BSS NEWSLETTER





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CALENDAR











WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Thursday:

SPIRITWEAR DAY

2:15-3:15 - Quick Recall Practice (grades 6-8)

2:15-3:15 - Student Council Meeting

3:30-4:30 - Elementary Quick Recall Match

Friday:

8:15 - Mass (grades K-4)

Monday: BSS SPIRIT DAY - CityBird (Crestview Hills)

2:15-3:15 - MathCounts

Tuesday:

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY with \$2 donation to E2T

2:30-3:30 - Children's Choir rehearsal (grade 4)

6:00-8:00 - NDA Middle School Track informational meeting (at Notre Dame Academy)

Wednesday: 8:15 - Mass (grades 5-8)

2:15-3:15 - Lego Robotics Club (8A)

2:30-3:15 - Elementary Quick Recall Practice (4B)

2:30-3:15 - Homework Buddies

Thursday:

SPIRITWEAR DAY

3:30-4:30 - Elementary Quick Recall Match

Friday:

8:15 - Mass (grades K-4)

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Confetti Pancakes, Sausage Links, Smile Fries, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Pizza Crunchers, Marinara Sauce, Green Beans, Garden Salad, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Chicken Tenders, Roasted Potatoes, Green Beans, Diced Peaches, Frozen Sidekick, Milk

Beef Tacos, Salsa, Sour Cream, Corn, Refried Beans, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit,

Chicken Drumstick, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll, Glazed Carrots, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Chicken Nuggets, Mac & Cheese, Baked Beans, Veggie Boat, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Salsa, Veggie Boat, Baked Apples, Fresh Fruit, Milk

WEEKEND MASSES

WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOUR FAMILY AT MASS THIS WEEKEND!

> Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

A Note From Your Administration

Good Afternoon, Everyone!

Please remember that our open house is this Sunday, 1/23 from 11:30 – 1:30. Current families are asked to enter through the main school doors and walk around the building, while the Parish Center will be reserved for prospective families only, please. If you have family, friends, relatives, or neighbors looking for a school and community to call home, please encourage them to come to open house on Sunday or reach out to us directly to schedule a private tour!

Registration (& re-registration) for the upcoming school year will open on 1/23. Re-registration forms will be sent home with each child next week.

Blue Ribbon Mass

- ☐ On January 28th, Bishop Iffert will be officiating a special Mass with our staff and students to celebrate our 4th Blue Ribbon Award. Afterward, the Bishop will be visiting our school and we will have some special activities planned!
- We are asking that only students and staff attend this Mass. The Mass will be streaming at THIS link.

Out of Uniform Day Benefitting Evening to Treasure

- □ On Tuesday, January 25th, students are able to come to school out of uniform for a donation of \$2, which will benefit Evening to Treasure. Please send them in with cash that day if they wish you participate. Thank you for supporting this important event!
- ☐ Evening to Treasure is 2/26 starting at 6:00 PM. The theme this year is *Celebrate the Blue*.

COVID Info & Reporting

- ☐ Mask Info:
 - As a reminder, mask status will be determined for next week (and each week following) on Friday.
 Per Diocesan guidance (page 1), If a school has 5 10 cases and cases are declining, schools will return to recommended masking.
 - We will continue to require masks at large group events like All-School Mass. Please have your children keep a mask or two in backpacks, even in times of recommended masking.
- Reporting:
 - As of today, eight students are out as a result of a positive COVID test in homerooms KB, 1A, 4C, 5C, 6B, 7B, 7C, & 8B.
 - All staff members have returned.
 - 12 additional students are quarantined as close contacts of positive cases.

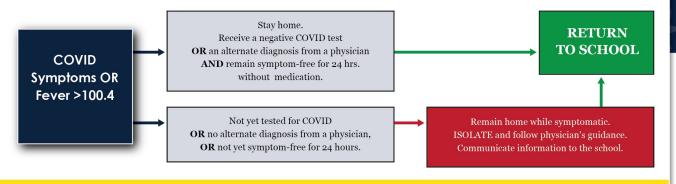
Dates to Remember

- \square 1/31 2/4 Catholic Schools' Week
- \square 2/4 Early Dismissal (at 11:30 with bus service)

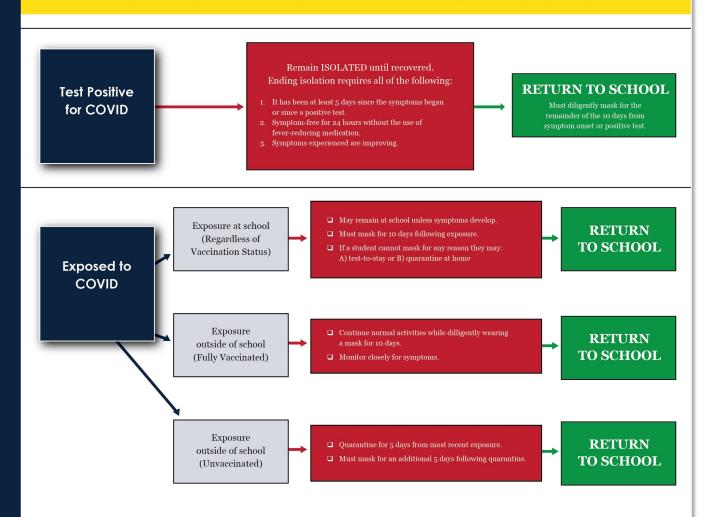
Please reach out if you have any questions! Thank you.

Mr. Steffen & Mrs. Geiman



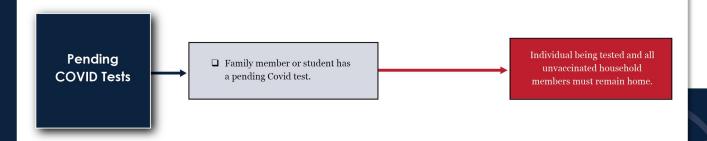


COVID-19 symptoms include: fever (above 100.4°F), chills, shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle/body aches, headache, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea and a new, uncontrolled cough that causes difficulty breathing.



"Close contact" is defined as an individual within 3 feet of someone who has COVID for a total of 15 minutes (cumulative) over the previous 24 hours.

The CDC now considers those who are "fully vaccinated" as having the booster vaccine, completed the 2 dose series of Pfizer or Moderna within the last 6 months, OR completed the J&J vaccine within the last 2 months.





Thumbs Up!

Thumbs up to the following students who earned medals for their test scores at the Governor's Cup district competition!

Lila Harris - Composition (1st place)

Ruth Maier Composition (3rd place)

Grace Powers Arts & Humanities (3rd place)

We are SO proud of you - good luck at regionals!!!



Thumbs Up!

Congratulations to our 8th grade Girls Basketball Team for winning the Notre Dame Academy League Championship.

Players include Audrey, Molly, Joelle, Ellie, Cara, Olivia, Elliott, and Ella.

Way to go girls!





Be the WHY

You are part of the WHY that allows each of us at Blessed Sacrament School to strive for excellence every day. Your support motivates us to continue to aspire towards greatness.

We would like to thank everyone who has already donated to this year's Annual Giving Campaign. The generosity and support of many parish families, in addition to 30% of our school families, is greatly appreciated.

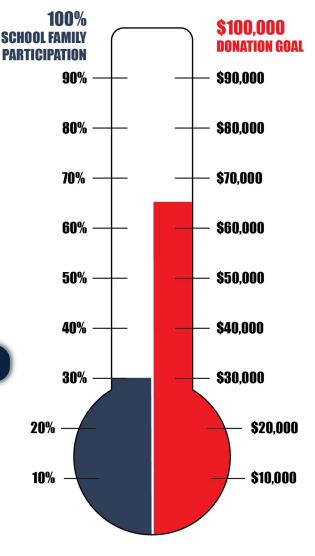
Imagine what we can accomplish with 100% school family partipation!

If you have not already contributed, please prayerfully consider making a donation. We would like to challenge the remaining 70% of school families to each make a donation to help us achieve our financial and participation goals!

CLICK HERE TO DONATE



BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN 2021 - 2022



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SERVICE PROJECT FOR THE ION CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION

During Catholic School's Week, we are focusing on Faith, Excellence, and Service.

On Tuesday, February 1st, our students will be putting together "Blessing Bags"

for men, women, and children who have been affected by violence in our community.

Please take a look at the following list and see what items your child(ren)'s grade level(s)

are asked to donate. Children can do chores around the house to earn money for these items.

We would appreciate if you prayerfully consider donating to this service project.

It would be wonderful if these items could be brought into school by Friday, January 28th.

		K-2 will be putting together KIDDIE FUN BAGS: Kindergarten - coloring books and crayons Grade 1 – colored pencils, markers, and play dough Grade 2 – fidget type toys, sidewalk chalk, and paints 8 3-5 will be putting together SNACK BAGS:
Grades 3-5 will be putting together of the		
	_	Grade 3 – fruit/cereal bars and juice boxes
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		Grade 4 – fruit snacks and juice boxes
		Grade 5 – granola bars and small chip bags
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Tha	ank	s in advance for your generosity!





ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADE GIRLS! COME MAKE NEW FRIENDS WITH GIRL SCOUTS!

Today, as yesterday, we continue the Girl Scout mission of building girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place.

Join us for a fun, informational event Thursday, February 10, 2022 from 6-7pm in the Parish Center.

Please **CLICK HERE** for more information!

Yearbook Photos

ARE YOU THE PARENT WHO ALWAYS CAPTURES SPECIAL MOMENTS ON FILM?

We need pictures for the 2021-2022 BSS Yearbook!

Please start gathering your digital photos and feel free to email photos to Parents Club at <u>parentsclub@bssky.org</u>.

We will provide information soon with a link for easily sharing photos.

Please ensure that photos are of school events only (classroom parties, after school clubs, BSS sports teams, etc.).

Inform Bosters

Signups are open for Soccer and Baseball for spring 2022!

Registration can be found at http://www.bssboosters.com/demosphere-registration-site

Flag Football Registrations are open!

Register using code **SP22BSS** at

https://playfanatics.com/youth-sports-2/registration-page/

The Boosters are looking for the following positions:

- ☐ Board Members ☐ Soccer Directors for U6, U8, U10 and U12-U14,
- ☐ Boys Basketball Director ☐ Girls Basketball Director.

Interested? Please contact Jeff Epplen at epplenj@gmail.com or 859-445-5422.

Parent Club News

Please join us for an "open" Parent Club meeting via Zoom Thursday, February 10 at 8PM!

Come find out what Parent Club is all about and discuss upcoming opportunities for involvement at BSS.

Submit Topics for discussion and/or questions to be addressed to parentsclub@bssky.org by Monday Jan 31st.

VALENTINE TREATS FOR SOMEONE SWEET

Jillybeans Sweet Treats

Celebrate Valentine's Day with a sweet treat for your loved ones AND raise money for BSS! Jillybeans Sweet Treats has graciously offered to give 50% of all sales back to Blessed Sacrament Parent Club! Orders Due Friday February 4th, sent home on Friday February 11th.



Package A: \$15 for 12 mini pink and red heart shaped cookies



Package B: \$12 for 5 piece "you're the coolest" ice cream cone set

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

 Online Orders Can be placed at: https://bit.ly/3nBTJfq



Cash or Check payable to: BSS Parent Club
 (attn: Katie Miller)
 Please include this form if paying with cash or check

Package A: _____ x \$15 = ____

Package B: _____ x \$12 = ____

_____ Total Due

Name: _____ Homeroom _____

All cookies will come home individually heat sealed in a box. Cookies are peanut and nut free, but processed in a home that contains peanuts and tree nuts





VALENTINE CARDS

Valentine cards customized with your child's artwork can be purchased through Artsonia, our BSS on-line art gallery!

Artwork with a valentine theme will be posted in 2-3 weeks for 1^{st} and 2^{nd} grades. Students in other grade levels can complete valentine-themed artwork at home and upload it or bring the artwork in to be photographed.

The cards (or other Valentine gifts) can be ordered at the Artsonia site through Feb. 6 for arrival by February 14.

A set of 8 cards and envelopes costs \$9.95, with 20% being donated back to the school. Shop the Artsonia Gift Shop: https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=139726



IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN AND EVENING TO TREASURE IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER!

Once again, the Cheers to BSS section will have our bourbon silent auction and raffles! If you have extra libations left over from the holidays or are just looking to donate to Evening to treasure, Cheers to BSS is looking for bourbon, liquor, wine, beer, and seltzer. Any donation would be much appreciated!!

Questions or donations, please call or text Bethany Flick at 859.512.1651 or bethanyflick@hotmail.com. Thank you!!



FUNDRAISE WITH US

BLESSED SACRAMENT SPIRIT NIGHT

MONDAY, JANUARY 24TH

ALL DAY

Mention Blessed Sacrament School when ordering at our Crestview Hills location and 20% of your order will be donated to school.

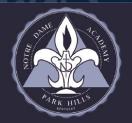
For call-in orders, or walk-in orders, just mention that you're with the fundraiser PRIOR to ordering.

Online Orders must be placed through the CityBird website or app. No third party orders

(such as DoorDash, or Uber Eats) are eligible for fundraising. In the notes section
under any of the items, please be sure to say that you are with the fundraiser.

CITYBIRDTENDERS.COM

Info from NDA



Notre Dame Academy will be offering middle school track and field for 6-8 grade girls this spring!

If your daughter is interested, there will be an information/ sign-up meeting at NDA in the cafeteria on **Tuesday, January 25** at 6:00 p.m. If you cannot attend the meeting, please email coach Tony Barczak at <u>tbarczak@covcath.org</u>

Help Wanted

Catholic schools in the Diocese of Covington are seeking to fill a number of <u>immediate</u> openings. These include classroom teachers, counselors, instructional aides, and substitute teachers.

Many positions need to be filled beginning in January through the end of the 2021-22 school year.

Visit the "Employment" page on the Diocesan website, <u>www.covdio.org/schools/employment</u>, under "Teacher Openings" and "School-Related Openings", to view the postings and for information on how to apply.

Questions may be directed to skoplyay@covdio.org.

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INTERESTED IN SOME FRIENDLY COMPETITION AND EXERCISE ON THE HARDCOURT?

All parishioners and BSS parents are invited to play basketball on Wednesday nights in the BSS basketball gym.

No commitments required - time of play is dependent on gym usage & weekly participation. A waiver is required for participation.

Contact Chris Pfeiffer for more details at 513-374-6494 or shoot him an email at cpfeiffer@comey.com.

Out of Uniform Day

Evening to Treasure Out-of-Uniform Day!!

All students and staff may come to school out of uniform Tuesday, January 25th with a **\$2 cash donation** that goes towards funding gift cards for Evening to Treasure.









SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2022 • 6:00 PM - MIDNIGHT • MARRIOTT CINCINNATI AIRPORT https://www.facebook.com/2022E2T

FORMAL INVITATIONS AND EVENT DETAILS ARE COMING SOON.

WATCH FOR EMAILS, INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER, AND SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS AMAZING EVENT!



Vacation Bible School

Join the Team!

VBS is June 27-30

We are forming our 2022 Core Team now!

Seeking:

Creative idea people and brainstormers to help in the development process.

In June, we will also need adults and teens to help with set up, lead stations, assist with activities, guide small groups of children through the stations, assist with clean up, etc.



You can help in advance or assist some or all of the days of the program. It is truly a TEAM effort!

For more information, contact Rosanne Thomas: rthomas@bscky.org, 859-331-4302 ext 22

Blessed Sacrament Church BECOMING STEWARDS IN COMMUNITY

A FEW REMINDERS...

- ☐ Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes
- Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found <u>HERE</u> in the handbook (see page 28)
- Please make sure that snacks and are peanut-free. A list of safe options can be found <u>HERE</u>, but please check labels as there may be other items that are not included on this list.
- Your children are **AWESOME** and we are **SO HAPPY** that they are here!

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO EVERY DAY! WE APPRECIATE YOU!

If you have a great idea to share, feedback on an event, questions on upcoming events, or want more information on how to get involved please contact the BSS Parents Club at parentsclub@bssky.org.

If you would like to submit an article or flyer to our weekly newsletter, please send information to Annie Ernst at annernst@bssky.org.

All information MUST be submitted by 12:00 pm on Monday to be printed in that week's newsletter.

(Submissions made after the deadline will run in the following week's newsletter.)

Check us out on Social Media









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