The Sentinel

January 9, 2020

Principal's Message

Happy New Year! I hope that you and your family enjoyed the Christmas holiday.

The second round of Scantron Testing will begin on Monday and will extend through the next three weeks. The format will be identical to that of the first round, i.e. approximately one hour assessments in math, reading and language arts completed by students in grades 3-7. Teachers will use the data from this test to measure student growth and to tailor instruction accordingly during the second half of the year.

Just prior to the Christmas holiday, we were pleased to announce that an anonymous donor has pledged to match contributions to the All Saints Catholic School Annual Fund up to \$15,000 now through January 31, 2020. This means that parents, alumni and friends of All Saints can double the impact of their gift by making a contribution by the close of this month or until the \$15,000 in matching donations has been reached.

As of today we have already received \$7,300 in contributions from our community!

Finally, I wish to offer a word of thanks to the entire community for your generosity to the faculty & staff during the Christmas season. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is always appreciated. And to those unknown families who gave me a scarf and the "Joy to the World" decoration... many thanks!

With God All Things Are Possible!

Re-registration & Fees for 2020

Thank you to the many families who submitted re-registration forms for the upcoming year in November. Those who have not yet submitted the corresponding fee are asked to do so no later than Wednesday, January 15 after which time a late fee of \$25.00 will be applied.

The tuition rates for 2020-2021 will be available on our website beginning February 1, 2020.

Should you have any questions about the re-registration process or wish to discuss your plans for next year, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Virtues in Practice

Virtue for the Month of January: Gratitude

Definition: Seeing everything as a gift and being thankful.

Saints: St. Francis of Assisi (PK-2), St. Julie Billiart (3-5), St. Josemaria Escriva (6-8)

March for Life

On Friday, January 24 the students of All Saints will join their prayers with the thousands who will gather in Washington, D.C. at the annual March for Life. As a school community we will pray for an increase in respect for the sanctity of life at all stages in our society. If your child will be attending the March, please notify his or her teacher via a note by Thursday, January 23.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

FACTS Tuition Assistance Application 2020-2021

The online application for tuition assistance through FACTS Grant & Aid is now available online. For more information about the diocesan tuition assistance program and the application process, please see the links below.

- 2020-2021 Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program Overview
- 2020-2021 Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program Overview Espanol
- Online Tuition Assistance Application

<u>High School Deadline – January 10, 2020</u> Elementary School Deadline – March 18, 2020

Should you have any questions about the application process or tuition assistance, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Joyce D'Eugenio, Administrative Assistant, at 703-393-1490 or jdeugenio@allsaintsva.org.

Volunteers Needed for the Helping Hands Project on January 16th – To be held in the Gym

We are in need of volunteers on January 16th from 5-8pm to help our teachers. Parents don't need to be VIRTUS compliant in order to help and young children are welcome. Opportunities can be found by using the HelpCounter

link: https://www.helpcounterweb.com/ci/signup/140ea4771ed. If you have any questions, please contact Theresa Zahorchak, TZahorchak@outlook.com.

Upcoming Events

Friday, January 10

- School Mass (8:30 a.m.)
- FACTS Grant & Aid Application Deadline for High Schools

Monday, January 13

- Scantron Testing Begins (Through January 31)
- Geography Bee (PAC/1:30 p.m.)

Tuesday, January 14

• PTO Executive Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, January 15

Deadline: Re-Registration Fees for 2020-2021

Thursday, January 16

- Open House PAC/9:00 a.m.)
- PTO Helping Hands (GYM/5:00-8:00 p.m.)
- Enrollment Management Team Meeting (PLC/7:00 p.m.)

Friday, January 17

School Mass – St. Anthony, Abbot (8:30 a.m.)

Monday, January 20

Holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 21

• Band Concert (PAC/2:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.)

Thursday, January 23

• Science Fair – Awards Ceremony (PAC/6:30 p.m.)

Friday, January 24

• School Mass – St. Francis De Sales (8:30 a.m.)

Saturday, January 25

• First Reconciliation for 2nd Grade (10:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m.)

Sunday, January 26

Catholic Schools Week

Tuesday, January 28

• Picture Day – Teams, Clubs & Candids

Wednesday, January 29

• Catholic Cup – Religion Bee (PAC/8:30 a.m.)

Thursday, January 30

• Adoration & Benediction (2:15 p.m.)

Friday, January 31

- School Mass St. John Bosco (8:30 a.m.)
- Race for Education Assembly (11:30 a.m.)
- Trimester II Interims
- Noon Dismissal (Faculty/Staff Catholic Schools Week Luncheon)

Newsletter Links

- Past Due: RE-REGISTRATION FORM
- Online Tuition Assistance Application (Elementary School Deadline: March 18, 2020)
- Pilgrim Virgin Statue Sign-Up
- Help Counter
- Online Application for Diocesan Background Check Application
- VIRTUS use this link to sign up for VIRTUS training sessions