, please plan on picking your child up behind the middle school at the Thaddeus Center.

If there are any questions, please contact Mr. Palmieri at ex 1126, or mpalmieri@asagr.org.

Blessed Sacrament Kids' Choirs - All Are Welcome!

The Blessed Sacrament Children's, and Honor choirs will hold their first practice Tuesday, Sept. 24. The Children's choir is open to all Kindergartens-4th graders, and the Honor choir is open to 5th-8th graders. Children's Choir and Honor Choir meet in the Church multi-purpose room every Tuesday evening. Children's choir will practice from 6:20-6:50 and Honor choir will practice from 6:50-7:20. Both choirs sing at a different 9:00am Sunday Mass each month, and combine occasionally. We practice weekly and will end the year with a pizza and bowling party. It's a great way for your kids to be involved in the Church and we welcome all young singers! Please call Katie Jandernoa (460-8835) with any questions.

Stretch Your Bridge Card Food Dollars

If you have a Bridge card, or know someone who does, learn how to stretch your food dollars with your Bridge card in these informational flyers:

- [Double Up Food Bucks and Farmer's Markets](#)
- [Community Farmer's Markets Accepting Bridge Cards](#)
- [Farmers Accepting Bridge Cards at Their Farm Markets](#)

What's the Right Age To Give My Kid a Social Media Account?

This is a great question that parents of elementary and middle school students often have. Age is important (the law says age 13 is the minimum!), but what other factors should parents consider? [This blog post from Protect Young Eyes answers these questions and many others.](#) Are you a parent who is concerned about internet safety? Then don't miss this post.

Snapchat & Teen Vogue Give Abortion Tips to Teens. Here Are the Very Best Ways to Control Discover News

Snapchat Discover News has a history of allowing third parties to publish a wide-range of content. If you would like to have more control over what appears in your child's Snapchat news feed, [take a look at this blog post from Protect Young Eyes.](#)

Please follow ASA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

Upcoming Dates

Sunday, Sept 15

7:00-10:00 am 8th Grade Volunteers for Bridge Run

Monday, Sept 16

MAP Testing: 12:30-1:30 pm Grade 3 Language Usage

MAP Testing: 1:45-2:45 pm Grade 2 Language Usage

Tuesday, Sept 17

MAP Testing: 8:15-9:00 am Grade 6 Language Usage

MAP Testing: 9:00-9:45 am Grade 4 Language Usage

MAP Testing: 9:00-10:00 am Grade 7B Language Usage

MAP Testing: 1:15-2:15 pm Grade 7A Language Usage

MAP Testing: 2:00-3:00 pm Grade 5 Language Usage

6:30 pm Home and School Meeting, MS Holy Family Learning Center

Wednesday, Sept 18

MAP Testing: 8:15-9:00 am Grade 6 Language Usage

MAP Testing: 9:00-9:45 am Grade 4 Language Usage

MAP Testing: 9:00-10:00 am Grade 7B Language Usage

10:30 am Elementary (K-3) Mass, Blessed Sacrament Church

MAP Testing: 1:15-2:15 pm Grade 7A Language Usage

MAP Testing: 2:00-3:00 pm Grade 5 Language Usage
3:30-4:25 pm MS Jazz Band, Thaddeus Center

Thursday, Sept 19

8:00 am-1:00 pm Elementary Picture Day - Dress Up Day
8:30 am Middle School Mass, St. Jude Church
9:30am-2:00 pm Middle School Picture Day - Dress Up Day
MAP Testing: 12:30-1:15 pm Grade 7B Math
MAP Testing: 2:00-3:00 pm 8th Grade Math
3:00-9:00 pm Chuck E Cheese Dine to Donate, Alpine Ave

Friday, Sept 20

Spirit Day
MAP Testing: 9:15-10:15 am Grade 4 Math
MAP Testing: 11:00-11:30 am Grade 7A Science
MAP Testing: 1:15-2:00 pm Grade 8 Science
MAP Testing: 1:45-2:15 pm Grade 7B Science
MAP Testing: 2:15-3:00 pm Grade 6 Science

Monday, Sept 23

MAP Testing: 8:15-9:15 am Grade 7A Math
MAP Testing: 9:30-10:15 am Grade 5 Math
MAP Testing: 1:15-2:00 pm Grade 6 Math
MAP Testing: 2:00-2:45 Grade 4 Science

Tuesday, Sept 24

MAP Testing: 8:15-9:15 am Grade 7 Math
8:15 am - 2:30 pm Grade 3 Field Trip to Lansing, MI Capitol and Historical Museum
MAP Testing: 9:30-10:15 am Grade 5 Math
MAP Testing: 9:30-10:15 AM Grade 4 Math
MAP Testing: 10:00-11:00 am Grade 2 Reading
MAP Testing: 12:30-1:15 pm Grade 7 Math
MAP Testing: 1:30-2:15 pm Grade 6 Math

Wednesday, Sept 25

Deadline for Solo and Ensemble All State Registration
MAP Testing: 8:30-9:30 am Grade 3 Reading
10:30 am Elementary (K-3) Mass, Blessed Sacrament Church
3:30-4:25 pm Jazz Band, Thaddeus Center

Thursday, Sept 26

8:30 am Middle School Mass, St. Jude Church
6:30 pm 7th Grade Parent Theology of the Body Meeting, Rm. N5

Friday, Sept 27

Color Day

God Bless,

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