

# BSS NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, September 30, 2020



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

**Thursday:** SPIRITWEAR DAY! 

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**Friday:** 8:15 - 9:15: Mass - 1, 2

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**Monday:** 7:00 - 8:00: Class of 2020 Confirmation (Group 1)

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**Tuesday:** 7:00 - 8:00: Class of 2020 Confirmation (Group 2)

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**Wednesday:** 8:15 - 9:15: Mass - 5, 6

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**Thursday:** SPIRITWEAR DAY! 

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**Friday:** NO SCHOOL - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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## WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

**Th** Chicken Nuggets, Mac and Cheese, Baked Beans, Veggie Boat, Mandarin Oranges, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**F** Grilled Cheese, Tomato Soup, Oyster Crackers, Garden Salad, Applesauce, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**M** Chicken Patty on Bun, Baked Beans, Waffle Fries, Frozen Sidekick, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**T** Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza, Carrots with Dip, Steamed Broccoli, Diced Pears, Fresh Fruit, Milk

**W** Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Corn, Garden Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fresh Fruit, Milk

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

**F** NO SCHOOL!!

## 2020-2021 SCHOOL THEME

### Rooted in Christ, Bloom Where You are Planted

We have focused on identity (SHAPE) and vocation. This year we will focus on living out that unique vocation, or purpose that God has given each of us - our mission.

We will explore how God reveals both himself and our life's mission through experience.



# A Note From Your Administration

Hi, Everyone.

We shared these updates as an e-mail yesterday, but we wanted to include them here as a reminder, as well. Have a great rest of the week!

## Morning drop off

Now that bus service has resumed, we have noticed the additional backups in the car line. Here are some reminders and suggestions to help remedy that.

- ❑ The car line does not start to back up until a little after 7:00 a.m. This means that the bulk of our students are arriving within a small portion of the drop-off window (7:05 – 7:15), which causes backups. The drop-off window begins at 6:45. If morning car riders begin to utilize the entirety of the drop-off window (specifically the early portion, 6:45 – 7:05), the backups will be far less significant. This will help immensely to reduce traffic, promote safety, and stop cars from backing up onto Dixie Highway. Thanks for your help with this.
- ❑ **Please DO NOT use the church driveway to drop off students unless directed by a staff member to do so. Those lanes must be kept open at all times for busses. On regular mornings, there are no staff members monitoring that driveway, so it is not a safe option for students.**
- ❑ Please ensure that if you are between lines 1 & 2 when you stop ([illustrated in this document](#)), that your students are exiting the vehicle.
- ❑ Another slowdown that we frequently see in car line is when parents get out of cars to help children get out. Please avoid doing this unless it is absolutely necessary, as it inevitably takes longer for the line to move when this occurs.

Thank you for helping keep the flow of the morning car line manageable.

## Civil War Day

Civil War Day is an immersive day of learning for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students which will take place this Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup> in the bottom parking lot and around church. This educational experience gives them the opportunity to listen to reenactors of the Civil War time period. They will also see Civil War equipment, clothes, camps, weapons, medical supplies, etc. Our trained reenactors will periodically fire blanks from a musket to signal a transition between stations and will also fire a cannon at the end of the day. We like to make the community aware so there is no confusion about what you/your students are hearing or seeing. We are glad to be able to offer a safe and socially distant version of this great event for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students!

## Covid-19

As of September 29, Blessed Sacrament School has had one student and zero staff members test positive for Covid-19. We do not see any evidence of spread within BSS.

Parents are being diligent when their children exhibit potential Covid-19 symptoms and take all necessary precautions before sending their students to school. Several students are also in quarantine due to travel, and we appreciate their transparency and adherence to protocols. Please continue to contact us when you need to report exposure, have questions, plan travel, or need guidance about how to proceed to protect both your child as well as the entire BSS community. Please also remain diligent with the activities you choose for your children and family outside of school, as those choices can directly affect our in-person instruction. Thank you.

## Winter Sports

The decision has been made to resume winter sports at the elementary level in our Diocesan schools. Attached is a letter explaining the winter sports decision. As we move forward, it is the Diocese's hope and expectation that our sports committee leaders will embrace the requirements for winter sports and work hard to provide a safe environment for our students to play - just as we have done with in-person instruction.

Thank you for your efforts to keep our children healthy and in school! Without our partnership with our community, this endeavor would not remain successful. You continue to help BSS bloom!

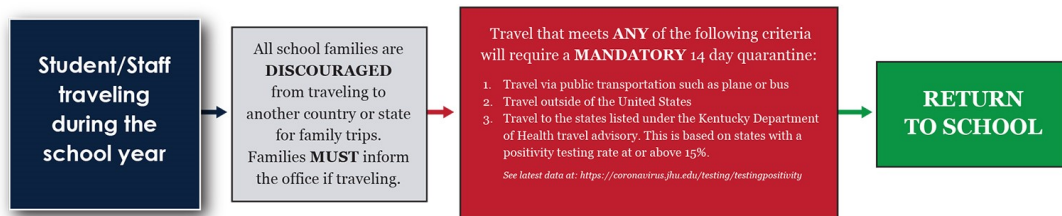
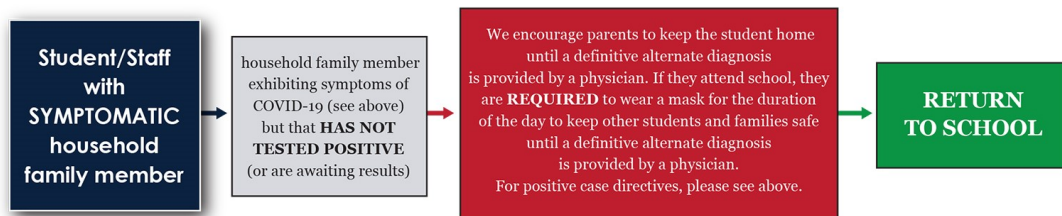
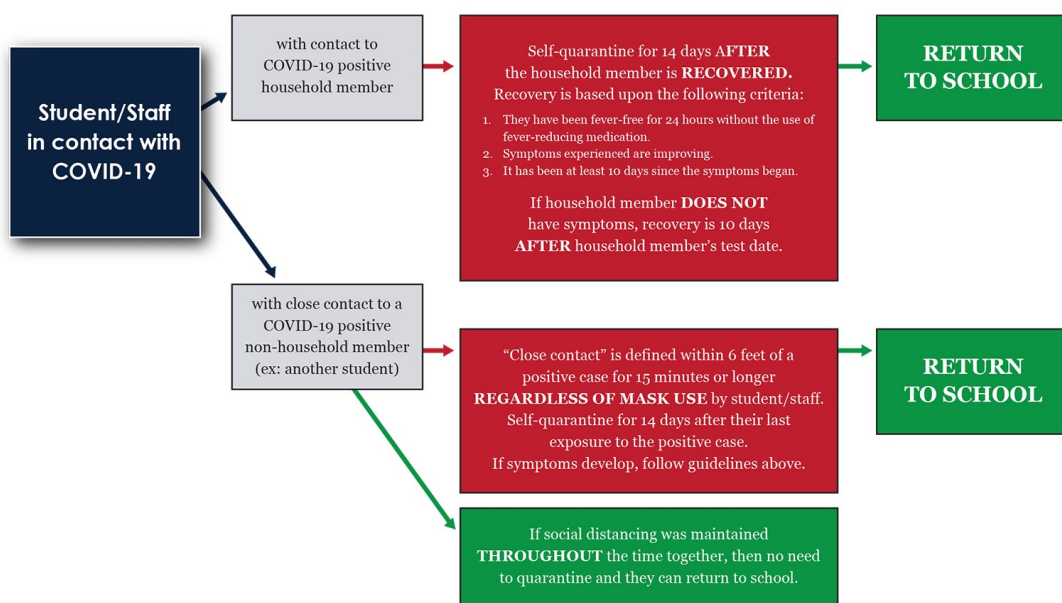
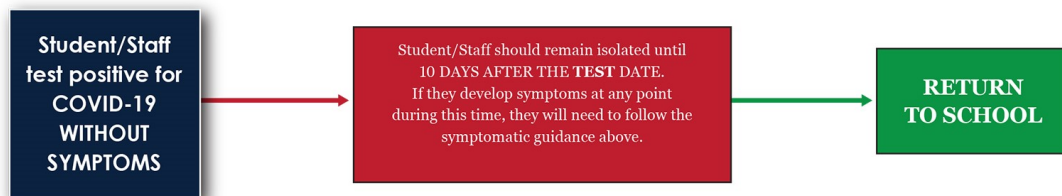
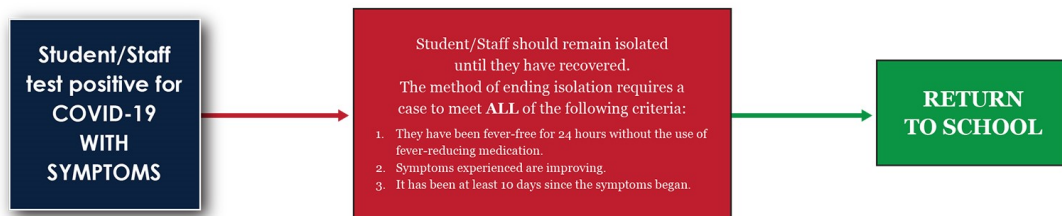
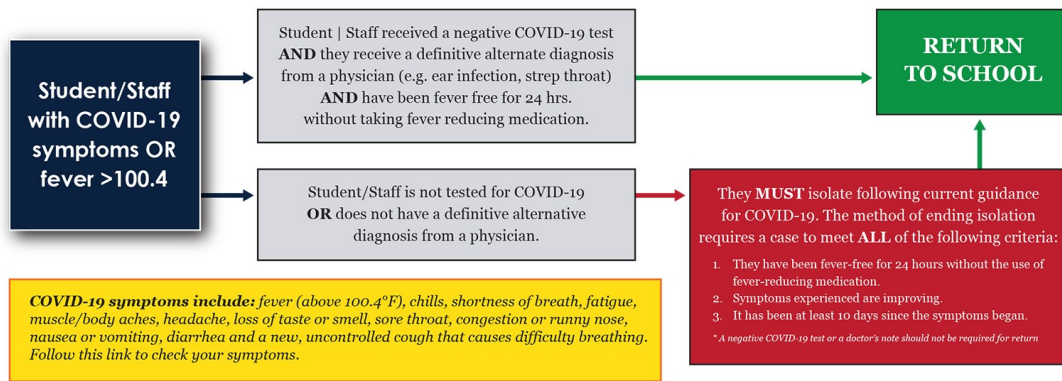
Mr. Steffen and Mrs. Geiman





# BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL Covid-19 Response Chart for Students/Staff (updated 9/2/2020)

information subject to change.





# Thumbs Up!



Thumbs up for Deacon Fortner!

He was running around outside with our second grade students this morning. Cheers of “DEACON! DEACON!” could be heard throughout recess!

What a wonderful way for our clergy to interact with and get to know our BSS students!



Thumbs up for our 6th grade Challenge Girls!

They recently visited Atria Senior Living Center and held a “Window Party” for the residents. These BSS students are examples of God’s love in action, and brought so much joy to those who are unable to have visitors due to Covid restrictions.

We are so proud of all of you!







# Picture Day

Our 2020-2021 School Picture Day is scheduled for  
**next Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Fliers will be coming home this week. You can either order the pictures traditionally by sending the completed form back to school with your student, or you can order online on [www.mylifetouch.com](http://www.mylifetouch.com) using code **EVTN7Q8GB**.

If you order online, nothing needs to be sent back to school.



# Help Wanted

**Holy Family Elementary School** ([www.holyfamilycovington.org](http://www.holyfamilycovington.org)) has an immediate need for a **full-time manager**. This is a five hours a day, five days a week position during the school year. Primary responsibilities involve preparing and serving daily breakfast and lunch, and overall supervision of the school's meals program. Other responsibilities include ordering, receiving, and managing inventory; operating a point-of-sale system; and interacting with school staff, students, and their parents.

**Holy Cross School** ([www.holycrosselem.com](http://www.holycrosselem.com)) has an immediate need for a **full-time cook**. This is a six hour a day, five days a week position during the school year. Responsibilities include food preparation, and may include serving line, cashier, and cleanup, among other duties.

If you are interested in any of these openings, contact Jackie Kaiser at [jkaiser@covdio.org](mailto:jkaiser@covdio.org), or call her at 859/392-1536.





**Blessed Sacrament School is selling special **VETERAN'S DAY** spiritwear shirts to support U.S. Military Veterans.**

Proceeds will benefit the Department of American Veterans.

Shirts will be delivered by the beginning of November, and may be worn on gym and spiritwear days throughout the school year.

**ORDER DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 8!**



FRONT



BACK

Shirts are grey, 100% cotton (pre-shrunk), with navy and yellow imprinting and an American flag on the sleeve.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom: \_\_\_\_\_

	Youth XS	Youth Small	Youth Med	Youth Large	Youth XL	Adult Small	Adult Med	Adult Large	Adult XL	Adult 2XL	Total Qty	Price <b>\$15</b> per shirt
T-Shirt												



Make checks payable to: Blessed Sacrament School

**Order Deadline: Thursday, October 8, 2020**

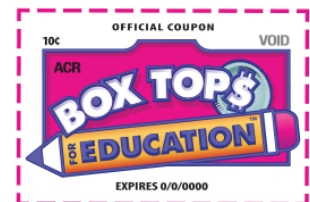
Turn order forms and money in to your homeroom teacher.

*\*\* If you are sending in one payment for multiple children, please staple the order forms together and send in with the payment.*



# Parent Club News

Did you know that you can raise money for BSS when shopping for groceries or on Amazon?



Simply click on the Community Rewards tab on the BSS website and learn how to sign up for Amazon Smile, Remke and Kroger community rewards, as well as information on Box Tops and Coke Rewards!

Our Gift Card program is also a great way to give back to the school!

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to print the gift certificate order form.

It can also be found on the web site under School Forms> Misc Forms> Gift Card Order Form. Just complete the form and send into school with your payment, and gift cards can be sent home with your student!

Thanks so much for your support!!





# Art Contest

**The Fort Mitchell Fire Department is participating in the Northern Kentucky Firefighters Association Junior Fire Marshall Poster Contest again this year.**

This is at least our 20<sup>th</sup> year of participating in this event. This year we have moved to a hybrid model for the poster contest as entries may be submitted in the traditional format of paper copies or entries may be uploaded via the link which follows below.

The rules have also gone paperless this year and are included in the link below.

We have included all local schools in the entry form as well as an option for home school children. Home school children must reside in the Northern Kentucky area. The annual awards ceremony will also be in a virtual format with awards either mailed or delivered to the winner students school.

**Rules and Entries may be found at:**  
<https://form.jotform.com/202415569913155>

This year's expanded prizes include over fifty (50) cash awards. First Place in each grade level will receive \$75 cash and six runners-up per grade level will receive \$30 cash. The Grand prize winner, selected at random from all entries, will receive a \$125 cash prize. The "Best Artwork" winner will receive a \$250 cash prize. The school with the highest percentage participation will receive a plaque at the awards presentation.

# Challenge Club

A FAITH-BASED CLUB FOR  
GIRLS IN 5TH -8TH GRADE

Challenge Club is a chance for girls to have fun while living out their beliefs and participating in apostolic projects. Club meetings are led by high school girls and meetings are two Fridays a month in the afternoon.

*Check it out on Friday, October, 16th  
3:30 - 5:00 BS Cundercraft*



RSVP REQUIRED [challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com](mailto:challengeatblessedsacrament@gmail.com)  
or Lisa Laudenslayer 513-235-6872

All Parish Covid requirements apply. Please bring a mask.



# Community Events

 GRIFFIN ELITE X IGNITION APG  
700 DOLWICK DR. ERLANGER, KY 41018  
(859) 331-0979 

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL BURST TRAINING**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
3:00pm-4:00pm

The Ignition Burst Training program specifically focuses on developing athletic foundations in the areas of speed, agility, quickness and power. It is centered on learning proper mechanics and increasing the athlete's capacity to meet the demands of their sport.

### **PRICING**

Single Session: \$20  
5 Sessions: \$100  
10 Sessions: \$150



REGISTER THROUGH THE GRIFFIN ELITE APP!

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## **ATHLETIC DEVELOPMENT**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday  
4:00pm-5:00pm

Created for our youth athletes, the Athletic Development Training program teaches the foundations of performance training. Built for athletes grades 3-5, our ADT class serves as an introduction to strength and conditioning. By integrating constructive games and drills through body weight techniques we are able to teach proper mechanics in the developmental stages before bad habits are formed.

### **PRICING**

Single Session: \$20  
5 Sessions: \$100  
10 Sessions: \$150



REGISTER THROUGH THE GRIFFIN ELITE APP!



**FOR FIRST THROUGH 12TH GRADE**  
**SEPTEMBER 14-OCTOBER 18, 2020**

Enter an original poem or tale in the Kenton County Public Library's 18th annual spooky writing contest. Deadline for entries is October 18. Limit of 700 words. Winners will be announced and prizes awarded in late October. Submit entries to the Covington Children's Department or email a Word document to [writingcontest@kentonlibrary.org](mailto:writingcontest@kentonlibrary.org). Entries must include child's name, age, address, phone, email address, school and grade level.

Questions? Call 859-962-4000.

Visit library locations in Covington, Erlanger and Independence and online at [kentonlibrary.org](http://kentonlibrary.org)



# A FEW REMINDERS...

- ☐ Please remember to keep extra masks in backpacks
- ☐ Please consider keeping a small hand sanitizer in backpacks and lunch boxes, and continue to encourage effective hand washing habits
- ☐ The most current school-related COVID-19 information can be found [HERE](#)
- ☐ Our current arrival and dismissal procedures can be found [HERE](#) in the handbook (see page 28)
- ☐ Please make sure that snacks and lunches are peanut-free. A list of safe options can be found [HERE](#), but please check labels as there may be other items that are not included on this list.
- ☐ We know that you're all doing your best!
- ☐ 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.)

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is to spiritually, academically, and personally develop active Catholics  
using the Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ.