

September 11, 2019

St. Cecilia Community:

Thank you to everyone who made our drill day on Monday a good experience for the students. Our Faculty & Staff did a great job of leading, educating, and protecting our students. It is unfortunate that such drills must be practiced, but we do so for the sake of having as much control as possible in such situations.

Opening School Mass is this Friday, September 20th at 8:15am. School attendance will be K-8 and I invite parents to join us in celebration and thanks of the school year.

If your son or daughter is not involved in an extracurricular activity, I hope you will urge them to take advantage of some of the great programs we offer including Creative Crafters, Pokemon Club, Chess Club, Computer Club, Athletics and more. These opportunities are a great way for learning to flourish beyond the classroom.

One thing I have been stressing to students is the idea of getting just a little bit better every single day. This goes for our faith, academics, social life and across the board, but working toward small gains daily add up in a very big way over time. Have a dream, but plan and focus on small goals that will get you there.

There is plenty 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.
- SCPTO Meeting is tomorrow, Thursday, September 19th at 7:30pm in the School Cafeteria. Please, note the time of the meeting as I originally sent out the wrong time. Future meetings will be held in the Media Center. 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.

Quote of the Week

"Be faithful in the small things because it is in them that your strength lies." - St. Teresa of Calcutta



Construction News

- The Media Center space is now functional! Thank you to the volunteers who made the beautiful shelves and to those who organized all of the books. Your talent and time is greatly appreciated! To keep the place looking good, we ask that no food or drink be brought into the space.
- The drive down to the gym entrance has been finished, but this will be restricted to construction traffic only until further notice.
- Finishing details like step gripping, furniture, improving door fixtures and more are being finished up. The next major focus will be the gym. We will keep you up to date on this progress.

Important Upcoming Dates

- September 13-27 MAP Testing
- September 19, Thursday 7:30pm SCPTO Meeting
- September 20, Friday 8:15am All School Mass
 - o 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 7am-2pm Joseph Beth Book Fair
 - Please look for flier in this Wednesdays Folder!
- 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:

- 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
- 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.
- St. Cecilia basketball registration is now open for all St. Cecilia students for the 2019/2020 season. The deadline to register is September 25th. Registrations after September 25th will not be accepted unless needed to fill a team 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 is \$85 per child with a family maximum of \$175. Please send any questions to sports@StCIndependence.org.



Community Information & Opportunities

- 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 are on sale now via the School or Parish website. 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! Need a sitter? No worries, FREE BABYSITTING is included in your ticket price. Pre-registration is required (ages 0-12yrs).
- 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!