

Weekly Update 34 ~ May 21, 2020

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| TH.MAY | 21 | NPH Sponsorship Day |
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| MO.MAY | 25 | Memorial Day - No Distance Learning |
| WE.MAY | 27 | Last Day of School for 8th Grade |
| | | 8th Grade T Shirt Day |
| TH.MAY | 28 | Last Day of Preschool/PreK |
| FR.MAY | 29 | Last Day of School for K-7 |
| | | All School Google Meeting |
| MO.JUN | 01 | K-8 Drop-off Day and Middle School Locker Pick-up Day (Watch for details) |
| | | Last Day to Submit Homework for Trimester 3 |
| TU.JUN | 02 | Back-up rain day for June 1 |
| TH.JUN | 04 | 3:00 PM-5:00 PM End-of-the-Year Parade and Farewell |
| FR.JUN | 05 | Back-up rain day for June 4 |
| | | Report Cards to be mailed |
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Dear St. Charles Parents,

We are approaching a long weekend before the final days of the school year. Next week is going to be a Parent Appreciation Week which is probably long overdue! We have not done this before, and we've never needed it more! There will be some opportunities for our students to appreciate their parents at home, and our staff will be sending out messages on Facebook about how much we love our parents.

Today, we're running interviews for the 4th grade position at St. Charles, and a candidate asked us an interesting question at the end of the interview. "What do you love most about St. Charles?" Each person on the interview team mentioned our parent support in their answer. I just wanted to share that with you.

On May 29th, our final day of distance learning, we are going to try something radical. We are going to invite every family in our school to a Google Meeting to close out the school year. The time of the meeting and details about how to join will be coming. The idea just came up today, so we have a few things to work out. Stay tuned for more communications!

Thank you for your partnership and God bless you, Danny Kieffer St. Charles Principal

Belated Middle School 2nd Trimester Congratulations

In the scramble of moving to Distance Learning, we never recognized our 2nd trimester Honor and High Honor students.

Congratulation to the following honor students (3.0-3.66)

5th Grade: Ella B, Kate D, Isabella F, Riley H, Lucia J, Miles K, Bella K, Isaiah N, Betty P, Adelai R, Michael T, Benjamin T, Luca V.

6th Grade: Gunnar C, Emmett G, Ray H, Elizabeth J, Isabel M, Michael S, Brett S, Clare S, Malachi T, Gina W.

7th Grade: Ava B, Henry D, Clare H, Thomas H, Lucy J, Martha N, Sofia T, Warren V, Joe V, Tom V. 8th Grade: Clayton D, Lilyan J, Adriana R.

Congratulations to the following high honor students (3.67 or higher)

5th Grade: Anthony B, Annika G, Kaleb P, Danielle S, Makenna S, Anna T, Mary Y.

6th Grade: Elena D, Alexandros K, Molly M, Eliana M, Arianna S, Maya T, Tessa T, Peter V.

7th Grade: Monica B, Ian B, Elsa C, Joshua C, Amy K, Rita M, Alyssa M, Nora P, Caroline P, Braden S, Jake V, Nathaniel Y,

8th Grade: Faith B, Alannah C, Andrew D, Gianna J, Samantha M, Riley M, Gabe O, Mia S, Mitch S, Norah T, Will V, Ben W.

NPH Sponsorship Funds Still Welcome

Thank you to those of you who have so generously donated to help cover the end of the year and into the summer months. If you have not donated and are still hoping to do so, please email the main school account at stchbschool@gmail.com with NPH in the subject line and tell us how much you would like to donate. The donation will be billed to you through TADS. Please join me in supporting our Little Brothers and Sisters today!

Virtual Youth Group Opportunities for All 4th-8th Graders!!

Our Open-Youth-Room Classroom is open!! In order for your child to join the class, just email Andrew Wagenbach at awagenbach@stchb.org to get the code for your child to use for Google Classroom. We post different questions each week, and the more answers your child puts in, the more chances they have to win a gift card, saint sticker, and more. Let me know if you have any questions or can't join the classroom. This is open to all 4-8th graders. Email Andrew Wagenbach, youth minister, with questions at awagenbach@stchb.org

Did you know that your 4th-8th grader can take part in a Weekly Discipleship Group via Zoom? This is a great way for kids to stay connected, have fun, and grow in faith during this pandemic.

6/7th Grade Girls meet at 6:00 PM Tuesdays 4/5th Grade Girls meet at 7:00 PM Tuesdays 8th Grade Girls meet at 8:00 PM Tuesdays

5/6th Grade Boys Meet at 6:00 PM Fridays

7th Grade Boys meet at 7:00 PM Fridays 8th Grade Boys meet at 8:00 PM Fridays

Email Andrew @ awagenbach@stchb.org for more information for your child to join in the fun,

faith, and fellowship.

NEW resources from Keri Brenden, our school counselor:

- US News and World Report Helping Young People Gain Resilience during the Pandemic
- Spark and Stitch Institute Motivation during a pandemic
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Updates and Resources

- Parish Information: <u>https://www.stchb.org/, https://www.stchb.org/at-home</u> and stchb-YouTube.
- If you would like to donate to help school and parish families in need during this time, you may
 make an online donation <u>here</u> > scroll down and click on Sister Stephan's Purse.
- If you are struggling financially, have been furloughed, or are out of work, please know that there are resources available to help you meet the essential needs of your family. Please contact Deacon Najarian for more details at deaconsnajarian@stchb.org or 612-787-1184
- **Parent Technology Helpline**: Our helpline will be open each day from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM for your technology questions. If you have a question, please email chargertechhelp@stchbs.org and include your phone number. Requests for support will be handled in the order they are received. If our helpdesk will not be able to help you on the day you request it, you will receive a message informing you that you'll receive a response the following day.
- 2019 Education Tax Information: K-12 Education Subtraction and Credit Form
- We regret to inform you that the 2020 St. Charles Summer Camps have been canceled

Prayer Corner

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at dkieffer@stchbs.org

- For the health of all our students, families, and staff during this pandemic.
- For quick and complete healing for Ian B's grandmother Norma, recently diagnosed with COVID-19.
- For the repose of the soul of LeeAnn Carlin, Marion Patton's sister-in-law, and for the comfort of her family.
- For student Estelle's mom, Ann Blomquist praying for someone to be able to donate a kidney for her. For more information on how to help: <u>http://umnhealthlivingdonor.org/</u>.
- For healing for staff member Dana Huggar's mother, Kathy Carlson, as she battles cancer.
- For the repose of the soul of Sue McSherry and for the comfort of her family.
- For healing for student Holden C's grandmother Beverly.
- For all St. Charles families, new and old, that they may be strengthened in their faith and sheltered in God's loving mercy.

Additional Links

St. Charles Website ~ <u>www.stchbschool.org</u>

St. Charles Google Calendar ~ St. Charles Calendar Link

St Charles Facebook ~ <u>https://www.facebook.com/stchbs</u>

Moore Than Dance ~ <u>MooreThanDanceSummer2020</u>

Resources During Pandemic Time

- Spark and Stitch Institute Do Screen Time Rules Matter in a Pandemic?
- Spark and Stitch Institute The Many Faces of Stress in Children and Teens
- NYT Children May Be Afraid of Masks Here's How to Help.
- Talking to Teens about Concerns Language for Parents During Times of Worry
- Sesame Street: A Message from Elmo's Dad
- <u>Common Sense Media Resources for Families During the Coronavirus</u>
- Childmind The Power of Mindfulness
- Self-Care in the Time of Coronavirus Childmind Institute
- Feeling Overwhelmed with all of the Resources & Juggling Work and Kids at Home? Whole Child Counseling
- Brain Breaks from Allina Healthy: <u>https://www.changetochill.org/chill-breaks/</u>
- Big Life Journal Stay-at-home Care Pack

★Weekly Update article deadline: Wednesday noon - Send submissions to mwappes@stchbs.org.★