

Laker Newsletter

March 16, 2023

SAINT EDWARD ON THE LAKE SCHOOL

School Hours
7:45AM-3:05PM
Office Hours
7:30AM-3:30PM
1-810-385-4461



Mission Statement

We at St. Edward on-the-Lake Catholic School, work together with our families and community to create a Christ-centered environment which promotes Catholic faith formation, academic excellence, and personal development. Our students will have the opportunity to become confident, independent thinkers, and life-long learners who are responsible to God, to themselves and to society.

Knights of Columbus/PTO Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone that came out to our Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser last night! We had a great turnout and made \$4,245 dollars, which will go towards our remaining Smart Board balance purchase. We would like to also thank the Knights of Columbus for purchasing the food for the evening, along with the Knights, PTO, parents and teachers that volunteered to help make the night go smoothly.



End of 3rd Marking Period: No School Tomorrow

On Friday, March 17th, school will be closed, as our teachers will be in a Records Day to work on their grades and report cards for the end of the 3rd Marking Period. Look for your child's report card to come home on Wednesday, March 29th. Father Acervo will once again be handing out report cards to students on this day.

PTO Meeting TONIGHT 7:00PM

Our monthly PTO Meeting is scheduled for tonight at 7:00PM via Zoom.

Please find the link below, along with a copy of tonight's agenda and minutes from last month. We hope to see everyone on the call!

Topic: St Edward on the Lake PTO Meeting

Time: Mar 16, 2023 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87887010899?pwd=d2V1NEZMZkFJWlhGQWx1b01mb1gydz09>

Meeting ID: 878 8701 0899

Passcode: 087861



March 2023 PTO Agenda.docx

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PTO Minutes February 2023.docx

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Children's Choir

Please find information attached on the K-5 Children's Choir that will be performing at the 10:00AM Easter Sunday Mass, along with one Mass a month for the remainder of the school year. This note will

be coming home as well. If interested in having your child participate, please fill out the bottom portion of the note and return to school.



Children's Choir Permission Slip.pdf

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March is Reading Month Activities Week of March 20th

20th Reading Logs Turned In

21st Wear Your Favorite Planet's Colors

Mercury/Mars: Red

Venus: Green

Earth: Blue

Jupiter: Orange

Saturn: Stripes

Neptune: Purple

Uranus: Yellow

22nd Be a Reading Genius: Wear Jeans to go with that book!

Kremer Scholarship Applications

We are very fortunate to be selected by the Kremer Foundation, to once again receive a \$10,500 dollar tuition scholarship grant for our St. Edward on the Lake Families for the 2023-2024 school year. We are attaching the application to this correspondence for those that are interested in being considered for this scholarship opportunity. Depending on the amount of scholarship applications we receive, know that not everyone that applies, may receive one. Please note that his scholarship opportunity is for those families that will NOT be receiving the first year \$2500 dollar discount. This scholarship has strict requirements that we must abide by, including the documentation required, deadlines, and minimum household income amount needed to apply.

Important information to know regarding the scholarship application:

1. Maximum Family Income to apply is \$57,409 dollars
2. Application must be filled out in its entirety and signed
3. Documentation must be included verifying income (See top of application for proof requirements)
4. Must be turned in to school office by the deadline date of **Friday, April 21st at 3:00PM (NO EXCEPTIONS!)**, with all documentation required.

If you have any questions while filling out the application, please do not hesitate to ask.

We will also be sending this information home today in hard copy format.



Important March Dates

March

- 16 Preschool to Port Huron Museum Discovery City
- 16 K and 1st Grade to Zoo
- 16 PTO Meeting 7:00PM
- 17 End of 3rd Marking Period and Records Day: No School for Students
- 20 Stations of the Cross w/Father Acervo 2:30PM @ Church
- 21 4th and 5th Grade Retreat with Sister Clare
- 23 Spring Picture Day
- 27 Stations of the Cross w/Father Acervo 2:30PM @ Church
- 27-28 Confession with Father Acervo for our 2nd-5th Graders

Transitional Kindergarten Program UPDATE

Update: We are excited to announce that we **WILL** be offering a Transitional Kindergarten Class for the 2023-2024 School Year. We have already begun to map out the curriculum and Progress Report that we will be using, and will look to hire a teacher for the classroom by the end of the school year. The classroom will be housed where our current Library is located and will be outfitted to meet the needs of the TK Classroom. Additional information and criteria for the program will be out shortly, and we will share that with our Preschool parents and new families that may wish to take advantage of the program.

Transitional Kindergarten Program

This instructional class would serve as a bridge between Preschool and Kindergarten. We want to provide an individualized learning experience for our students and know that some kids developmentally are not ready for the Kindergarten experience, even though their age allows them to move to Kindergarten. We also know that there are a number of four-year old students that may be ready for more than the Preschool experience offers them, even though they do not qualify for Kindergarten just yet. The curriculum for the class will combine elements of preschool and kindergarten standards and run five days a week. Once the student has completed the Transitional Kindergarten class at the end of the year, they will move on to Kindergarten the following school year.

We are excited about this opportunity for our students and families, as we attempt to provide additional offerings that meet the needs of ALL of our students.

School Classroom Expansion

Update: The bid process for our proposed expansion has begun, and general contractors have been invited to come to the school on Friday, March 10th in the afternoon to do a walk through of the construction site and to look at our current building set up. Mr. Metty, Mr. Hearn and Father Acervo will be escorting the visitors around later in the afternoon.

Our proposed classroom expansion plans are now in the final stage of the bid package prep phase, with the hope that we will be able to send out our four and six classroom bid package for general contractors to bid on in three weeks. The window for general contractors to bid will take place over a 30 day period. Once this period expires, we will review the bids and bring one to the AOD and the College of Consultants at the end of April. We will present and discuss the project with the Consultants, and share with them our financing plan for the construction and completion of the project. If given approval, a construction timeline will be implemented, with a hopeful construction start date to be in the summer of this year. Your continued prayers and thoughts on a positive outcome to this effort are needed and appreciated. We will keep everyone posted on the progress of the proposed expansion as we have new information.

Dress Code

Around this time of year, and as a reminder, we like to send out the Dress Code Guidelines from the Student Handbook. Please review this, as we are starting to push the boundaries in the uniform area, especially with the shoes. Thank you for your help with this!



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Daddy-Daughter Dance

Save the date for the return of our Ties and Tiaras Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, April 21st from 6:00PM-7:30PM at the Parish Hall. More information to come out soon on this fun event for St. Ed Dads and Daughters.

2023-2024 Registration Process: RETURNING FAMILY REGISTRATION BEGINS MONDAY!

The Registration Process is set to begin for the 2023-2024 School Year! Returning families to St. Ed's can begin to register for next school year on Monday, March 6th. Starting on March 20th, new families will be able to register. There is a \$300 dollar non-refundable registration fee per family for Grades K-5 and \$100 dollar registration fee for returning pre-school families. Registration will once again take place via the FACTS Process, and can be accessed through your current FACTS account. Note that we cap our classroom size to 20 students, and once we have reached that number, we will close registration for that grade and families will be put on a Wait List to register.

Track Coach Needed

We are looking for a Track Coach or Coaches to run this year's combined Track Team comprised of St. Ed and St. Mary McCormick students. The Track season will run from April to the end of May, with

track meets taking place May 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th against our other Blue Water Vicariate Schools. If you are interested in helping coach this year's team, please see Mr. Metty for more information.

March Breakfast and Lunch Menus

Please find the March Breakfast and Lunch Menus below!



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March Lunch Menu.docx

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March Lunch Help Sign Up

We are always in need of help during the 11:20AM-12:30PM Lunch Cycle. If you can spare the time, please consider volunteering! Don't let the cold weather scare you from helping! We can use you in the lunchroom and when its too cold outside, we go in the Gym for recess!



[March Lunch ...](#) na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Don't forget to stop by the office and fill out an FEP slip for your chance to win a prize this month as a thank you for volunteering! Your time is greatly appreciated! :)

BINGO Workers Needed!

As part of our Family Engagement Program, one of the areas that volunteers are needed, is to assist the Knights of Columbus at our weekly Monday Night Bingo Events at the Parish Hall. Workers are needed from 5:30PM-8:30PM each Monday. When our parents volunteer at Bingo, we will receive a portion of the proceeds from that evening's event. Please consider giving an evening to work Bingo for the school. If interested and able, please contact the school office and we will put you on the schedule for an upcoming Monday!

Protecting God's Children REMINDER

REMINDER:

If you have taken the Protecting God's Children Class, please send us a copy here in the school office. We need to note that you have taken the class in order to participate in our school functions involving our students! Thank you for your help with this!

Protecting God's Children is a three hour class that is Required by the Archdiocese of Detroit for parents of St. Edward on the Lake School that are interested in volunteering and/or working in the school. If you have already taken the class, please disregard this. If you are a new family and/or have just started volunteering, you must take this class. If you need additional information, or to locate an upcoming class, please click on the link below.

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Unless otherwise noted all sessions are conducted in English.

Register for PTO Remind

The PTO has set up a Remind Notification Account to push out information to our families regarding all of the activities that our PTO participates in throughout the year. Please see the attachment below on how to sign up to receive these texts to your phone.



PTO Remind Sign Up.pdf

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St Edward on the Lake Facebook Page


Did you know that we have a St Edward on the Lake Facebook Page?


Check us out at the link below! We try to post happenings at the school, along with some cool pics of the activities going on at St. Ed's during the week!


<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063497019809>



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