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Dear Parents:

Just a quick reminder that tomorrow is our Fall Picture Day. For this picture day, all students must be in regular dress code. If you haven't done so already, please make sure your child brings his/her order form with them tomorrow.

Our first MAP testing of the year is in full swing. The MAP Growth Test has, over the years, become increasingly popular among schools in the United States. MAP's unique quality lies in its measuring of students' personal academic progress. MAP testing scores chart a student's academic growth in a manner that is easy for both parents and teachers to understand. I have attached a FAQ's sheet to give you some more information regarding MAP testing. Please make sure that your child is getting plenty of sleep and eating a nutritious breakfast so that he/she can perform at their best.

God Bless!

Sincerely,
Mr. Detzel

Drop-Offs and Pick-Ups - Thanks again to everyone for their cooperation with our drop-off and pick-up procedures. With some 3rd and 4th grade students being dropped-off at the back of the building, we ask that you please stay in line and do not pass cars after you have dropped-off your children. Some students do get out on the driver's side and it could be dangerous if you try to pass other cars. The wait should be minimal and we thank you for your cooperation.

St. Cecilia Basketball Sign-Ups - St. Cecilia basketball registration is now open for all St. Cecilia students for the 2018/2019 season. The deadline to register is September 21st. Registrations after September 21st will be accepted on an as-needed basis and will include a late fee. Access the registration website at <https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=689223> If you are a first time user of the software, you will need to create an account (You only need to create one account per family, and from that account you can register multiple participants.) Registration prior to September 21 is \$85 per child with a family maximum of \$175. Please send any questions to sports@StCIndependence.org.

Lifetouch Fall Picture Day - The Lifetouch Fall Picture Day is this Thursday, September 13th. Fliers went home in last Wednesday's folder. For this picture day, everyone must be in school uniform.

First SCPTO Meeting - The first St. Cecilia Parent Teacher Organization meeting will be next Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. There will be **free babysitting** and a chance to win a \$500 scholarship. The first Walk-a-thon meeting will take place immediately following the SCPTO meeting. They are in need of volunteers for the Walk-a-thon, so please attend this meeting if possible.



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YOU'RE INVITED TO CELEBRATE WITH US ON 10/19! - Thank you to all of our students, parents, families, faculty and staff who helped in any way to make our Centennial Festival the amazing weekend that we knew it would be! It was HOT, it was crowded, but it was PHENOMENAL! Our CRUSADER families are THE BEST! **Please make plans to join us on Friday, October 19th in the Church Undercroft to celebrate the successes of our labors.** There will be complementary dinner, drinks, beer, door prizes and fun for all! Mark it on your calendar today, everyone is invited! Lastly, we want to hear the good, the bad, and the ugly. Share your feedback with us on what you thought worked or could be tweaked regarding your festival experience. We truly value your thoughts and this is a great way for us to improve or enhance the festival as a whole. Contact Cherri Pretty at cpretty@zoomtown or Karen Schultz at karenschultz1214@gmail.com with your comments. Thank you again!

St. Cecilia Youth Choir – A reminder that we are starting rehearsals tonight, September 12th from 5:30-6:30PM in the church, but new members are welcome at any time. All students in grades 2 and up are invited to participate. Interested students should arrive with a parent by 5:30 to sign a permission slip. Parents or students can contact Marnie Lemma with any questions at Mlemma@stcindependence.org

Future Indians Nights - COME CHEER ON OUR HOLY CROSS STUDENT ATHLETES!

*1 adult admitted FREE with a Future Indian (all grades welcome) *Arrive early & join players for introductions & the National Anthem *FREE HC giveaways *Bring a friend

~Thursday, September 20th

Boys Soccer v Calvary Christian 5:15pm @ Eva G Farris(home)

~Friday, September 28th

Boys Football v Holmes 7pm @ Holmes (home game)

~Wednesday, October 3rd

Girls Volleyball v Scott Varsity 7:30pm @ Finn Center (home)

YOUTH BASKETBALL MINI-CAMP AT HCHS - Holy Cross High School is hosting a youth basketball mini-camp on Saturday, September 29th from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM for boys and girls in grades 1-4 and from 2:00-6:00 PM for boys only in grades 5-8 in the Holy Cross gym, 36th & Church Streets, Covington, KY. The cost is \$30 each (no refunds). For more information and to register, go to hcindiansbasketball.com or contact Coach Brandon Grammer at 859-409-2944 or at hcindiansbball@gmail.com.

Green Dot Bystander Training – The William E. Durr Library is conducting a Green Dot Bystander Training for grades 6-12/ages 11-18. A green dot is any choice someone makes to stop a situation of bullying, violence, or assault from playing out. The interactive training is for teens interested in talking about issues they see among their peers, learning realistic ways to stop violence, and exploring ways they can use their voices to make changes in whatever space they are in (school, church, online, etc.). Snacks, lunch, and prizes will be provided and it is all FREE! The event will take place on Saturday, September 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact the William E. Durr Library with any questions.



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Academic Corner - Independent Reading

- The single factor most strongly associated with reading achievement—more than socioeconomic status or any instructional approach—is independent reading!
- For students of equal ability, the more avid reader will receive higher grades in all subjects than the less avid reader.
- “Regular reading not only boosts the likelihood of individual academic success—facts that are not especially surprising—but it also seems to awaken a person’s social and civic sense.” –“To Read or Not to Read” NEA, 2007
- Books in the home are as important as parents’ educational level in determining the level of education children will attain.

Important Dates

9/13/18 – Fall Picture Day

9/18/18 – First SCPTO Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria

9/28/18 – Grandparents Day