



August, 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome to all of our Sacred Heart School families! We are happy you are a part of the SHES community and we look forward to a wonderful year with your children.

FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENTS

On June 17th, Sr. Rosemarie Schwartz, was suddenly drawn into the arms of the God she served so faithfully for 38 years as a member of the Congregation of St. Joseph. We want to celebrate her life, her music, the church and children that she loved so dearly. A Prayer of Memory will take place in church on Friday, September 1st at 9:15 for children in grades 2-8. Parents are most welcome to attend.

We warmly welcome the following staff members who are joining us this year:

Mrs. Erica Acklin will be teaching the second graders along with Mrs. Hahn.

Mr. Lucas Beaver will be our music education teacher for all of the SH students.

Additionally, Mrs. April Garfinkel, Mrs. Diane Hurkmans and Mrs. Melissa Guetta will be our trusted kindergarten aides. Mrs. Kelly Guzzo and Mrs. Patty Flaherty will be assisting Mrs. Caligiuri with the four-year-old preschool program on alternate days.

Mrs. Rodgers will be on an extended family leave for a personal matter. She apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause, but trusts that your questions and concerns will be addressed very competently in her absence. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.

DRINKING WATER TESTED

In an effort to be proactive with regard to lead contaminants in city water supply, we had our water lines tested this summer. On June 6, AGX Inc. Environmental Consultants tested 42 samples collected from designated drinking water and cooking use fixtures and faucets in the school, Activities Building and auditorium for lead concentrations. The results of all forty-two samples were well below the EPA Drinking Water in Schools guidelines.

SAVE THESE DATES:

- **Thurs., Aug. 31 - New Student Band Meeting (7:00 in Band Room)**
Mrs. Traugh will meet with students in grades 4-8 and their parents in the Band Room. Your children will create beautiful music in this lovely space. Please enter the Band Room by way of the Bishop Winter Conference Center on Alder St.
- **Mon., Sept. 11 - Patriots Day Observance (9:10)**
Sacred Heart and DePaul School children and teachers will observe this important day. Simultaneously five separate mixed age groups will gather around the five flags on or around our property to honor our country's heroes and heroines. You are welcome to join us at one of the five flags: Sacred Heart School, Hunt Armory, McCabes Funeral Home, DePaul School, and Calvary Episcopal Church.
- **IOWA Achievement Tests will be administered in the mornings during the week of Sept. 11-19.**
Please do not schedule appointments for your child during those mornings.

- Thurs., Sept. 21 (6:30) Parent/Teacher Open House – Gr. K-5
Parents are invited to join teachers at the SHES Open House in the cafeteria. Classroom visits with teachers follow.
- Thurs., Sept. 28 (6:30) Parent/Teacher Open House - Gr. 6-7-8
Parents are invited to join teachers at the SHES Open House in the cafeteria. Classroom visits with teachers follow.

UNIFORM DEPARTMENT:

As you shop for school this month, a few dress code reminders will help everyone.

Girls: Solid-colored headbands (red, black, navy, white) or school plaid headbands only are acceptable.

Girls: Required: Solid colored knee socks, ankle socks, or tights (white, red, navy, black)

Boys and Girls: Logos, other than the Sacred Heart School logo, are not permitted on clothing (socks, shirts, sweaters, Polos) worn during classes.

Socks: “No-show” socks, low cut crew socks and over the knee socks are **not** permitted.

Shoes: Required: Solid-colored black, brown, tan or navy dress shoes with dark soles. Stripe and plaid trim designs are not acceptable. Shoes should be non-athletic and should not rise above the ankle.

Boys: Required: Solid colored (white, navy, black, tan) dress socks or crew/ankle socks

The **Uniform Room** on the cafeteria level of the school has many skirts, jumpers, pants, etc. that may serve your children’s needs.

MAGAZINE SALE

The Magazine Kick-Off is on Wed., Aug. 30th. One packet of information per family will be sent home with your oldest child that day. Please read the information and place orders by Sept. 18th.

The Sacred Heart School Endowment Fund benefits by receiving 40% of every sale. Last year we sold **1,020** subscriptions, yielding \$12,000 for the Fund. Melissa Mlecko will chair this fundraiser and will be happy to answer questions. (mlecko@gmail.com)

CELL PHONES & ELECTRONIC DEVICES:

When children bring electronic devices of any kind to school, they are placed in a container and kept at the office until the end of the day. The child’s name must be on the item. Please refer to the Handbook for regulations regarding electronics. All devices should be turned OFF.

CAFETERIA NEWS:

The cost for breakfast will remain at \$1.00. The lunch prices remain the same as last year.

\$45.00 per month \$11.25 - 1 strip of 5 tickets \$2.25 per day if paying cash 50 cents - milk

All checks or cash payments should be sent to school in an envelope marked with your child’s name, homeroom and the amount enclosed. If your child has an allergy intolerance, a note from your child’s doctor is needed in order for substitutions to be made. Please send a formal request to Mrs. Maola, Cafeteria Manager.

OTHER NEWS:

The After School fee has been increased to \$4.25 and hour.

Please remember to label lunch boxes and clothing (hats, glove, jackets and shoes). Check our “Lost and Found” Department in the cafeteria when something goes missing. It’s amazing what finds a home there.

The school office needs a **Parent Lunch Form** from every family. Please return as soon as possible.

We look forward to seeing you at the end of August. Blessings to you and your families.

Sr. Lynn

