



Annunciation School Newsletter

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March 4, 2020



A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Psalm 51:12

Dear Parents,

As I have mentioned, our **Diocesan Self-Study** is coming up on Monday, March 16. Representatives from the diocesan education office and other area principals will be here that day to view our self-study report, visit our classrooms, and speak with our students, faculty, and parent representatives. Our faculty and staff have prepared a written self-study report which identifies areas of strength and areas for school improvement in Catholic Identity, Mission/Philosophy, Leadership, Curriculum, Environment, and Physical Plant.

Another part of the self-study process involved sending a survey to our parents. That parent survey was sent out in January and 68% of the 159 families submitted answers. Today I'm sharing with you a link to the results of the survey (*see link below*) so you can see each of the questions and the percentage of responses. I am pleased with the results of the survey as they show that the overwhelming majority of parents are satisfied with our school and what we offer our students. There is always room for improvement and I welcome the feedback provided in the comments section of the survey. I have read through the comments and categorized them and you will see information appearing in upcoming newsletters regarding some of the topics mentioned in the comments section. Here is the link to the **2020 Self-Study Parent Survey**:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Sz6C8xkw5iNzavnRLLeE75ZsM71EniYqp/view?usp=sharing>

Today I will speak on the **Education Commission** because there was low agreement to *Question #3: Education Commission meetings are accessible to parents and guardians*. Per the Catholic Education Office Handbook of Policies and Procedures, the function of the Education Commission "is exclusively consultative (advisory) in nature; final decision-making authority remains with the Pastor". The Commission consults on topics such as establishing new personnel positions (not hiring specific person), setting tuition rates, handbook policy changes, or major curriculum decisions. The Education Commission has eight members who serve three year terms, with a two term or six year limit. The current members include: *Jennifer Burke (Secretary), Aimee Bostrand, Amy Fichtel-Schwartz (President), Kendra Helfer, Steve Hirner, Nicole Lambert, Erika Miller, and Tony Walczak*. One of the main goals of this year's committee was to create a long term strategic plan for the school. The committee drew from their observations, self-study documents, and parent survey to create this plan, which I will share with families in an upcoming newsletter when it is finalized and published. There will be a few vacancies on this committee for 2020-2021. If you are interested in serving on the Education Commission, please contact me or Father Patrick.

This Friday 3/6 is our \$1.00 Dress Down Day and all money raised will benefit the family of Micah White, mother of 3rd grader Gracie and Preschooler Jackson, who passed away on February 16. The money raised will go toward planting a tree on campus this spring in Micah's honor. Any extra money will directly benefit the White children. If you would like to send a check contribution on Friday, please make it out to Annunciation School. Thank you in advance for your support of this wonderful family!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jennifer Wardynski





Hot Lunch Day in March is on **Tuesday, March 17th** and is from **A&W**. If you would like to order hot lunch for your child, you may order and pay online through SchoolSpeak. Orders must be placed online through SchoolSpeak and are due no later than **Thursday, March 12th**.



Dick's Mini Donuts is coming March 11, 2020. Please help support our 8th grade class trip.

Orders will be taken through Friday, March 6, 2020. See the attached order form to print out and turn in with payment. Please mark the outside of your order envelope "Mini Donuts" and enclose payment for Donuts only, please do not combine any other payments. Online orders are available on SchoolSpeak (no order form needed if ordering online). If you order online, you must pay online. Online orders will be taken until Sunday, March 8th.

Home & School Updates:



Walk-a-thon - Thank you all for returning your sponsor sheets and helping ensure this fundraiser is a success.

Congratulations to the **Barocio** Family for winning the Gift Card basket eligible to all families who turned in their sheets on time!

Congratulations to the **Roskuszka** Family for winning the \$100 Visa Gift card eligible to families who turned in 18 or more sponsors on their sheets.

Check out the attached prize list for updates.

Market Day is **back** now with super easy direct home shipping!

Visit <http://www.MarketDaylocal.com> to login or register as a new user. Select Annunciation BVM School and Church and place your order. Flat Rate shipping applies. 10% goes back to the school with each purchase.

Questions/Comments for H&S - Send questions or comments to Annunciation's Home & School committee via email homeandschool@annunciationbvm.org

Another Home & School meeting will be open to all parents in May. Look for details in upcoming newsletters.



Mark your calendars for the Noodles & Co. Fundraiser on Thursday, March 12 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. More information is at the end of the newsletter.



REMINDER to Complete Six Flags Read To Succeed by April 17th!

Six Flags Read to Succeed is a free program that allows students in grades K-6 to earn tickets to Six Flags Great America just by reading six hours for fun.

Here is how your child can earn a free ticket to Six Flags:

- 1) Register using this link: www.sixflags.com/books
- 2) Use Annunciation BVM School's code: WNBRF
- 3) Your child may read any books they choose.
- 4) Keep track of your child's reading.
- 5) Record your child's reading at our website.
- 6) Receive a free Six Flags Great America ticket from Annunciation BVM School in May.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Michele Sojka at msojka@annunciationbvm.org.

Rosary High School has started registration for its summer athletic camps. Rosary offers camps in basketball, cheerleading, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, and volleyball. Go to <https://il.8to18.com/rosary> for more information and to register.

Manna Workers:

Thursday, March 5	Volunteer Needed
Thursday, March 12	Volunteer Needed

Patrol Schedule – Week of March 10

Morning: Jess Seaton and Ian Roskuszka

Afternoon: Aidan Baer, Ayden Assell, Gabrielle Rogers, and Karol Montalvo



Server Schedule:



Thursday, March 5	8:00 a.m.	Delaney Hefke	Anna Hefke
Friday, March 6	8:00 a.m.	Delaney Hefke	Anna Hefke
Saturday, March 7	5:15 p.m.	Jess Seaton	Devin Seaton
Sunday, March 8	7:30 a.m.	Eddie Vera	Aidan Baer
	8:45 a.m.	Luis Garcia	V. Garcia
	10:00 a.m.	Ceci Drudi	P. Novicki
	11:30 a.m.	James Digate	Mia Digate
Monday, March 9	8:00 a.m.	Luis Garcia	Will Schwartz
Tuesday, March 10	8:00 a.m.	Luis Garcia	Will Schwartz
Wed., March 11	8:45 a.m.	Zach Hultgren	Ben Hultgren



Current Prize and Incentive List

As incentives for our children to participate in the Annunciation Walk-a-thon, the following is a current list of prizes and rewards to date. As we receive more sponsorships and prize donations, we will add to the list below. Please check the school newsletter & website for updates.

- Each Student will receive a FREE Walk-A-Thon Day T-shirt just for participating.
- Submit 18 or more sponsor names per family and earn an “out of uniform” pass to be used on February 28th and your name to be entered in a raffle for a \$100 Visa Gift Card! **Congratulations Roskuszka family!**
- For every \$25 in sponsor donations received per family earns one raffle ticket to be entered in a drawing. Winner will receive a family prize – TBD.
- Bring in the highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win an overnight package at Chicago’s Hotel Julian and more family fun TBD.
- Bring in the second highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win an overnight stay at Aurora’s Hampton Inn & Suites with 4 tickets to Kane County Cougars, and 4 family skate passes to Funway!
- Bring in the third highest dollar amount of donations as a family and win 6 general admission passes to Morton Arboretum.
- For all Families that turn in their Walk-A-Thon Packets by **February 19th** will be entered in a raffle for a Gift Card Basket (\$100 Hardware, \$40 Bulldogs Ale House, \$25 Harner’s Bakery). **Congratulations Barocio family!**
- Support your class and participate by returning your sponsor sheet! The class with the highest % of sponsor sheets returned will earn a free Ice Cream Sundae party and dress down day February 28th. In the event of a tie, a drawing will be held to determine the winner! **2nd grade class won with 77%!! Congratulations!**

FUNDRAISER NIGHT.

Eat well and do good—that's the basic recipe with Noodles Fundraising. Join us for the flavors you love while we help our community.



**THURSDAY,
MARCH 12, 2020
4pm-8pm**

**NORTH AURORA
2365 N FARNSWORTH AVE
Aurora, IL 60502**

25 %

of qualifying sales will directly
benefit:
Annunciation BVM School

Only in-restaurant sales will benefit this organization. Guests must mention the organization or show the flyer when ordering.

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Dick's Mini Donuts! Wednesday, March 11, 2020

Please help support our 8th grade class trip!

_____ 4 per bag at \$1.75/ea.

Student Name: _____ Grade _____

Total: \$ _____

Please return to school office by: Friday, March 6, 2020.

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