

Laker Newsletter

November 30, 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.

November and December Happenings

November

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

December

1-School Store Open

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

15-School Store Open

18-Christmas Music Concert in Gym 6:30PM

20-Christmas Break Begins: No School School Resumes January 4th



Christmas Holiday Spirit Week

Our Christmas Holiday Spirit Week will be the week of December 11th this year. Students that are participating in the Holiday Spirit Week do not have to wear their uniforms this week.

We will utilize the following themes for each day:

Monday, December 11th: Blizzard Day-Wear WHITE to school

Tuesday, December 12th: Holiday Gear: Headbands, stocking hats, ties, socks, antlers, holiday lights head gear, etc.

Wednesday, December 13th: Wear GREEN/RED Day

Thursday, December 14th: Wear Comfy Pajama Day: (We will still be going outside on this day, weather permitting.)

Friday, December 15th: Holiday Sweater Day

It will be school as usual during this week for us, but we would like to have a little extra fun as well. Hopefully, sending this out well ahead of time, will give everyone a chance to pull out something to wear for each day's theme!

Basketball Begins TONIGHT!

Our Boys and Girls JV Basketball teams begin league play this evening here at St. Edward on the Lake. Our Boys Team plays St. Germaine at 6:00PM and our Girls Team plays at 7:00PM. Cost to attend is \$2.00 dollars for students, \$3.00 dollars for adults or \$8.00 dollars per family. Come on out and cheer on our Lakers to victory this evening

St. Ed Student Santa Shop Information Coming Home TODAY!

We are excited for this year's Student Santa Shop, which will be held on Thursday, December 14th this year. Information on the Santa Shop will be coming home today! Please look for this important information in your child's backpack or on their name board.

Knights of Columbus Student Christmas Party

The Knights of Columbus Student Christmas Party will be held on Friday, December 8th, from 3:10-4:00 in the school gym. The Knights are still looking for a few more volunteers to assist with student supervision and assisting with running games. If you can spare an hour next Friday after school, please click on the link below to sign up!



Knights of Columbus Christmas Party

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party is coming up on December 8th and parent volunteers are needed to help with this wonderful event. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up if you are available to help with party games, supervision, and anything else the Knights may need during the party.

[🔗 signupgenius.com](https://signupgenius.com)

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!



Morning Drop Off Loop

St. Edward on the Lake Families:

Just a friendly reminder that the morning drop off loop is for families that are dropping their child off in the morning and allowing them to come into school by themselves. If you need to come out with them and walk them into school, please park in the parking lot. We have had a few days where cars are backed up waiting to pull into the loop, and there is a car unattended stopping people from being able to pull in. When using the loop, please pull up as far as you can, to allow as many vehicles to enter the loop. Thank you for your help with this.

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.

School Store The Pier OPEN Tomorrow!

Our school store, The Pier, will be back open for business tomorrow afternoon. Each grade will have the opportunity to shop for 10 minutes. Items range from .50 cents to \$3.00 dollars. Money raised from the store goes back into the store and also goes to the school to minimize costs for field trips, playground supplies, and school activities.



Hearing and Vision Screening

The St. Clair County Health Department will be here on December 15th to do Vision and Hearing Screening on our students. Depending on the grade your child is in, they will get one screening or the other. Look for a note to go home on this next week.

SCRIP Gift Cards

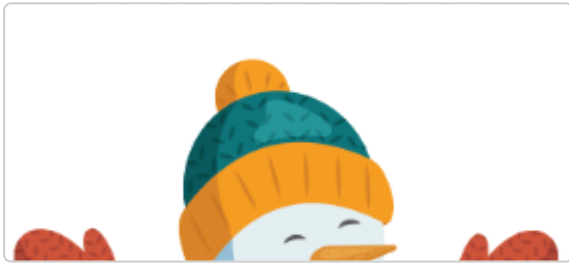
Looking for some holiday gift ideas? Look no further than the SCRIP Gift Cards here in the office. We sell all denomination gift cards to all of the main box stores, and restaurants in our area. By purchasing SCRIP Gift cards you are helping the school and also getting a discount taken off of your tuition!

December 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 December! 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.



December Lunch Volunteers

Assistance with lunch supervision is always needed and greatly appreciated! Recess is extra fun during the snowy months because students get to sled down the big hill on the playground! It is so much fun to watch! Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up.

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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.

December St. Edward on the Lake - Breakfast Menu K8[39].pptx

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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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Jersey Mikes Flyer.pdf

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

<https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/index.cfm?https://na01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.virtusonline.org%2Fvirtus%2Findex.cfm&data=05%7C01%7C%7Cd7e251b013fd409b4e4b08dba59ea23d%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C638285873769624608%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWljoImMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTiI6Ikl1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=KplqV9qY8a6NpBUQQMfHeqQ3t5zLLrON6mkxBN3Dh3M%3D&reserved=0> to take the module.

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.

Unless otherwise noted all sessions are conducted in English.

virtusonline.org

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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