



St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School Newsletter

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Our Mission: To Teach, Love, Live and Learn as Jesus Did
Our Vision: Share Faith, Serve Others, Seek Knowledge

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back! On behalf of our Pastor, Father Tom Shoemaker, our Associate Pastors, Father James and Father Dennis, our Assistant Principals, Sr. Genevieve and Mr. Hoersten, and all of our Faculty and Staff, I am glad to have you all here with us. Our teachers and maintenance staff have been working hard to have the school ready for the students, and I thank them for doing a wonderful job of it. We have an exciting first month of school ahead of us, and I expect an excellent year of learning and spiritual growth overall.

We will continue to send a Parent Newsletter home almost every Friday, so please read through the information carefully, as we try to share as much information as possible with our students and their families.

Also, please plan on attending the Home And School Association, HASA, Back-to-School Night next Thursday. We are all looking forward to seeing you. Thank you for choosing our school, and thank you, especially, for your children. Sincerely - Rob S.

2018-2019 Volunteer Online Sign-Up: We have moved to an online sign-up format for volunteering for events throughout the school year. These volunteer opportunities are open to parents and parishioners over the course of the school year. We seek and appreciate any volunteering you may be able to do. Please take a look! Go to the volunteer sign-up link at [St. Charles Volunteer Packet 2018](#). Contact the school office if you need a paper copy.

HASA/BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT, THURSDAY, AUGUST 16th, 7:00 PM IN CHURCH! **ALL PARENTS SHOULD ATTEND!**

Our HASA/Back-to-School Night will be held in the Church again this year. This is a night for parents. We ask that, if possible, the children not attend, as this is more of an informational format geared towards adults/parents. I realize that leaving the children at home may not be possible for some families, in which case, of course you are welcome to bring the little ones. At 7:00 p.m., all parents are asked to come to the Church where Father Shoemaker and I will welcome you. Our agenda will then move forward with school-related business. When the program is finished, all parents will go to their children's rooms. Junior high parents are invited to stay in the Church for a brief presentation from the junior high teachers.

As parents of students in grades K and grade 1 have already had a parent orientation night, they will not need to visit the classrooms. After the program in the Church, parents of grades 1 and K are welcome to check out the various groups who will set up displays in the cafeteria (Scouts, SCRIP, CardinalFest, Girls on the Run, etc.). All teachers, grades 2-8, will open their classrooms for parent visitation. We will have three (10 minute) sessions of visitation with a five-minute passing period between the three sessions. Our resource teachers, and those who teach music, art, computers, physical education, and Spanish, will also be available for visits. Mrs. Knox, our librarian, will also be available in the library. The evening should be over by 8:45 p.m. Please realize you are all members of HASA, so we hope to see you there. Every year, I am thankful for the extent of good work that our HASA accomplishes. Here is a partial list of the good work in which HASA is involved: *Coordinating Volunteers Each Year *Curriculum Resources *Student & Teacher Recognition & Awards *Spirit Shop *Special Persons' Day *Playground Equipment & Maintenance *Catholic Schools' Week Activities *Tuition Assistance *Marketing & Enrollment Activities *School Directory Printing *Student Field Trips

Obviously, you do good work and should be proud of our Home And School Association. After we meet in Church on Wednesday evening, there will be signup sheets available in the cafeteria for visiting parents to initialize. If parents attend the meeting, then their children will be allowed to "dress down" on Monday, August 20th. Students of grades Pre-K, Kindergarten, and 1st grade may automatically have a dress down day on August 20th, as their parents already attended orientation on August 7th. I look forward to seeing everyone in Church next Thursday.

STUDENTS - ARRIVE TO HOMEROOMS BY 7:50 a.m. EACH MORNING. Tardies Marked After 7:50am

To ensure that your child is in their classroom by 7:50 a.m. parents should be dropping off no later than 7:45 a.m. This is a parent responsibility as our students are not yet of driving age:) Please parents, do not cause stress for your children. Leave home in plenty of time to get to school. If you are currently cutting it close, I suggest beginning your entire morning routine 15 minutes earlier. The initial shock will soon become habit, and this will ensure that your children, and you, are not always in a stressful rush. Five tardy arrivals requires a student to serve an after-school detention. So please, be prepared, be calm, and be early!

BE A TEAM PLAYER - NO LEFT TURNS AFTER MORNING DROP OFF & AFTERNOON DISMISSAL

Doing so backs up traffic and creates some dangerous situations as people are gambling to pull out into heavy traffic. The cafeteria doors are open at 7:20 a.m., so you may want to drop off earlier to avoid the crush between 7:40-7:45 a.m. I thank everyone for your cooperation in dropping students off in the morning. As a drop off reminder, I do ask that students be prepared to get out of vehicles quickly when their turn comes to disembark. Parents, if students are having problems getting out of the car (upset, seat belt won't release, backpack problems, etc.) and the issue will take a while, please just pull into a parking spot so that you have the time you need and the line can keep flowing. Overall, great job so far! Thanks!

AUGUST CALENDAR UPDATE

Aug.	14	School Board meeting 7:00 pm Hession Center room C
	15	Feast of the Assumption of Mary (Holy Day) students attend 8:15 am Mass
	16	Magazine Sale/Yankee Candle Sale "kicks-off"
	16	HASA meeting and Back-To-School Night 7:00 pm in CHURCH
	24	Installation of Student Council at 8:15 Mass
	28	Magazine Sale/Yankee Candle Sale "turn-in" day 1
	28	Beginning Orchestra Parent Meeting and Instrument Fitting 6:00 pm in Hession Center Room A/B
	29	Fine Arts Booster Meeting 7:00 pm Hession Center room A
	31	School Plant Show

SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND DELAYS

St. Charles announces our own school weather delays and closings. St. Charles will post delay and closing announcements on the local ABC, NBC, and CBS television stations. We will also use SchoolMessenger to push out text and/or email messages to each family. Additionally, our school website, will have an alert message posted with the latest delays or closings and the message will be on our school phone as a recorded message.

SCHOOL LITURGIES

Our school liturgy schedule is as follows (Mass 8:15 AM). Parents are welcome to attend the 8:15 AM Mass if your schedule permits.

Tuesday Grades 3, 4, 5

Wednesday Grades 1, 2

Thursday Grades 6, 7, 8

Friday All Grades 1-8 (PreK and Kindergarten will join once a month at first)

Parking Lot Notes:

If your parking needs have changed over the summer and you no longer need your parking spot, please send an email to parkinglot@stcharlesschoolfw.org. If yours is sitting empty, please let us know, so we can pass it on. Finally, please remember to be kind and courteous to everyone in the lots. We all have somewhere to be after school each day and would like to arrive safely. Thank you for your cooperation!

CARPOOL NEEDED

The parents of Dakota Tadsen (grade 7) and Elijah Tadsen (Kindergarten) are in need of a carpool for getting the kids to and from school 1-2 days a week starting the week of October 22nd until the end of the year. They live in Shordon Estates Addition off of East State and Maysville (by Golden Years Nursing Home). The parents can reciprocate by taking your children to and from school on the opposite days. Please text or call the mother, Shelley Kammer, (260-423-2483 if you can help.

BAND ORCHESTRA CHOIR HAND CHIMES

Students in grades 5-6-7-8 may sign up for band, choir, hand chimes, and orchestra. Please see the end of this newsletter for details and form. Grade 2-8 students may sign up for orchestra. Details about the beginning orchestra are at the end of this newsletter and a parent meeting is Tuesday, August 28.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL LUNCHEON

Thank you to all the volunteers who provided food and drinks for the back-to-school luncheon. Everyone was very thankful for the delicious lunch. We would like to recognize Angela Bauer, Stephanie Keefer, Jill Harkless, Amanda Scherschel, Camille Smith, Cynthia Lipocky, Jen Eisaman, Angela Hennegan, Katie Firks, Kim Hoffman, Roby Kaufman, and Kristy Thompson. Also, a big thank you to the maintenance staff for all of their time and help. *Camy Rodenbeck and Krisi Cavacini*

SCRIP NEWS

Welcome Back! – We hope everyone had a great summer and is ready for a new school year. If you are new St. Charles, we extend a special welcome and hope you will use SCRIP. All the families with students in Pre-K, kindergarten or first grade should have received a packet of information explaining SCRIP. We will be at the back-to-school meeting on August 16 to answer any questions the rest of you might have.

Remember:

- SCRIP turn in days are Mondays and Fridays.
- SCRIP office is open every morning – 8:30 am – noon.
- SCRIP orders can be called in and picked up at the parish office or sent home with your student.
- SCRIP is sold on the weekends, after the 5pm Mass on Saturdays and between the 9am and 11am Masses on Sundays.
- SCRIP is a fund raiser for the parish and school but you benefit as well!

Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grade families, remember that to be eligible for the “Back-to-School” giveaway, you must turn in an order on the special form attached to your SCRIP packet, no later than Friday, August 17.

Be sure to look for the SCRIP table on Back-to-School night. We will be there to share information with the rest of the St. Charles School family. We have a special *St. Charles Spirit package* for one lucky family. All you have to do to win is place an order on the special order form that will be available at Back-to-School night, Thursday, August 16.

Volunteering – SCRIP is always in need of volunteers; there are many different tasks with different levels of commitment. If you have not visited the volunteer link that was provided in the back to school information packet that school sent out, you should definitely do so. It is a great way to learn how you can get the most from the SCRIP program.

VOLUNTEERS:

Aug. 17 – Lisa Madinski, Cindy Miltner, Kara Staessle, Amy Copeland

Aug. 18 – Amy Lin, Audrey Stauffer, Diane Keefer

Aug. 19 – Kasey Eckland, Mary Firks, Terri Wallace

Aug. 24 - Sue Christle, Angela Bauer, Peggy Keefer, Judy Smith

Aug. 25 - Molly Elsass, Tom Neuhaus, Leslie Schamberg

Aug. 26 - Nancy Hartig, Lisa York, Jill Onion

Cardinal Fest 2018 is September 7-9! Come enjoy the teen dance, indoor carnival, outdoor games, bingo, food and drink, adult music tent featuring High Roller band, televised Notre Dame football game and the Msgr. John Memorial 5K Run/Walk! Visit **CardinalFest.com** for all of the info you need. **Thank you** for supporting your parish/school festival!

- **VOLUNTEERS:** Go to CardinalFest.com and click the Volunteer tab. You will earn your child a dress down day and have a chance to win one of three \$100 Meijer gift cards at the conclusion of the Festival! Free carnival wristbands will be awarded to two people if committed to a volunteer slot before 8/19! One winner will be drawn just from the Outdoor Games sign up and one winner from all of the other sign ups combined!
- **5K RUN/WALK PARTICIPANTS:** Go to CardinalFest.com and click the 5K tab. Come out and watch the Second Annual Priest versus Principal Challenge between Fr. Tom and Principal Sordelet! The popular Fun Run for children 8 years old and younger is back with a prize! Online race registration is available.
- **EVENT SPONSORSHIP:** Contact stcharlescardinalfest@gmail.com for opportunities to put your brand in front of hundreds of St. Charles Parishioners!

Library Information

What a spectacular turnout at the library this summer! I was happy to see so many eager readers join us for our eight open library sessions. Many students took advantage of an early start to their 1st quarter reading goals by taking AR tests and accumulating points. Thank you to the parents and guardians who continued to keep reading alive in your homes even during the busy summer months! After each of the eight library sessions, one special test taker was chosen from a hat and awarded a \$10 gift certificate. There was also one GRAND PRIZE WINNER for the entire summer!

Here are the winners: Anna Steigmeyer (Grade 5): \$10 to Regal Movie Theaters, Isabella Scherschel (Grade 6): \$10 to Zesto, Christian Kelker (Grade 4): \$10 to Culver's, Luke Stratton (Grade 6): \$10 to Pizza Hut, Taylor Mathews (Grade 3): \$10 to Cinema Grill, Allyson Kelker (Grade 6): \$10 to Starbucks, Lena Pfeiffer (Grade 2): \$10 to DeBrand's, and James Harkless (Grade 6): \$10 to Dairy Queen. Finally, the student with the most AR points accumulated this summer received the GRAND PRIZE: \$20 to Target!

Congratulations, Nathan James (Grade 8), you accumulated 202.6 points this summer! **GOOD FOR YOU!**

Again, thank you for the wonderful turnout, and continue to make reading a priority throughout the school year!

Mrs. Knox--School Librarian

Accelerated Reader Requirements For The Year

Grade Level	Reading Level	AR Points
8	4,5,6,7,+ Check with teacher if below level 4	18
7	4,5,6,7,+ Check with teacher if below level 4	15
6	3,4,5,6+ Check with teacher if below level 3	12
5	3,4,5,6+ Check with teacher if below level 3	9
4	2,3,4+ Check with teacher if below level 2	6
3	2,3+ Check with teacher if below level 2	3
2	1,2+ Advanced Reader/Enrichment	2
1 & Kdg	1+ Advanced Reader/Enrichment	
Pre-K	Not yet :)	

The AR points listed in this chart represent the number of points required to be earned each grading period by the students. This is included in the students' reading or literature quarter grades on report cards. Grades 1 & 2 only test with teacher's discretion.

ANNUAL MAGAZINE SALE includes YANKEE CANDLE SALE

The St. Charles Borromeo School annual magazine sale begins next week, Thursday, August 16 and continues through Wednesday, September 5. All students in grades K-8 will receive a packet with information. New and renewal magazine subscriptions may be placed by parents, friends, and families. These orders are to be placed only ONLINE. Additionally, we are again including a sale of Yankee Candles to our annual fundraiser! These orders are to be placed using the provided order form and returned with payment to school. Candles will be delivered to school a few weeks after the sale concludes. Candles may also be ordered online at <https://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com/store.htm> using group number 990097732. This is the one fundraiser we sponsor and for which the school receives over 40% profit. Order forms with payment or candles may be turned in on August 28 and September 5. Magazine subscriptions may be purchased new or renewed on-line by September 5 as well. Go to American Publishers Hearst website at <http://www.apmags.com>. Click on "Shop Now", type in the St. Charles School code: WA4972, click on "Check Code" and follow online directions. Students will receive credit for sales and receive incentive prizes if the student seller's name is typed in the appropriate space online. We thank you for supporting this program. Online ordering information is available on our school website under the tab "Support Us". Thank you!

St. Charles Robotics Club

The St. Charles Robotics Club will have their first meeting on Wednesday, August 15 after school in room 5 until 5:00. The club is open to any current 5th-8th grader who is seriously interested in joining. The team will meet on Wednesdays and Thursdays after school until 5:00 in room 5. Parents, please pick the students up at door 13 outside the parish hall at 5:00 on these days. There will be a fee of \$25 to defray the cost of running this fun and educational engineering club. Robotics will run through November and possibly December, depending on our performance at the regional competition in November. If your student did not receive a permission slip have them see Mr. Hoy in room 25 and turn in the completed form by Tuesday, August 14. If you have any questions about the club, please contact Mr. Heimann, Mr. Heckber or Mr. Hoy at legorobotics@stcharlesschoolfw.org. Hope to see all those interested on Wednesday, August 15 after school!

Lunch Times for the 2018-2019 School Year

Pre-K	10:35-10:58 <i>recess follows</i>
Kdg	10:40-11:00 <i>recess follows</i>
Grade 1	10:55-11:15 <i>recess follows</i>
Grade 2	11:02-11:20 <i>recess follows</i>
Grade 3	11:08-11:26 <i>recess follows</i>
Grade 4	11:22-11:40 <i>recess before</i>
Grade 5	11:25-11:43 <i>recess before</i>
Grade 6	11:45-12:03 <i>recess before</i>
Grade 7	11:52-12:10 <i>recess before</i>
Grade 8	11:40-11:58 <i>recess follows</i>

August 2018 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

13	14	15	16	17
Chicken Patty Baked Beans Fries Peaches Milk	French Toast Sticks w/ Syrup Sausage Hash Browns Oranges Milk	Cheeseburger Lettuce & Pickle Tater Tots Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk	Chicken Caesar Salad Soft Pretzel Broccoli Pears Milk	Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Sun Chips Carrots w/ Dip Go-Gurt Raisins Milk

Lunch Prices 2018-2019

Lunch/Milk \$2.75

Milk Only \$0.45

Extra Entrée \$1.50

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTING FORM

Parents can put money into the student's account through your MealpayPlus online account at www.mealpayplus.com or by calling 866-662-3382 for a small fee. Or, you may send a check with the Lunch Accounting Form below to the school cafeteria. For example, if you have 3 children, send a check for \$90 payable to St. Charles Cafeteria and designate \$30 to each child's account. Each child who will eat hot lunch needs to have money in their meal account. It is recommended to have a minimum of \$13.00 in this account which will pay for five meals. If the student may want additional portions of the main entree, then it is recommended to have a minimum of \$6.00 in the general account as well. if you have questions regarding this, you may call the school cafeteria at 969-4028 on school days 8:00-12:30 or the school office at 484-3392.

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Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
Last Name	First Name	Grade-Room	Lunch ID	Payment
General-Payments to the General account may be used for Meals, Extra entrée (\$1.50), and milk (45¢)				
Meal-Payments to the Meal account may only be used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.75)				
			Total Payment Enclosed	

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BAND CHIMES CHOIR ORCHESTRA

Students are invited to join the St. Charles Band, Chimes, Chorus, and Orchestra programs. Any student with an interest in enrichment opportunities in music is welcome! Participation is a full year commitment. Only with a commitment for the entire year can the student members become a "team", progress, and perform more involved pieces.

There is no additional cost or fee for any of these group lessons. This is included in the tuition. However, students must provide their own instrument(s) and also need to purchase a music book specific to their instrument and level. There are available for rent several band/string instruments from the St. Charles School Fine Arts Boosters. If you need more information on this rental, please contact Kevin Hoersten.

Intermediate Band Monday 11:30-12:00 <i>Grades 5-6</i> Tuesday 11:30-12:00 <i>Miss Bassett</i> Thursday 12:00-12:30 Friday 12:00-12:30	Advanced Band Monday 12:00-12:30 <i>Grades 7-8</i> Tuesday 12:00-12:30 <i>Miss Bassett</i> Wednesday 12:00-12:30 Thursday 11:30-12:00
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Band Books are required. Students will be given more information at their first class. The first day for band to meet will be Monday, August 27. There will be information available in January for grade 4 students joining the Beginning Band second semester.

Choir Monday 11:55-12:25 <i>Grades 5-8</i> <i>Mrs. Till</i> Tuesday 11:55-12:25 <i>Grades 5-8</i> Thursday 11:55-12:15 <i>Grades 5-8</i>	Chimes Monday 3:05-4:30 <i>after school</i> <i>Mrs. Till</i> Grades 5-8
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Choir will begin Monday, August 27. Chimes will begin Monday, September 10.

Since choir and band meet at the same time, students should **not** choose both of these activities.

Orchestra <i>Miss Basset</i>	Beginning Orchestra Tuesday 10:50-11:20 Year 2 Orchestra Monday 11:00-11:30 Intermediate Orchestra Thursday 11:00-11:30 and Friday 11:00-11:30 Advanced Orchestra Wednesday 11:30-12:00 and Friday 11:30-12:00	usually grades 2-3
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Orchestra classes are for violin, viola, and cello. Year 2 Orchestra begins Mon., Aug. 27, Intermediate Orchestra begins Thurs., Aug. 30, and Advanced Orchestra begins Wed., Aug. 29. Beginning Orchestra begins Tues., Sept. 11.

There is a Beginning Orchestra informational meeting on **Tuesday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m.** in the Hession Center. If your child would like to learn one of the string instruments, please plan on attending this very important meeting. 3rd and 4th grade beginners are most welcomed. The class size will be limited. Grade 2 students will be accepted as beginners as space allows on the basis of the date the form below is returned to school in advance and attendance at the meeting. Parents and students will have the chance to meet with Miss Bassett, the instructor, as well as a representative from Quinlan & Fabish Music Company. Students should also be present so as to be sized for a rental instrument. Please plan to attend this meeting if there is an interest in Beginning Orchestra. The first day for Beginning Orchestra class is Tuesday, September 11.

***** **Please return this bottom form to the school office by Tuesday, August 21, 2018** *****

2018-2019 Fine Arts Co-Curricular Participation & Commitment FORM

I agree to attend all practices/lessons as indicated at St. Charles School. I will do my best to participate with enthusiasm. I realize that I am making this commitment for the entire year and this requires the participation at two evening concerts scheduled for Thursday, November 29, 2018, and Thursday, May 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. There is also a school concert approx. 9:15 am on Friday, May 10, 2019. There will be an ISSMA Adv. Band Competition on March 9, 2019.

Student Name _____ Grade _____ Room _____

Band
 Choir
 Chimes
 Orchestra

New member _____ Returning member _____ Instrument _____ Years of Instruction _____

The instructor will place the student in the most appropriate level class.

Wish to join the new class of Beginning Orchestra (violin/viola/cello) and will attend meeting on August 28 at 6:00 pm.

Student's Signature

Parent's Signature

Date

Phone

Parent e-mail