

Laker Newsletter

November 21, 2023

SAINT EDWARD ON THE LAKE SCHOOL

School Hours
7:45AM-3:05PM
Office Hours
7:30AM-3:30PM
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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.

Thanksgiving Break

Just a reminder that we will be on Thanksgiving Break at the end of the day today and classes will resume on Monday, November 27th.

We have a lot to be thankful for here at St. Edward on the Lake. I would like to thank our community for their support of our programs, our teachers and our school and the vision we share

to mold our children not only academically, but spiritually, behaviorally and socially as well. These are also exciting times for us with our expansion proceeding, which will allow us additional space needed to house our growing programs, give us options on future growth, and allow our parish and surrounding entities to utilize the Hogan Center and new wing for activities, classes, and other community events. We are thankful for the support that Father Acervo gives us here at the school. He takes a lot of pride in our school, and it shows in the support that he provides us on a daily basis showing up to our activities, taking part in meetings, getting to know the students and allowing us to be creative in terms of providing opportunities for us to grow in many different formats. I am very grateful for our teachers and support staff here at St. Ed's. They are a committed group of professionals that take a lot of pride in what they do and want what is best for your child on a daily basis. They have created a family atmosphere here at our school, and one that is second to none that I have been involved with. We are looking forward to the Break to reflect on all of these things that we have and are fortunate to be part of. I hope that you have the chance to do the same as well. I know that life goes by pretty fast, and if you don't slow down once in awhile, you miss out on the chance to reflect on the important stuff. Have a great rest of the week, and thank you for all you do for our school.

Lego Robotics Competition Results

Congratulations to our Lego Robotics Team for qualifying for states on Saturday, December 9th! The team worked hard to prepare for the competition, and required a number of scores to qualify in the regionals this past weekend at Armada High School. We will be pulling for them in three weeks, as they look to build on their regional performance with their Lego Robot, Presentation and Citizenship Scores on the 9th!



November and December Happenings

November

22-26 Thanksgiving Break

30-Boys and Girls JV Basketball 6:00PM Boys and 7:00PM Girls HOME GAME against St. Germaine

December

4-4th and 5th Grade Confessions with Father Acervo

5-3rd Grade Confessions with Father Acervo

8-Knights of Columbus Kids Christmas Party

11-Chess Club 3:10-4:10 Cafeteria

12-Limo Raffle Winners Lunch

14-Santa Shop

15-Hearing and Vision Screening

18-Christmas Music Concert in Gym 6:30PM

Winter Weather

Winter weather is on the way! Please be sure to dress your child for the conditions. Winter coats, snow pants, boots, gloves, hats, and mittens should be brought to school, as we will be going outside over the winter months when the temperature is 13 degrees or higher! Our students love to sled on the hills behind the school, and even with the construction, we will be able to do that. If you have any plastic sleds or saucers you would like to clear out of the garage, please bring them in and we will put them to good use this winter!

Next Chess Club Session Set for Monday, December 11th

We had 22 students attend our first Chess Club session yesterday, and everyone had a great time! Our next session will be held on Monday, December 11th, from 3:10-4:10PM. We will send out another flyer, so that we know who will be attending on that date.

Online School Spiritwear Store-ONE WEEK LEFT TO ORDER!

The online school spirit wear store is now open just in time for the holidays! Take a look at the different options, and make sure that you place your order by December 1st for delivery before we leave for Christmas Break at the end of the day on December 19th!

School Spiritwear Flyer.pdf

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Ski Club News

✂ **Attention Parents of St. Mary McCormick and St. Edward on The Lake Students!** ❄

We're excited to announce that the Ski Club will be back again this year! Starting around the first of the year, our club will meet on Tuesdays after school at Mt Holly Ski and Snowboard Resort, located at 13536 Dixie Hwy in Holly, MI.

Stay tuned for a forthcoming announcement closer to the start date, where we'll host an informative meeting to answer questions, sell memberships, and share the new updates for this year's activities. Get ready for an exciting ski season ahead!

Keep an eye out for more details in an upcoming announcement. Thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for the Ski Club! ❄️

SCRIP Gift Cards

Looking for some holiday gift ideas? Look no further than the SCRIP Gift Cards here in the office. We sell all denomination gift cards to all of the main box stores, and restaurants in our area. By purchasing SCRIP Gift cards you are helping the school and also getting a discount taken off of your tuition!

St. Ed Student Santa Shop

We are excited for this year's Student Santa Shop, which will be held on Thursday, December 14th this year. We have many volunteers signed up to help, and are looking forward to the big event. Look for a letter to come home right after Thanksgiving Break with all the details!



Santa Shop 2023

Ho Ho Ho! Santa Shop is the merriest day of the school year and it is quickly approaching! With the help of parent/grandparent volunteers, we can make it the most magical Santa Shop yet. We are in need of several volunteer "elves" to help students shop for their loved ones, wrap gifts, and assist with snack/craft time!

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November Parent Lunch Aid Volunteers

-Lunch Volunteers:

We are always in need of parent volunteers to assist us in supervising our students during the daily lunch cycle. Our lunch period runs from approximately 11:15-12:35, Monday-Friday. If you are interested in learning more about how you can assist in being a lunch volunteer, please contact us at the office and we can give you more information on how to sign up during the week.

Please find the link below to sign up to be a lunch volunteer during the month of November! We need at least three lunch volunteers each lunch period to cover the lunchroom and recess periods listed above. Thank you for your help with this volunteer opportunity.



November Lunch Volunteers

Assistance with lunch supervision is always needed and greatly appreciated! Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Remember to fill out a Family Engagement Program volunteer slip in the office for a chance to win a prize this month as a thank you for your time!

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December Breakfast and Hot Lunch Menus

Please find the December Breakfast and Lunch Menus attached below. For those ordering, you have been receiving a weekly ordering sheet from our cook, that will be due the week before. This will let him know how much to make on a given day, so we appreciate your help with filling that out in a timely manner, now that those are going home.

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December St. Edward - Lunch Menu.pptx

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Hungry Howies and Jersey Mikes St. Ed Fundraiser Days

Hungry Howies and Jersey Mikes have once again offered to hold monthly fundraiser days where a portion of your sale will come back to our school. We appreciate their support and involvement with our school. Please see the attached flyers and mark the dates each month to go and visit to support our school! Our first Jersey Mikes Day is September 26th and Hungry Howies is September 28th.

St Ed Hungry Howies Fundraiser Days.pdf

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Background Checks and Protecting God's Children Refresher Course Requirements

The AOD Office of Child and Youth Protection has implemented new requirements for all employees and volunteers who work at the school, along with parents wishing to attend field trips with their child during the year. The Protecting God's Children Program and training has been updated and anyone that completed their PGC class prior to January 1, 2020, are required to take a refresher course module online. Those that need to take this module should have received an email, but if you didn't, due to using an older email at the time that is no longer in use, you can go onto the Virtus site at the below address, log into your account, and take the two-hour session. It is self-paced and doesn't need to be completed in one sitting. Once you are done, please print a copy of the certificate for us to have on file here in the office. As was mentioned above, this refresher module will pertain to ALL family members that volunteer at the school, attend field trips, etc. We will have access to the list of people that need the refresher, and will be cross checking before you are allowed to work, volunteer or attend field trips with your child. If you took the PGC class BEFORE January 1, 2020, you will need to take the online refresher module.

You can access the Virtus site at

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IF YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY ACCESSING YOUR ACCOUNT, WE CAN RETRIEVE YOUR ID AND GIVE YOU A NEW PASSWORD. IF YOU ARE TAKING THE ACTUAL COURSE AND ARE LOGGING IN FOR THE FIRST TIME, YOU WILL NEED TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT BEFORE REGISTERING FOR THE INITIAL COURSE.

-Background Check Forms:

We recently sent home a hard copy Background Check form for our parents to fill out to be background checked. Per new AOD guidelines, everyone involved with our school that volunteers will also need to be background checked every TWO years. In the past, this was done one time, and you were good to go. This is no longer the case, as we look to ensure the utmost safety for our students and staff here at St. Ed's. If you have other extended family that volunteers or attends field trips at our school, they will also need to fill out the form and be background checked as well. If you have not filled this form out yet, please do so and send back to the office. We would like to get these completed this month before field trips and other on-site opportunities take place for our families to take part in. Thank you for your help with this.

2023-2024 School Calendar

Please find a copy of the 2023-2024 St. Edward on the Lake School Calendar below.

St Edward on the Lake Catholic School 2023-2024 School Calendar.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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