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# Newsletter

May 4, 2023



## *Principally Speaking*

This week we completed our MAP Reading Assessments! The students worked very hard to increase their scores. Next week we will be sending home results. If the students meet our goals for improvement from the beginning of the year I promised them that we would celebrate with an **OUT OF UNIFORM DAY!**

Next Wednesday is an all school field trip to the zoo! It will be a fun day for all- remember to pack your child's lunch that day as we will not be serving lunches here.

Thank you for blessing us with your child(ren) each day. Team Eagle!

Mrs. Long  
Principal

## ***St. Lawrence Athletics...***

Coordinators for Sports:

Volleyball - Carmella Caine

Soccer - Jen Huiet and Ben Hornback

Boys Basketball - Noah Hornback (513-490-4208)

Girls Basketball - Chris Caine (513-276-6681)

Softball/Baseball - Scott Priestly (513-374-2240)

Follow the St. Lawrence Athletic Association on Facebook!

## ***The Leader In Me...***

**May**

**Habit 8:** Find Your Voice and Inspire Others to Find Theirs is the habit of using what you do well to help others. When you use your strengths and talents to help others, you find your voice. This habit gives us the mindset of: I have found something that I am good at and really like doing. I am proud but do not boast. Instead, I use my expertise to help and inspire others.

## **Habits at Home**

Examples of how you can practice Habit 8 at home:

- 1) Try something new like painting, horseback riding, or baseball. Then ask yourself: Did I enjoy myself? Was it easy or hard? Do I want to learn more?
- 2) Go to the library or search the internet to find reading material on new things. What kinds of things spark your interest? What do you want to continue learning about?
- 3) Plan some time to help someone in need. How did the experience make you feel?

**Dennise Macedo's new cell phone number is 513-391-0860. She is only in the office 8:00-10:30am and 12:00-2:30pm. \*\*\*she is NOT available between 10:30am-12:00pm\***

**April Students Nominated by their teacher for showing the traits of Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw**

Da'Mya Byrd, Angely Ramos Gabriel, Keidy Tomas Vasquez



**Saint of the Month Awards** - April Saint of the month is St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the saint of faithfulness. The following students were nominated by their teachers - Very Chun Ramirez, Aaron Diaz Mejia, Dashly Santizo Soto, Kalila Lopez Rivera, Luis Diaz Ramirez, Jeyson Tomas Mateo, Santiago Roblero Roblero, Anthony Velasquez, Jasiree Marshall, Gilberto Perez Perez, Joshua Vasquez Domingo, Emili Perez Vasquez, Dayli Nolasco Bernardo, Tristan O'Neal, Jefferson Mendez Vasquez, Emmanuel Hollstegge





DO NOT FORGET THAT ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL, MAY 26TH WE DISMISS AT 10:00AM. THERE WILL BE NO BUS SERVICE HOME. STUDENTS MUST BE PICKED UP.



### **School Of Faith**

St. Lawrence is implementing the School of Faith model as another dimension of our Catholic identity. This means that we as a school, staff and students strive to demonstrate our faith and belief in God as a Catholic school and community. Our staff is engaging in a guided study of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We are communally studying and praying with each other using the Bible. We want to challenge our school families to actively engage in living our Catholic faith and Christian identity.

In the Rite of Baptism parents are reminded that when they ask to have their child baptized they are accepting the responsibility of training the child in the practice of the faith. Parents are reminded that it is their duty to bring the child up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. The lives of the parents and godparents are to be examples of faith to inspire the child. They must make it their constant care to bring the child up in the practice of the faith.

What does it mean to raise a child in the practice of faith? How do we practice our faith? What are the basic expectations that the Catholic Church has for its members in practicing the faith? In what ways does a family share and demonstrate faith? One way is to worship together. Bringing our children to church with us teaches them the value of worship. Hold little ones on your lap and whisper in their ear at the time of the Consecration when the Eucharist is becoming the body, blood, soul and divinity of Christ and Father elevates the Host, "That is Jesus." After mass, have your child tell you what the Gospel was about or what was said in the homily. Make worshiping together a time of warmth and connectedness. Another way is to pray together, say grace before meals, pray together before bed. Let your love for each other be seen. Put your family first, be a sign and a witness.

### **News From the Office...**

**2023-24 REGISTRATION** - Registration is open for EXISTING FAMILIES to RE\_REGISTER starting January 30, 2023. IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED REGISTERED FOR THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR, the school office will need to have the completed re-registration form and the registration fee of \$100 per student (not to exceed \$300 Per family). DO NOT SEND THE FORM WITHOUT THE FEE. IT WILL JUST BE RETURNED TO YOUR CHILD!

GET THOSE EDCHOICE RENEWAL FORMS AND PROOF OF ADDRESS IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!

REGISTRATION IS OPEN TO NEW FAMILIES/STUDENTS SINCE WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023.

### **Spiritwear!**

We now have beanie's and bucket hats available for sale in our Spirit Store!! We have a limited supply of each so it is first come first serve. Here are our hats modeled by our very own Alejandro Ventura Puac:



**Yearbook** - We have 2021-22 Yearbooks for sale!!! They are in the school office to purchase for \$20. We still have several 2020-21 school year yearbooks available for sale- \$5. If you would like to purchase one, they are in the office.

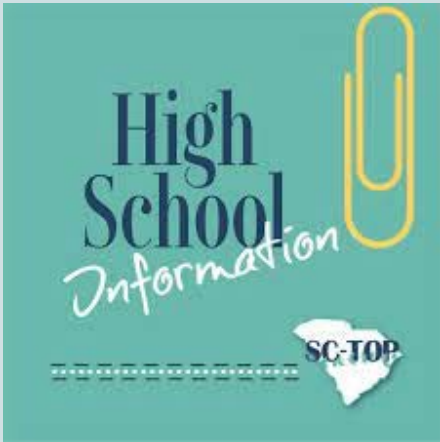
**Dresscode** - ABSOLUTELY NO HOODIES ARE ALLOWED TO BE WORN DURING CLASS TIME!!! AND NO BLANKETS ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO SCHOOL!!

Sweaters/sweatshirts that are allowed to be worn during class time are the crew neck (no hoodie) in gray, red, yellow or black.

**New Tardy Policy** - This is a reminder that the new Policy for Tardies goes into effect **Jan 3, 2023** . Students are considered tardy if they are not in their homeroom by 8:00am. If a student arrives at school after 8:00am, they are to report to the office.

For the purpose of reporting attendance to the State of Ohio for EdChoice, every 3 unexcused tardies will count as an unexcused absence for ALL students.

- a. Students are marked "tardy - excused" if they have a written note from a parent/legal guardian explaining the reason for the tardiness WITH a valid excuse such as a doctor or dentist note. If your child rides the bus and the bus causes them to be tardy, the tardy will also be excused with no need for a note.
- b. Students are marked "tardy - unexcused" when there is no valid excuse for being late. Oversleeping, running late, car trouble, or parent/guardian appointments are NOT valid excuses.



**Seton HS** - Find Your Light at Seton Summer Camps! With a wide variety of special interest and athletic camps, there is sure to be something for everyone! Camps are available for incoming 1st-9th graders and registration is open online at [www.setoncincinnati.org](http://www.setoncincinnati.org) . Space is limited in some camps, so get your friends together and sign up today!



**Join our mailing lists**

Join our mailing list, Future Saints! If you do not currently receive Seton communications and would like to be added to our mailing list, please visit <https://www.setoncincinnati.org/admissions/join-our-mailing-list/> to add your information today!

## **Mercy McAuley Summer Camp Registration is NOW OPEN!**

Registration for Mercy McAuley High School's Summer Sports and Enrichment Camps is now open! Visit [www.mercymcauley.org/camps](http://www.mercymcauley.org/camps) for camp details and to register. Space is limited, so register today!

Sports Camps: Basketball, Cross Country, Lacrosse, Soccer, Tennis, Volleyball

Enrichment Camps: Art/Ceramic Gnomes & Fairy House Workshop; Art/Pinhole Photography Workshop; Art/Summer Drawing; Babysitting; Cookie & Cupcake Creations; High School Placement Test (HSPT) Prep; Musical Theatre: 101 Dalmations; Musical Theatre: Disney's Frozen Jr.; Service.

**St. Ursula** - Register at [www.saintursula.org/summercamps.aspx](http://www.saintursula.org/summercamps.aspx)

**Ursuline** - sign up for Girls' Night at SUA on May 5. This fun event for 6th and 7th-grade girls includes DIY crafts, t-shirt designs, games, prizes, and dinner! Register at <https://saintursulaevents.com/girls-night/>. Parents are invited to an optional information session during the event.

Mother and Daughter Paint Night

Thursday, May 11 from 5:45 to 8:00 pm

All 6th and 7th grade girls and their Moms (or Mother figures) are invited to join us at Ursuline for a painting night just in time for Mother's Day!

One of our beloved Art Teachers, Ms. Kara Sheldon will be teaching you how to paint your own flowers in a vase using painting techniques and paper collages.

Join us for snacks before and come prepared to paint!

One canvas for each student, as this will be a project Mom and Daughter work on together!

Register at [www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions/admissions-events](http://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions/admissions-events)

Ursuline Academy Summer Camps

Ursuline is excited to offer a variety of athletics and special interest camps this summer. Check out the complete schedule, with details, prices, and registration at

[ursulineacademy.org/summer](http://ursulineacademy.org/summer)

Special Interest Camps:

Week of June 5 - 9

Exploring Fairytales Camp (rising 1st - 3rd grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Creative Writing Camp (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Camp CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Step into STEM Camp (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Camp Escape Room (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Week of June 12 - 16

Laurel Lego Camp (rising 1st - 4th grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Photography Camp (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Robotics Camp (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Week of June 19 - 23

Future Lions Camp (rising 1st - 5th grade girls) - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - This camp is FULL - waitlist open

Vocal Vacation Camp (vocal music) (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Instrumental Immersion Camp (instrumental music) (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Week of June 26 - 30

Go Go Lions Camp (rising 1st - 3rd grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am

Lion's Paw Productions (theatre) - (rising 6th - 9th grade girls and boys) - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Taste of France: French Cooking and Language (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 9:00 - 11:00 am or 1:00 - 3:00 pm (same program for morning and afternoon session)

Craft your heART out! (rising 6th - 8th grade girls) - 12:00 - 3:00 pm

\*\*Campers attending a morning and afternoon camp may bring a packed lunch and stay between the camp times for supervised free time in Ursuline's cafeteria (no charge).

\*\*Campers can 'extend their day' for early drop off or late pick up (depending on camp time) for supervised free time at UA with provided games, crafts, and activities.

Morning extend your day:

For 8:30am start time camps - drop off beginning at 7:30am (\$10 per day)

For 9:00am start time camps - drop off beginning at 7:30am (\$15 per day)

Afternoon extend your day:

For 3:00pm end time camps - pick up no later than 5:00pm (\$20 per day)

For more information contact Assistant Admissions Director Mary Claire Simpson at [msimpson@ursulineacademy.org](mailto:msimpson@ursulineacademy.org)

**Athletic Camps:**

Basketball Camp (rising) 4th-6th graders - June 5-8, 11:00-1:00

Basketball Camp (rising) 7th-9th graders - June 12-15, 11:00-1:00

Dance Camp (rising) 4th-9th graders - July 24-27, 12:00-3:00pm

Field Hockey Camp (rising) 6th-9th graders - June 19-22, 8:00-10:00

Soccer Camp (rising) 6th-9th graders - June 5-8, 9:00-11:30

Tennis Camp (rising) 7th-9th graders - June 12-15, 9:00-11:00

Volleyball - Little Lions - 1st-4th graders - Wednesdays in April, 5:00-7:00 pm

Volleyball (rising) 5th-6th graders - June 5-8, 4:00-6:30 pm

Volleyball (rising) 7th-8th graders - June 19-22, 4:00-6:30 pm

Volleyball (rising) 5th-8th graders - July 17-20, 4:00-6:30 pm

\*\*Tennis Camp (rising) 1st-2nd grade - June 5-8, 9:00-10:00

\*\*Tennis Camp (rising) 3-5 graders - June 5-8, 10:15-11:15

\*\*These two tennis camps are in partnership with Midwest Youth Team Tennis held at Ursuline's tennis courts. More information and registration for these two tennis camps can be found [here](#).

For more information contact Athletic Director Colleen O'Brien '93 at [cobrien@ursulineacademy.org](mailto:cobrien@ursulineacademy.org).

**HSPT Prep Class**

All 8th graders applying to a Catholic high school in Cincinnati for the 2024-2025 school year must take the High School Placement Test (HSPT).

Prepare for the HSPT at Ursuline!

Course Options:

July 24-28, 8:30am - 10:00am

July 24-28, 10:00am - 11:30am

Fall after school class - Mondays: 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23 - 3:30 - 5:00pm

Fall after school class - Wednesdays: 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25 - 3:30 - 5:00pm

Led by an experienced Ursuline teacher, the HSPT test prep course will help you feel more confident on testing day so you can do your best. The course will cover standardized test taking strategies as well as familiarize you with the format and types of questions on the HSPT, including practice questions for each section.

An HSPT Prep Book will be provided for each registered student.

Ursuline will offer two full practice test options for students enrolled in any of the test prep courses on Saturday, July 29 and Saturday, October 28. You are welcome to participate in one or both, regardless of which prep class you are taking. The full practice test offers students the opportunity to take the practice test in an authentic, timed, school environment, very similar to what you would experience on the actual testing day. Students who are not able to attend either of the full practice tests can complete a full practice test at home from the provided workbook.

The cost of the course is \$130, which includes the test prep book and a small snack each day.

Questions? Contact Mary Claire Simpson, Assistant Director of Admissions, at [msimpson@ursulineacademy.org](mailto:msimpson@ursulineacademy.org)

**Elder HS -**

Spring Fine Art Events-

Sunday, April 30 - Art Show | 1:00pm | Elder High School

Check out the annual Elder Art Show! Open to the public, this is a great way to visit our



campus and view the artistic creations of our students!

### **Register for Panthers Junior High Running Club**

Boys entering the seventh and eighth grade next fall are invited to join the Panthers Junior High Cross Country team. If you are interested in learning about the sport of cross country and distance running, join the team for summer conditioning Tuesdays in July at 5:30 pm at Fernbank Park, beginning Thursday July 6 (due to Independence Day). Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday practices & races will begin August 6.

The running club is open to all boys entering 7 th or 8 th grade from the West side of town.

No experience is needed to join and conditioning is free. Meets begin in mid-August with 8-10 races ending in mid-October.

If interested, contact Rob Carvitti at [panthersrunningclub@gmail.com](mailto:panthersrunningclub@gmail.com).

### **Moeller Camps - Summer 2023**

Hosted by Moeller faculty, coaches, and current students, Moeller youth camps offer age-appropriate activities for boys and girls grades K-12 that encourage skill development, teamwork, curiosity, positive attitudes, and a lot of fun - taught the Moeller Way! Our popular camps sell out fast, so be sure to register today at [www.MoellerCamps.org](http://www.MoellerCamps.org)! Questions? Please contact Kate George at [MoellerCamps@Moeller.org](mailto:MoellerCamps@Moeller.org) or call (513) 618-9614.

### **Church News...**

**RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** - Is the Catholic Faith calling you? We invite you to journey with us. Classes begin September 8, 2022. Contact Fr. Scott Morgan to learn more call 513-921-9200, or email at [smorgan@stteresa-avila.org](mailto:smorgan@stteresa-avila.org)

**The National Eucharistic Revival** has begun! Archbishop Schnurr is inviting all Catholics through their parishes and all Catholic school students grades 6-12 to grow in our understanding and devotion to the Eucharist.

The Archbishop has also provided for a great and easy way to help our students and faculty to grow in meeting Christ in the Eucharist. In the link below, you will find information about a video series called The Mass from Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire Ministries. We encourage all teachers and staff to be sent this information, but especially the 6-12 religion teachers so they are able to sign up to receive a weekly email with the video and introduction by Archbishop Schnurr. We encourage all religion teachers to set aside one day a week from January 8th-February 12th to watch the video with their students and have a discussion on the Eucharist. (approximately 25 mins per video)

I also encourage you to send this information out to your parents as well so your entire Catholic school community can learn and be invigorated in Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist!

Starting Monday, Nov. 21st, <https://CatholicAOC.org/theMass>

### **Around the Community...**

Connor Kids Academy is a 3-year enrichment program that promotes personal growth through the power of sports.

It's a long-term investment in you, helping you maintain healthy habits and make good choices.

It's year-round, with in-person events and an interactive app.

It's fun, we partner with professional and collegiate athletes.

It's no cost, you just have to commit to becoming your best self.

There's only one chance to join. You can only join as a rising 5th grader - enroll in the spring of your 4th grade year.





May 11 & 12 - Choir Show  
May 17 - Zoo Field Trip, all grades PK-8  
May 19 - Field Day  
May 23 - 8th Grade Field Trip  
May 25 - 8th Grade Award Breakfast  
May 25 - 8th Grade Graduation 7:00  
(Pictures at 6:15 in church)  
May 26 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL; 10:00  
am dismissal

ALL PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN  
STUDENTS MUST TURN IN SHOT  
RECORDS AND A PHYSICIAN  
ASSESSMENT FORM.

If you have any questions regarding Cov-id  
protocol, you can email our school nurse,  
Kristi Wilms at  
wilms@stlawrenceparish.org

### Technology Tidbits...

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