Immaculate Conception School News

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2:00 Dismissal on Wednesday, April 13th

Just a reminder ICS will dismiss at 2:00 on Wednesday, April 13th. We will stagger dismissals starting at 1:45. *Easter Break is Thursday, April 14th through Tuesday, April 19th.* We hope everyone has a blessed Easter and we'll see you back in school on Wednesday, April 20th.

"Building our Future in Faith - Bring the Mission Forward"

Hope to see you Sunday, May 1 at 1:30 pm for our Launching Event! All school and parish families should be receiving an invitation from Mr. Frakes. This is a complimentary meal and program for all. Special children's meals and activities will be provided. **Please return your reservation to the school office by Friday, April 22nd.** Our Architects will make a presentation of the new gymnasium for everyone to see for the first time!

Thank you

I wanted to thank everyone for coming out and supporting this year's ICS auction! It was a huge success and couldn't be possible without you. A special Thank you to Cece McVey for leading the charge and all of those that helped her organize this great event. We are truly grateful and blessed!

22/23 ICS Registration Deadline is today!!!

Registration for the 2022-23 school year is open! You received an email several weeks ago to begin the process! Registration is open for our current families before we open up to the public to ensure your enrollment if you choose to return. Please know we will cap classroom sizes as we have in the past.

Please keep this in mind if you plan on returning to ICS next year.

The deadline to register for current ICS families is today, Friday, April 8th.

Please know you can still register after this date, but if a class is already full you will be put on a waiting list. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mrs. Steele at steeled@immaculate-conception.net or call the school office at 734-6037. Thank you

SERENATA DRIVE-THRU DINNER

The ICS Serenata Dinner will be on Friday, April 22nd, from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Jump in the car and drive through at ICS for some delicious food prepared by Jalisco Mexican Restaurant! Adult ticket \$12 - includes 3 ground beef soft shell tacos, rice, and beans. Child ticket \$8 - includes 2 ground beef soft shell tacos, rice,

and beans. Fair share points are available via cash donation, shifts worked, and ticket sales. Contact Mrs. Simmons with questions at fsimmons@immaculate-conception.net

Totus Tuus

So, what is it? Totus Tuus is a weeklong event in which young people encounter Christ and his love through games, skits, and energetic talks by college students and seminarians. On Monday through Friday during the day, 1st-6th graders participate in fun, high-energy activities, attend Mass every day, and learn from the team about the mysteries of the rosary and the teachings of the church. Sunday through Thursday evening during the teen program 7th-12th graders play games, talk about their faith and challenges to living it out, and spend time in adoration and confession encountering the awesome mercy of God.

Here is how registration will work: If your child attended Totus Tuus last year, you will receive a reminder call & email by May 1st to register for this year's session. *If you did not attend before or have questions, please fill out the attached Google form to start the process.* Make sure to get Totus Tuus on your calendar because everyone who registers by May 31 will receive a free Totus Tuus t-shirt! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLScQ2yVkAaVRJ6c9Am4uCqoE3_dR32DSwy7gKbAFVpWltzZvJg/viewform?usp=sf_link

NO M/R BUSES THE WEEK OF APRIL 11TH - 15TH

Just a reminder that there will be no M/R buses the week of April 11th through the 15th due to M/R being on Spring break. Please make arrangements for alternate transportation.

Spalding Scholarship Application Deadline approaching, April 29, 2022

Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2022-2023 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades Kindergarten through 12th in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are active members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed. Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org under *Catholic Education* and then under *Financial Assistance*. Consult the detailed protocols and procedures and checklist for all requirements necessary to be eligible for an award.

Parents must apply online at: online.factsmgt.com/aid. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for the 2022-2023 school year must reapply. Notification of grant awards will be made by the end of June 2022.

Another funding opportunity is also available due to the Invest in Kids Act legislation in Illinois. Students may be eligible for up to 100% of tuition and fees under a new program for tax credit scholarships (TCS). Details on how to apply and who qualifies are available on the Empower Illinois website at www.empowerillinois.org.

Students who receive a TCS are ineligible to receive a Spalding award.

We recommend that you fill out the Spalding application as a back up if you have already applied for Empower Illinois. Empower is funded through generous donors and the funds available change yearly. Also, FACTS Grant and Aid is how ICS determines internal scholarship awards.

"Field Trip Season" Safe Environment for Parent Volunteers

It's great to be able to have families come into the school and help with children's room parties, volunteering and chaperoning field trips. Which means it is time to get your required forms completed for the dioceses. Please remember you will need to create an account CMGConnect to register, complete the "Safe Environment Training", fill out a CANTS background check and criminal background check through Selection. These are all requirements by the Diocese to be involved with the children.

If you have already created an account please login to see if you are missing any required features.



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