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# St. ROSE OF LIMA SCHOOL

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Rooted in Faith. Thriving in Academics.

# SAFE, STRONG, SUSTAINING

- Working hard ensure safe, engaging on site learning AND implementing dynamic distance learning curriculum for remote students and for all when the need arises
- Impressive record of days IN the classroom since September
- Kudos to Nurse Bonnie, Faculty, Parents and Students for incredible Teamwork in making this possible
- Special shout out to our teachers who are working tirelessly to be sure that every student excels. They go beyond the call of duty every day; I am honored to work among them and witness the results of their labor on a daily basis.

# OPERATIONAL UPDATES

- Enhanced our resources to ensure that all students have access to the BEST learning materials for in classroom and online learning. These adjustments were necessary and will sustain for many years.
- Boiler issue -- working with a company that has been very good about repairs to keep us going but the unit will need to be replaced soon. Investigating options for cost and timing.

# IOWA EXAMS

- Standardized testing important for student assessments
- Will be administered electronically this year; if on site tests will be proctored by teachers; if at home students will be on the honor system
- Timeframe -- testing during the month of March; results will be sent home with final report cards of the year.
- Implementation details will come directly from teachers

# 2021-2022 ENROLLMENT NEWS

- Delighted to report highest retention rate at this time of the year -- ever!

Thank you for continuing the learning journey with us!

- Grades K-8 very strong
- Virtual Open Houses brought in several new families. These are ongoing, Tuesdays 11:00- 12 noon with Mrs. Coppola. Check website for information
- We are moving in a good direction -- please help us spread the Word so SRS continues to SHINE!

# **THANK YOU FOR HELPING CLOSE THE GAP**

- We are truly BLESSED by the generosity shown by parents this year.
- 12 plus families have paid the tuition GAP!
- Several families have made SIGNIFICANT contributions to help us cover the costs of COVID related materials and other notable expenses.
- So many families have participated in our fundraising outreaches
- THANK YOU for your TIME, TALENT and TREASURE, we cannot do it without you!

# BLOOMS FUND UPDATE

- Tuition Raffle a Success! Roughly \$13,000 profit for the school!  
Congratulations Duda Family and THANKS to all who participated!
- #Giving Tuesday -- Passed \$10,000 goal. Raised \$15,000!
- Matching Gifts -- rolling in! More than \$10,000 to date.
- In Memory of Donations -- \$1,000 plus!
- Carry All Caddy -- All but 6 bags have been sold. \$2,000 profit
- Upcoming -- “Help Us Continue to Shine” Mailing -- March/April; St. Rose School/Blooms Days of Giving/Family outdoor gathering/Brick sales kick off May

# STUDENT LIFE UPDATE

- Celebrated and Counted the Days through the Decades...50's-90's
- Catholic Schools Week Fun goes on...
  - Tomorrow is STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY!
  - Friday is **SPIRIT DAY!** (2 non perishable food items for food pantry)
- Our students have sent out love and gratitude throughout the community
  - Over 300 valentines and thank you cards are being distributed this week
- Other Community Service
- February Math Facts Competition
- After school Programs

# STUDENT LIFE UPDATE

COMING SOON!!

Watch your email and the Newsletter for Updates...

- Lenten Mission
- 100th Day of School
- Flipping for Our Class of 2021
- 100 Days Until Graduation
- March Math Madness
- Varsity Basketball Players Hall of Fame
- The SRS Knowledge Bowl
- International Week
- Expand After School Programs

# THANK YOU HSA AND PARENT COMMUNITY!

- Partnering with parents is at the foundation of our school philosophy.
- Your ongoing support -- especially this year -- is an incredible gift!
- We appreciate your words of encouragement, your gifts, your offers of help, the beautiful lunch last week and ALL that you do to make this such a vibrant community.
- Thank you for entrusting your precious children to us. Their health, faith and educational experience is our top priority!
- FYI -- Fr. Bob will distribute ashes in the church starting at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday February 17th. Fr. Tom will distribute ashes to students taking the bus that day.