

Welcome to a New School Year

It was great to see all of the ICS students and families back this week as we get the 2020/21 school year underway. We appreciate your patience and support as we start a school year like no other. There have been a few bumps in the road and I am sure we will run into a few more. All of us at ICS are adjusting and learning daily to these new procedures and protocols and I think our students and staff did a great job! We need to continue to stay positive and support our students, staff, and families as we navigate these ever-changing times.

Medical requirements reminder

If you have a student that is new to our school. Please be reminded that we need a copy of the official county Birth Certificate and a current School Physical Examination. A dental exam is required for Kindergarten, 2nd Grade & 6th Grade. Eye exams are required for Kindergarten before October 15th. Students entering Kindergarten or 6th grade are required to have a school physical by their family physician by October 15th.

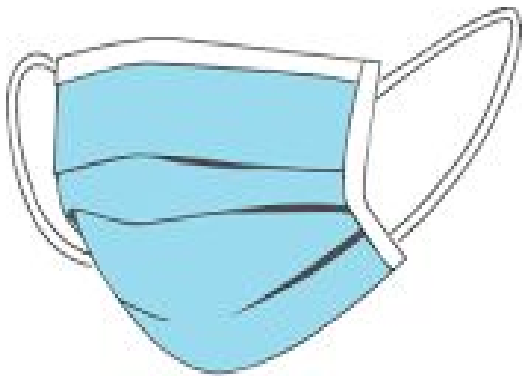
Also, if your student needs an inhaler or takes a required medication prescribed from a doctor, we will need to have this information from their doctor. [Permission for Administration of Medication](#)

Mask reminders

Like I mentioned above I thought the students did a great job overall with wearing their masks. I understand that this is a transition for them especially the amount of time that they need to have it on. Students are getting safe masks breaks when needed and outside as much as we can. We were fortunate to get great weather this week. We pray that continues. **Please remember that students need to wear masks, the neck gaiters are not allowed at this time.**

Options for masks:

Disposable



Cloth Masks:



COVID reminders

As we started this week with the first few days of school parents received emails from the school about two COVID incidents. I want to remind parents of the following:

- If anyone in your household has been tested for COVID and is waiting on results the child/ren in that family needs to stay home until a negative test result is confirmed.

For your reference, some of the common symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- fever of 100.4 degrees;
- loss of taste/smell;
- fatigue/achy muscles;
- sinus/nasal;
- sore throat;
- nausea/vomiting/diarrhea;
- cough; and
- shortness of breath.

If you or your child(ren) display(s) any of the symptoms stated above, or if you have any questions, it is recommended that you contact your physician/pediatrician for further instruction

2020-21 Fair Share Contract

What's the deal with the 20/21 Fair Share contracts? That is a great question! Here is a partial answer for you. Under our current circumstances and guidelines, some of our usual fundraisers will not be able to take place. We are looking into alternative fundraising ideas that are safe and effective to raise funds. In regards to how many fair share points need to be earned, that is a topic we are discussing at this time. I think it is safe to say we will need to make some adjustments. The need to raise those funds is still there - it's just a matter of a realistic goal.

There are still some ways to earn Fair Share points that we can do at this time. Those would be the following:

- **Room Parent** - Although at this time parents may not be able to enter the building we believe there may be some creative ways to have a room parent for each class
- **Club's Choice (Spring)** - This is when our students sell different food items, which can predominantly be done online and by calling those you know to sell
- **Concession Stand** - At this time we plan on having some extracurricular activities starting in January. The season will be shorter and the number of points earned will change but still an opportunity.
- **ICS Auction** - The ICS auction is our biggest fundraiser and we plan to have the 20/21 auction in the Spring. I am not sure what it will look like, but the event needs to take place to help our school stay open.

As we find new ideas to fundraise and ways for parents to earn fair share points we will communicate those with you. These fundraisers truly help the school survive from a financial standpoint and keep tuition increases to a minimum. Tuition and fundraisers pay for student materials, staff salaries, and keep our building operating. We truly appreciate your patience and assistance.

ICS Auction

The 2019/20 ICS Auction that was scheduled for Saturday, August 22nd has been postponed! We thought with the start of school this week it would be in the best interest of everyone's sanity to postpone until a later time. We will be meeting over the coming weeks and have a new auction date and format information to everyone soon!

Mass on Thursdays!

As we see a lot of changes this school year one more is now having Mass on Thursdays. The students did an awesome job this week and it was great to gather again in the house of the lord! Please remember the dress code

for this day is navy blue polo with ICS crest and Khaki pants or skirt. We appreciate your attention to this.

School Pictures change of date!

School pictures will be on *Friday, September 4th*, which is right around the corner! This year ICS will continue with Lifetouch for school pictures. We will send more information out next week. If you go to the following link you can place your order with code: EVTCF9SK7 mylifetouch.com

ICS is an Asbestos Managed School

By law, we are required to remind you that Immaculate Conception School is an asbestos managed school. Graves Environmental of Moline inspects the school on a regular basis. If you have any questions about this matter, our asbestos books are available for your inspection

Bulletin Link

[Church Website and Bulletin](#)

[ICS Calendar](#)



Jesus I Trust in You!