



Sacred Heart School

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MR. B'S BUZZ

I want to thank everyone who attended **Back to School Night**. If your schedule was "double-booked" and you missed this very important school information evening, much of what was discussed in the classrooms can be reviewed by contacting your child's teacher(s). As I stated last Wednesday evening, our parish school is embarking on a heroic enterprise that takes on a partnership with parents and school staff and the entire parish community. We are called by God as disciples of Jesus to sanctify and transform our world. At Sacred Heart Catholic School, our students learn and begin to integrate the three substantial characteristics of our faith: 1) to seek holiness; 2) to work for justice; and 3) to appreciate the value of hospitality. Together we are *forming saints and educating scholars!* I am blessed and humbled to be part of this servant-leader partnership with you. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the school office to make an appointment to see me.

Today your child will bring home a letter describing how to enter the ISTEP+ Parent Portal of the Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), website in order to access your child's Spring 2016 **ISTEP+ scores**. You should access your child's scores immediately. The letter will contain your Claim Code in black bold letters that you will use to access your student's scores. After reviewing your student's ISTEP+ scores, you may request a rescore, if needed. "The IDOE fully understands the importance of rescore." Unfortunately, SHS received notification of parent Claim Codes and instruction for rescore late Tuesday evening. **The window for parents to request a rescore closes on 11:59 pm. Friday, August 12, 2016.** SHS will be available tomorrow and Friday to help any parent with the request to rescore.

Parents are doing a great job of emailing or calling the school office before 8:00 a.m. to report an absence. When a student is tardy (not be in his or her homeroom by 7:45 a.m.) the student should report to the office for an admission slip before entering the classroom. If the student is excessively tardy, a parent must accompany the child to the office. In addition to notifying the school office first, parents may also leave or email a message for the child's teacher. The goal is to have **ALL students** in homeroom by 7:45 a.m. Thanks!

Now is the time to think about other ways to stay involved and connected with your children in school. Remember, the number one complaint of parents is that the years go by too fast! Our Archdiocese requires that everyone working with children (either in a paid capacity or volunteer) be trained in safe environment. By participating in the Safe and Sacred training, adults may work in our school, coach an athletic team, or volunteer in a variety of activities involving our youth. **For more information on Safe and Sacred call the school office.**

Make plans to attend our first PSTS meeting on Tuesday, August 16. I will be available to listen and discuss your ideas as we look to the future and strengthen our great school. Also, be sure to check out the list of PSTS projects that support SHS.

We are anchored in Christ!

God bless you and your loved ones this weekend,
Frank Barlag

Girl Scouts Meeting

There will be a Girl Scout parent's informational meeting in the Parish Activity Center for all girls in Grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 23rd from 6:00 to 7:00.

Mass at St. Augustine

We will continue our tradition of traveling to St. Augustine church for a school Mass on the Feast of St. Augustine at the end of the month. All of the students and teachers will travel by bus to St. Augustine on Friday, August 26 for Mass at 9:30 a.m. All parents, parishioners, and friends are welcome and invited to join us for this Mass. Please note that it starts an hour later than our usual Friday Mass at Sacred Heart because we need some extra time for the buses to get us there. Permission slips went home last week. Please return your permission slip.

Street Dance

The PSTS is once again sponsoring our annual Street Dance on Saturday, August 27th, starting at 7:00 p.m. This evening is always a lot of fun for kids and adults and it is the largest fundraiser that the PSTS puts on each year. In order for this evening to be successful, it takes the work of many parents and volunteers. Please think about how you can help and complete the yellow form that came home last week and return it to school. If you know of any business who would like to be a sponsor for this year's Street Dance, please call our chair people, Jodi and Tony Leonard, at 502-548-0708 or email them at jodileonard@gmail.com

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Pray for us. Live Jesus in our hearts, Forever