



St. Joseph Catholic School
Educating the mind, body and spirit since 1894
Secondary Weekly Bulletin
September 17 – September 21, 2018

St. Joseph Catholic School was established to provide a Christian Environment for students, staff and faculty alike that promotes both excellence in education and a spiritual faith formation. As a pastoral instrument of the Church, we intend to respond to the needs of the whole person and to support the spiritual, intellectual, physical and social development of each student. It is also our intention to challenge the students to work to the best of their abilities and to live as Christian examples of faith to one another and to the extended community. We will strive to explore and initiate innovations in education and our faith which will prepare the students to take their place as leaders in a changing and challenging society. St. Joseph Mission Statement

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK:

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS ONLY - ITBS Testing – Students in grades K-8 will be administered the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) the week of September 17 through September 21. The ITBS is a normative assessment which is utilized for diagnostic purposes. That is why we choose to administer the exam in the fall rather than spring. From the test results, the teachers identify the student's strengths and weaknesses and address these needs accordingly. This opportunity allows us to address the areas of need in the middle of the school year, rather than at the end.

Please make sure that your children are getting the appropriate amount of sleep and eating a hearty breakfast in the mornings. All of the testing for the day will be conducted from 8:00am to 11:00am. They will resume regular class after lunch. Please refrain from being late to school or leave school during testing hours.

Home Football Game vs. BVCHEA – Theme "Black Out BVCHEA" Students may wear all black or neon **AFTER Mass**. Since the game is on Thursday night, we will have our spirit dress day on Thursday. **AFTER MASS**, students will be allowed to change into their spirit (all black or neon) attire.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

School Picture Retakes - School picture retakes will be on Tuesday, September 25th at the Elementary Campus and **Thursday, September 27th at the Secondary Campus.**

**Homecoming Week – September 24 through September 29
Theme – DECADES**

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, here are a couple of items to keep in mind:

Deck the Halls will take place on Sunday, September, 23rd 12pm to 3pm. Each high school grade will have the opportunity to decorate their designated hallway in their best DECADES decorations. **Parents and students are responsible for all decorations, and hallways will only be decorated during this time. Prize for the best hallway!**

Deck the Hall Themes:

Seniors – ‘70s

Juniors – ‘50s

Sophomores – ‘80s

Freshmen – 2000s

Homecoming Dresses All dresses must be approved by Mrs. Rayburn no later than one week before the dance. The dresses should NOT be low cut in the front. Bare midriff is NOT allowed. Strapless is okay, but your lower back should NOT be exposed. The length, including slits, should be passed the finger tips or no more than 3 inches above the knee. Mrs. Rayburn must be able to see the front and back of the dress for approval. You can personally show her your dress or send pictures to her email account at rayment@stjosephbcs.org.

Out of School Dates Out of school dates must have the permission form completed and turned in to Mrs. Kleiber at least **ONE** week prior to the dance. Their date must also purchase a ticket. Dates more than one year out of school or over the age of 18 are not permitted. Out of School Date permission forms will be located in the front office within the next week. Out of school female dates, must have their dresses approved by Mrs. Rayburn.

Homecoming Game – The Eagles will take on Covenant Christian - JH @ 5pm and Varsity @ 7pm

Homecoming Dance Tickets – EVERYONE MUST BUY A TICKET

Pre-sale prices = \$10 individual \$15 couple

Door prices = \$15 individual \$20 couple

Ticket sales start Monday, September 10th with Mrs. Tietjen

Homecoming Dance – The dance will take place on Saturday, September 29th at the Parish Activity Center (PAC) from 8pm to 11pm.

REMINDERS:

FISH Program - The start of another school year brings us many opportunities to volunteer for the school. You can apply those hours towards your Family Involvement and Service Hours (FISH).

As a reminder, the Volunteer FISH Program provides opportunities for parents to work together to build a strong community spirit at St. Joseph Catholic School. All elementary families are expected to complete 10 hours of service, while the junior high and high school families are expected to complete 20 hours of service. If you have multiple children, you are required to complete the older child's service requirement. It is important to us to have all our families involved with service along with the opportunity to help us to build our community into one of constant service for others. If your family chooses not to provide fish hours, you will be charged \$12.50 per hour. All hours are due on or before the end of the school year. Students of parents/families not fulfilling their FISH requirements (hours or payment) by that time will not receive their school transcript for the 2018-2019 year.

To submit your hours, email fish@stjosephbcs.org, and in the body of the email please include a concise description along with the number of hours volunteered.

Remember, in order for hours to be applied towards your balance, the hours must be used in service of St. Joseph Catholic School.

Daily Schedule

Monday, September 17 (Enrichment)

- JH and HS Uniform – non dress uniform (**7th and 10th graders ONLY may wear spirit dress for winning the fight song yell at the last pep rally**)
- JH Volleyball vs. KOR – White @ 5pm and Gold @ 6pm

Tuesday, September 18 (JH Enrichment and HS Mass)

- JH Uniform – non- dress uniform
- HS uniform – dress uniform
- HS Volleyball vs. Austin Waldorf – JV @ 5pm and Varsity @ 6pm (**DISTRICT STARTS**)

Wednesday, September 19 (JH Mass and HS Enrichment)

- JH Uniform – dress uniform
- HS Uniform – non dress uniform

Thursday, September 20 (MASS)

- JH and HS Uniform – **dress uniform AFTER MASS, students may change into their black or neon out attire**
- JH Volleyball vs. BVCHEA – Purple @ 4pm
- HS Volleyball vs. Allen Academy – Varsity @ 5:30pm
- HS Football vs. BVCHEA – Kickoff @ 7pm

Friday, September 21 (JH Day of Reflection)

- JH Uniform – jeans and St. Joseph t-shirt
- HS Uniform – non dress uniform

Lunch Menu for the Week:

Monday – Jason’s Deli, baked potato, salad, or PB&J

Tuesday – Double Dave’s, baked potato, salad, or PB&J

Wednesday – Chick fil A, baked potato, salad, or PB&J

Thursday – Buppy’s chicken strips, mashed potatoes, and a cook, baked potato, salad, or PB&J

Friday – Buppy’s cheese quesadillas, rice, lettuce, Queso, and brownie, baked potato, salad, or PB&J

If you have any questions pertaining to the handbook or the weekly bulletin, please email or call me anytime.

Blessings,

Jim Rike

Please remember St. Joseph Catholic School in your prayers, your service, and your gifts. Call us for the many ways you can support Catholic Education now and in the future.

St. Joseph – Pray for us!