

October 12, 2021

Saint Ann School News

For students or family members living with the student who take a COVID test, please wait until receiving results before sending students back to school.

On Friday, October 1st, Governor Newsom announced a phased approach to COVID-19 vaccination requirements for K – 12 students who attend public and private schools in person. Here is the Press Release from the Governor's Office regarding School Vaccine Mandates. <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/10/01/california-becomes-first-state-in-nation-to-announce-covid-19-vaccine-requirements-for-schools/> The state has yet to release an official public health order to this effect. When they do, our diocesan leadership will review it to understand the implications and applicability for our Catholic schools. Thank you for your ongoing partnership, flexibility and understanding as we navigate this situation. We will continue to keep you informed as we learn more.

Middle School parking lot: When you enter the middle school parking lot (from Norma St.), please note traffic in this parking flows counterclockwise. Also, please pull into a spot for pickup and drop-off. There is no designated lane to pick up and drop off in the middle school parking lot; the only designated spot for this is in the elementary parking lot. This is for the safety of children. Thank you for following this safety guideline.

*****Parent Participation hours***** As you know, this year is the writing year for our school's accreditation cycle. We are busy writing the documentation for the visiting team's visit to St. Ann next school year. Part of this process involves feedback from key stakeholders. Below is a link for parents to complete. This survey focuses on the Catholic Identity Effectiveness of St. Ann School. School staff will use the feedback from this survey to help us complete our writing as well as to look at areas the school does well on and areas where the school can improve. Please take a minute to complete this survey. Completion of this survey will count for (1) parent hour.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeM5o005CUZukr7AsQUT36YLGlyHIDFbbuPIoZQQJ0wKqAS_w/viewform?usp=sf_link

- **Parent- Teacher conferences** will be October 18th-22nd. The sign-up sheets were sent home electronically on October 4th. **Please follow ALL directions**. The deadline to sign up is this Wednesday, October 13th. Middle school conferences are not mandatory, unless requested by the teacher. Conferences can be in person or via Zoom.
- **Picture Re-take/Make-up day** is Thursday, October 14. For those who are having re-takes done, be sure to send the original packet to school with your student that day. Please call the school office to put your name on the list. Any students who were absent that day also need to have their photo taken.

- The **Middle School Girls' Volleyball** game schedule is as follows. Please come cheer them on! Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for middle school. Elementary students and younger are free. **Games this week are as follows:**
 - Wed. Oct. 13 - Home against Mojave @ Saint Ann: 4:00 PM for 7th Grade Team; 8th Grade game immediately following.
 - Thur. Oct. 14th - Home against Murray @ Saint Ann: 3:30 PM for 7th Grade Team; 8th Grade game immediately following.
- ****Masks need to be worn inside the Parish Center by all attendees****
- **Middle School Basketball** - We are looking for Enthusiastic and positive basketball coaches (boy's and girl's). Please contact the school office for more information if you are interested.
- **Halloween Boo Gram** - Flyers are going home today in the Monday envelope. This is a Student Council fundraiser. Due by Wed Oct. 27th. There are extra Boo grams in the office if you need them.
- **Looking for someone to bring 10 bales of hay to the school on October 29 for Fall Festival, and then to remove them later that night or the following day.**
- **The annual pumpkin carving/decorating contest** will be on Friday, October 29th. Students should bring their pumpkins to school that morning. Pumpkins will sit on the benches in the quad for viewing all day. The winners will be announced at the end of the day.
- **Hot Lunch** - The pink order slips are in the Monday envelope. The slips and the money are due back tomorrow. If you are using **vouchers**, please attach to the pink slip. (Vouchers are still available for purchase in the school office)
 - *Hot lunch – Tacos - Provided by 6th grade class.
- **Pizza Factory Fundraiser** – Thursday, Oct 14th - See the flyer in the Monday envelope. Please share with friends and family. You need to show the flyer or mention it upon placing your order. You cannot use SCRIP because Pizza Factory already donates 20% of that day's profits.

PTG News:

- **Fall Festival** will be on Friday, October 29 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM in the Quad. The PTG is asking that **each family donate one large bag of candy or two small bags**. Volunteers are needed to work half hour shifts at the food booth, games and cake walk.

Upcoming Events

Thur. Oct. 14.....Picture Retake Day
 Thurs. Oct. 14.....Pizza Factory Fundraiser
 Fri. Oct. 15..... Accreditation Workday; **No School**
 Mon. Oct. 18-Fri. Oct. 22 Minimum Days; **11:30 AM dismissal**/Parent – Teacher conferences
 Wed. Oct 27.....Boo Grams and money due
 Fri. Oct. 29..... Fall Festival, Pumpkin Carving Contest/ Boo gram deliveries

Have a blessed week!