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Dear Parents:

The third trimester is on its way and we are heading for the finish line to the school year. Our Awards Day was yesterday and I was thoroughly impressed with the amount of students that received recognition. 75% of our students received Honors certificates and 77% of them reached their Accelerated Reading goal. With the end of the year in sight, please help us keep your children focused on their academics so we can have a strong finish to the school year.

The Everybody Counts Program was held last week and I would like to thank everyone that was involved. The purpose of this program is to educate students about various illnesses and disabilities to foster an understanding and acceptance of others. Be sure to ask your child about these learning experiences.

God Bless!

Sincerely,
Mr. Detzel

2nd Trimester Report Cards Are Available For Viewing - Parents can view their child's report card by doing the following:

- Log on to your Sycamore account
- Go to your student's profile
- Click on documents
- Click on 2017 – 2018 Grade Card – S2
- Click on 2017 - 2018 Grade Card- narrative Only- S2N to view any narrative the teacher(s) may have left.

If you have any questions please ask your child's teacher.

Spring Picture Day – Our Spring Picture Day is Thursday, March 8th. For this day, students are allowed to be out of uniform. Please make sure that they are wearing appropriate clothes and send in the completed form with your child if you wish to order pictures.

Help Needed- 40hrs of Adoration and Devotion - St. Cecilia Parish is looking for Individuals/ Parents, Grandparents and Families to consider spending time with our Eucharist Lord in Adoration from Thursday through Saturday. Consider attending and praying for the continued safety of our school, our community, our families and our children. Pray for peace, for illnesses, or for personal intentions. There are many dates and times available! Will you accept this personal invitation to join Him? Sign up online today via the School and Parish websites. "Day and night Jesus dwells in the Blessed Sacrament because you are the most important person in the world to Him!" (Pope Paul IV, Mysterium Fidei)

Father-Daughter Dance THIS SATURDAY! - St. Cecilia Parish is hosting our Annual Father-Daughter Dance on Saturday, March 10th from 6-9:30pm. The dance is open to Dad's and Daughters of ALL AGES, so dust off those dancing shoes and join us for a night filled with memories in the making! Cost is \$7pp or \$25 for a family rate. Pay at the door.



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Annual Parish Easter egg hunt - St. Cecilia Parish Easter egg hunt is scheduled for Saturday, March 31st at 11:00 a.m. on the Parish grounds. Participation ages are zero to twelve. We hope to see you there!

SCPTO News! - *Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 13th in the cafeteria.* Babysitting will be available. Come find out how the stagette fundraiser went and new things coming up for the end of the year. We are also currently needing a new Vice President for the 2018-2019 school year as Mary Cherry will move up to President. The vice president sits on an executive board of 6 that plans and implements the various activities throughout the school year sponsored by SCPTO. The VP steps up as president the next school year. Its very easy and FUN to be a part of this group. The time commitment is minimal as we all work together. If you'd like more information, contact Karen Bunton at kbunton@stcindependence.org or Maria Hunseder or Mary Cherry.

Congratulations Gabe Reed - Gabe Reed has qualified to compete at the state level competition of the National Geographic Geography Bee! Way to go Gabe!

Academic Team Success at the Regional Level - The Elementary Governor's Cup Regional Competition was held this past week at Kenton Elementary, and our 4th and 5th Quick Recall team took home a trophy for 4th place. We would like to congratulate Leo Resing, Riiey Shelton, Joseph Coutinho, Savannah Weibel, Leah Kramer, Abigail Reed, Nora Deavy, Conner Saalfeld, and Gretchen Phelps who have been working hard since the fall to be able to reach this level of play. Way to go!

Tuition Rates for 2018-2019 – The tuition rates for next school year have been set by the School Finance Committee and are available on the school website.

St. Cecilia Featured on TV – This is the last chance to see St. Cecilia spotlighted on “A Look Into Catholic Education” TV show. Make sure you tune in! The last show will air on **3/10 on Star64 from 10:30am – 11:00am.**

Diocesan Academic Showcase – Good luck to all of our 8th graders who are competing at the Diocesan Academic Showcase at St. Henry on March the 8th.

Stations of the Cross – We invite everyone to join us as we will be doing the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 1:15.

St. Cecilia Fish Fry - Are you looking for a good family-friendly Fish Fry during Lent? Look no further!!! Come by the St. Cecilia Undercroft for one of the most delicious Fish Fry's in the area! We offer Fish Sandwich platters, Baked Cod Platters, 6pc Shrimp, Pizza, Cheese Sticks, Fried Pickles and MORE! Our sides include fries, mac & cheese, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce and assorted desserts! Smaller portions are available for the kids! Platter and kids meals range from \$5-\$9. Parents, are you looking for volunteer opportunities? We can always use an extra hand or two. Contact Adam Reed at adamreed1982@gmail.com for more information! See you on Friday!



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Volleyball Opportunity - 2018 Training Non Travel Program - NKJV will be bringing back their Training Non Travel program this year. This weekly program focuses on serving, serve receive, defense, attacking, and setting. There will be 20 minutes of controller game play to simulate offensive and defensive situations. Jeni Demler, Krista Perkins, and Brooke Merrell will be facilitating the program. The Training Non Travel program will take place each Monday during the months of April and May, and will cost \$80. The times are as follows:

5:30-6:30pm Grades K-3

6:30-7:30pm Grades 4-6

Link for registration can be found on our website: www.nkiv.net

New Immunization Requirements - *Any student that has not yet obtained a **NEW and current immunization certificate**, listing all required shots, must have one prior to the **2018-2019 school year**. The Department of Public Health promulgated a new immunization regulation (effective June 21, 2017) with a new vaccination schedule (effective July 1, 2018). The previous immunization regulation and certificate did not include Hepatitis A. Because the prior certificate did not include Hepatitis A, it can no longer be used for school attendance. The new Certificate was released in the summer of 2017. A copy of the new certificate may be found [here](#). A physician's office may print out an immunization certificate electronically for school attendance as long as the certificate meets all requirements outlined in 902 KAR 2:060. A copy of the regulation may be found [here](#).*

*902 KAR 2:060 requires students to complete the Hepatitis A immunizations prior to the start of 2018-2019 school year. The Kentucky Immunization Program highly encouraged children to receive their first Hepatitis A vaccine prior to the end of January 2018 to allow for the second dose to be given six months later, by the end of July. However, **as long as there is documentation of one Hepatitis A vaccine on the NEW Immunization Certificate with the Provisional Status box checked and an expiration date of 6 months and two week after the first dose of Hepatitis A vaccine, the child may attend school.** The student should receive the second Hepatitis A dose after six months but before the expiration of the Provisional Immunization Certificate and provide the school with an updated immunization certificate.*

If a parent declines to immunize a child based on religious objections, then the parent must complete a sworn and notarized statement found [here](#).

The Kentucky Immunization Program is housed in the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services. For more information, including FAQs ([here](#)), please see the Cabinet for Health and Family Services' Kentucky Immunization Program webpage found [here](#) or via telephone at [502-564-4478](tel:502-564-4478).

Diocesan Ministry Fair – The Diocesan Ministry Fair will be held on March 15th from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. at Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium (1125 Madison Ave., Covington, KY 41011). The theme of the fair is “service”. Organizations in the Diocese of Covington that have opportunities for youth to serve will be invited to participate. For more information contact Deacon Pete Freeman in the Office of Catechesis and Formation at 859-392-1500.



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Academic Corner - Teach Study Skills

Studying for a test can be scary for young kids, and many educators assume parents will help their kids during the grade-school years. Introducing your child to study skills now will pay off with good learning habits throughout life. In elementary school, kids usually take end-of-unit tests in math, spelling, science, and social studies. Be sure to know when a test is scheduled so you can help your child study ahead of time rather than just the night before. You also might need to remind your child to bring home the right study materials, such as notes, study guides, or books.

Teach your child how to break down overall tasks into smaller, manageable chunks so preparing for a test isn't overwhelming. You also can introduce your child to tricks like mnemonic devices to help recalling information. Remember that taking a break after a 45-minute study period is an important way to help kids process and remember information. Your child probably will be introduced to standardized testing in elementary school. While students can't really study for standardized tests, some teachers provide practice tests to help ease students' worries.

Saturday ArtStop classes at The Carnegie If your child is interested in the Saturday ArtStop classes at the Carnegie, please see the attached flier.

Important Dates

3/8/18 - Lifetouch Spring Picture Day
3/8/18 – Diocesan Academic Showcase
3/15/18 - In-School Retreat for Middle School
3/15/18 – 4-H County Speech Competition
3/19/18 – Set up for Academic Fair
3/20/18 – Academic Fair
3/29/18 – 4/8/18 – Spring Break!

Have a wonderful rest of the week!