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September 11, 2019

St. Cecilia Community:

Thank you to all who were able to attend last night's parent orientation. We hope you found it informative, practical and took advantage of meeting some new and old faces. For those of you who were unable to attend, please, let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

I can speak for our staff in saying we look forward to working with you to help in the formation of your children in their faith and academics among other things. Our number one priority is to help your child get to heaven. The great MAP scores, the new addition, developing extra-curricular activities and academic offerings are all byproducts of the St. Cecilia community being rooted in their Faith in Christ. Things will not always be perfect, but the growth of our students, faculty, and school will further develop if we keep perspective in our mission.

I again ask that the bottom dismissal lot near the undercroft of the church use caution when leaving. If you are sending a grandparent, babysitter, or someone else to pick up your children, please, educate them on the process of the pickup. Everyone is to wait to leave until the teachers give the all clear signal. Thank you again for your help with keeping our kids safe.

Early next week, we will be walking through some of our safety drills. This will include fire, severe weather, earthquake, and active threat. These drills are unfortunate, but necessary in the protection of our children. Age appropriate language will be chosen in this educational process. I will send out more information in a separate, later email concerning this topic.

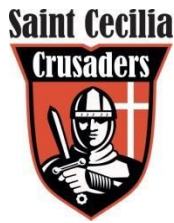
There is A LOT of information below regarding reminders, upcoming events, and more. Thank you for your support through our first full week!

*God Bless!*

Gratefully,  
Kenny Collopy - Principal

**Reminders:**

- Please, keep current on your Virtus bulletins. August required a video to watch. Without being current, you will not be able to volunteer in any way with the children.
- Please, turn in your school paperwork if you have yet to do so that was sent home last week ASAP. There is important information required from you that we need.
- Please, turn in your t-shirt order forms that were also sent home last week ASAP.



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### **Construction News**

- The Media Center is nearing completion with the finishing of furniture. Library class has been taking place in the computer lab in the meantime. We hope to relocate within the next week or so.
- The drive down to the gym entrance has been blacktopped, but they are finalizing the surface. We will send out a notification when this is safe to drive on. For now, this drive will not be used for any sort of dropoff or pick up for the school day.

### **Important Upcoming Dates**

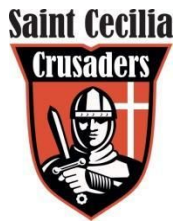
- September 13-27 - MAP Testing
- September 19, Thursday - 7pm - SCPTO Meeting
  - We are in need of volunteers to help plan the walk-a-thon. If you would like to help plan, please stay after this meeting.
- September 20, Friday - 8:15am - All School Mass
  - Kindergarteners will attend and Parents are invited
- September 20, Friday 6pm-9:30pm - Kids Night Out, Back to School Bash - More details below
- September 24-27 - Book Fair
- September 27, Friday - Grandparents Day
- October 1, Tuesday - Villa Madonna visits Middle School at St. Cecilia
- October 9, Wednesday - 5th & 6th Grade Sanitation District Field Trip
- October 10, Thursday - Holy Cross visits Middle School at St. Cecilia
- October 11, Friday - Walk-a-thon!
- October 11-13 - Youth 2000

### **Extra-curriculars & More:**

- Middle School Quick Recall Teams are Forming. Students in grades 6 through 8 have received forms with details about joining the Middle School Quick Recall teams. Students interested in the 6th grade team will begin practices on Thursday, September 12th, and those students interested in the Junior Varsity and Varsity teams will begin practices on Wednesday, September 11th. All team practices will run from 2:15 – 3:15 in the fifth grade homeroom. Mrs. Wuestefeld will be coaching the students this year. If you would like more information please contact Mrs. Wuestefeld at [kwuestefeld@stcindependence.org](mailto:kwuestefeld@stcindependence.org)
- Box Tops has gone Digital! Please refer to the flyer included in the family folder this week for more details on how you can help St. Cecilia earn money for our school. We will be having a contest the last week of this month. ( September 23-27th) Send in all clipped box tops with your child's name and grade. If you have gone digital already just let me know and I will include your child/children in our daily drawing for prizes. If you have any questions you can contact me at [klipscomb@stcindependence.org](mailto:klipscomb@stcindependence.org)

### **Quote of the Week**

“Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving.” - Albert Einstein



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### **Community Information & Opportunities**

- Our Kids Night Out, Back to School Bash is coming soon on Friday, September 20th from 6pm-9:30pm! See all your favorite Crusader friends and enjoy an evening full of games and fun times!! Weather permitting, we may have water games so be prepared to get wet! Ages 1-12yrs old welcome to attend. \$10pp. When registering please include the age of your child. Pizza, drinks, and snacks will be provided. Any questions, contact Karen Bunton at kbunton@stcindependence.org.
- Oktoberfest St. Cecilia is coming soon! The time is now to mark your calendars for Saturday, October 19th as our annual celebration will have all things German! Chicken dancing, yodelers, beer stein holding, amazing food including spaetzle, bratwurst, sauerkraut, pretzels, Limburger cheeses, strudels, cream puffs and more! There will be plenty of Oktoberfest lager, so when the beer starts flowing and the food starts grilling, you'll know its time to click your glasses for a hearty "Prost!" Tickets go on sale on Friday, September 13th via the School or Parish website. Tickets are only \$35pp/\$60cpl and include dinner and all the draft beer you can handle! Sponsorships are also available. Limited seating available, so gather your friends together and get your tickets early! "Lass uns feiern", Let's celebrate!
- YOUTH BASKETBALL MINI-CAMP AT HCHS
  - Holy Cross High School youth basketball mini-camp will be held Saturday, September 21 from 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon in the Holy Cross gym, 36th& Church Streets, Covington, KY, for boys and girls in grades 2-8. The cost is \$25 each (no refunds). For more information, registration forms or to register online, go to hcindiansbasketball.com or contact Coach Brandon Grammer at 859-409-2944 or at hcindiansbball@gmail.com.
- HOLY CROSS YOUTH NIGHTS:
  - HC VOLLEYBALL TUESDAY, OCT 8TH 7:30pm @ The Finn Center~ Arrive early to stand with players during pregame!
- Holy Cross school cafeteria in Latonia, serving students in grades K-12, has an opening for a part-time worker. Duties include food preparation, serving line, and cleanup for four hours per day, Monday through Friday. Interested individuals may contact Jacking Kaiser by email at jkaiser@covdio.org, or call 859/392-1500.