

# St. Cecilia School - Principal Notes - September 5, 2025

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# School Centennial Kick-Off Mass Celebration - September 6 and 7, 2025

This is an exciting school year as we have started our 100th school year as St. Cecilia Catholic School! The first day of classes 100 years ago was September 7th, 1925. To honor this and kick-off our year long celebration, we are celebrating at all of the masses on September 6th and September 7th. We encourage all students who attend masses the centennial weekend to wear their centennial t-shirts. These will be in by the end of next week. The centennial committee is looking forward to this celebration and is in need of assistance for these celebrations next weekend. Below is the SignUp Genius if your student, yourself, or your entire family would like to help.

### **Centennial Weekend Sign-Up**

Please reach out to Darcy Spellman at <u>dspellman@stceciliaschoolames.org</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

# Mileage Club Fall 2025 - Volunteers Needed

Mary Greely Medical Center and St. Cecilia are partnering to offer Mileage Club again this year! Mileage Club offers students an opportunity to walk/run during their lunch recess. Mileage Club will occur on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 4 weeks this fall starting on Monday, September 22nd to Friday, October 17th. Students will receive toe tokens to place on their lanyard for every 5 miles logged. Your help is needed to make Mileage Club successful! We need volunteers to help keep our children safe while running/walking, as well as providing encouragement along the route in the parking lot!

The recess times are as followed:

Kindergarten - 2nd grade: 11:40am-12:10pm

3rd - 6th grade: 12:30-1pm

Please use the following link to sign up for volunteer times! Thank you in advance for helping

make this heart healthy activity successful at our school!

### Mileage Club Volunteer Sign Up Genius

### **Upcoming School Spirit Days**

RaiseRight/Scrip Spirit Day will occur on Friday, September 12th. Students can participate in this spirit day if your family purchases \$10 worth of Scrip Saturday (9/6/25) through Monday (9/8/25). We are doing this to promote the RaiseRight/Scrip program. Please see your student's Friday folder for more information about Raise/Right Scrip. Please contact Tanya Indelicato Clausen at <a href="mailto:scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org">scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org</a> if you have any questions. The money raised from RaiseRight/Scrip in September is going to go towards the band program.

The second spirit day in September is a Mission Spirit Day and it is on Friday, September 26th. This spirit day is to support a mission or service project that will be chosen by each of the St. Cecilia classes each month. To participate in this spirit day students will need to donate \$1.

On Spirit Days the students can wear jeans, shorts, or athletic pants. For their tops they can wear t-shirts, sweatshirts, or other school appropriate tops. Remember that hats or other head coverings are not approved for the day and if they wear a hooded sweatshirt they still need to keep the hood down while in the building. Remember on these days attire still needs to be appropriate for a Catholic school setting.

Students not wishing to dress down for the day can always wear their school uniforms as that is appropriate for the day. Call or stop in if you have any questions.



# RaiseRight Rally-Spirit Weekend

BUY September 6th-8th (thru 9:30 am) to earn out of uniform day

September Special Collection for: Band Program Spirit Day, out-of-uniform: Friday, September 12th

- Make a \$10 purchase or more, your kids can be out of uniform
- Half percentage on these days goes to your family account, half to special fund
- Order by website, app or paper

www.raiseright.com scrip@stceciliaschoolames.org



### RaiseRight/Scrip Weekend - September 6-8, 2025

Today in Friday folders there was a handout sent home. This handout will answer all questions and help families utilize the program to get more money for themselves and the general fund. Coming up this weekend is the RaiseRight/Scrip Rally weekend. Please see the flier for more information.



#### **FSA Dues**

Today in Friday folders, you will find a letter from FSA regarding yearly dues. Please return the form and money to the school office by September 26th. Checks should be written to St. Cecilia FSA with "dues" written in the memo line. Dues are \$10 per child with a max of \$30 per family in Preschool - 6th grade for the 2025-2026 school year. FSA looks forward to providing family friendly events each month for our school families!

# **Class Mass Receptions**

Class Mass receptions are a FSA sponsored community building event that will occur throughout the year for students in grades K-6th and their families after all school mass. This is a great way to socialize and to meet other parents within your student's grade!

The fall schedule is as follows:

- September 11 after mass reception for 4th graders and their families hosted by the 2nd grade parents
- October 16 after mass reception for 2nd graders and their families hosted by the 5th/6th grade parents
- November 6 after mass reception for 5th/6th graders and their families hosted by the kindergarten parents

Please review the sign-up genius below to volunteer to bring food and beverages when your student's grade is assigned to host. Thank you!

### Mass Reception Sign Up Genius



# Culver's Dine & Donate for St. Cecilia FSA - September 22, 2025

Join us from 5-7pm at Culver's in Ames, 525 Gilchrist St., on Monday, September 22. Students will serve your supper inside for the feast of St. Maurice, soldier and martyr. Don't forget to submit a RAFFLE TICKET near the cash register to win St. Cecilia Centennial swag!

### 2025-2026 Dine + Donate Centennial Raffle!

Each month when you attend our community nights at local restaurants (Dine + Donate), submit a raffle for everyone in your party: parents, friends and students! One raffle winner will be gifted some awesome Centennial swag in honor of our school's 100th birthday. Write your student's grade on the back of their ticket and their entire class will be awarded a prize by Ms. Spellman.



### **Family Masses**

There will be three Family Masses this fall at St. Cecilia Church. We are looking for youth of all ages to volunteer with the choir, as greeters, gift bearers, altar servers, usher assistants, and readers.

Sept. 21 at 10:30 Mass Oct. 12 at 8:30 Mass Nov. 9 at 10:30 Mass

We would love to have many families participate! Sign up at:

### Family Mass Sign Up Genius

Please contact Jessica Loecke at jjloecke@gmail.com or (515) 451-8126 for more information or to be added to the email list.







Valid rehearsal dates: September 8th September 15th September 22nd

REHEARSALS

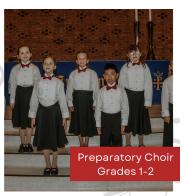
## **MONDAY EVENINGS**

AT THE PLEX
PREPARATORY CHOIR 4:30-5:20PM
CHORALE 5:30-6:40PM
CONCERT CHOIR 6:45-8:30PM

#### STRENGTHEN YOUR CHILD'S...

- MUSICALITYCOMMUNITY BUILDING
- MENTAL HEALTHDISCIPLINE
- MUSIC THEORY
- MEMORY
- CONFIDENCE
- SOCIAL SKILLS

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: info@ameschildrenschoirs.org +515-290-1422







#### **Ames Youth Choir**

Join the Ames Youth Choir today! We're welcoming new singers in grades 1–10, and we'd love to have you! Interested? Kids can drop in for a free rehearsal on select dates in September to see what it's all about.

We meet on Monday evenings at the PLEX, and throughout the year, we perform two major concerts, plus a variety of exciting community performances. Ready to get started? Check out the attached image for all the details and reach out to Mrs. Malamos with any questions.



**September 6 and 7: Centennial Year Kick-off Celebrations at Masses** 

September 10: FSA Meeting 6:30 pm (Church Social Hall)

September 11: School Mass: Grades 2nd-6th School Mass 9:00-10:00 am; Grades

K-1st Prayer Service 10:00 am September 12: SCRIP Spirit Day

September 15: NO SCHOOL

September 18: School Mass: Grades 2nd-6th School Mass 9:00-10:00 am; Grades

K-1st Prayer Service 10:00 am September 19: School Picture Day

September 25: School Mass: Grades 2nd-6th School Mass 9:00-10:00 am; Grades

K-1st Prayer Service 10:00 am

September 26: Mission Spirit Day; Picnic With Parents