

SAINT BERNADETTE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Please see the information about our virtual Field Day below, and look for an email from me regarding forms needed for 2020-2021.

*Last week the governor announced his decision to close Ohio schools for the year. I didn't have much to say about it at the time because knowing this is the plan put me on a whole different train of thought and I needed some time. After conferring with the Archdiocese, Fr. Tim and our faculty, **I am moving the last day of school to Friday, May 22.** We are able to do this based on instructional days recovered from other cancellations during our stay-at-home orders. Given the stress many of our families are experiencing, ending school as early as possible seems best.*



The teachers and I have discussed the best ways to accomplish tasks that would otherwise be simple: collecting textbooks, cleaning out lockers, turning in devices, etc. I will be sending out a special end-of-the year edition of the newsletter in the next day that will address the logistics for SAFELY returning school or state-owned resources (families will be able to choose an appointment time via Sign-Up Genius), plans for dropping off assignments, picking up personal belongings, and celebrating the end of the year. Eighth grade graduation is still a work in progress, but we are actively working on honoring our graduating students. End-of-year awards for students in grades K-7 will be awarded next fall, though teacher awards (AR achievement, for example) will be handled in class Zoom meetings.

The Ohio bishops extended the ban on public liturgies until May 29. It is hoped that Pentecost liturgies on May 30 and 31 will be parish events, but we do not yet have recommendations from Archbishop Schnurr for liturgies on or after that date. If you have a student awaiting First Eucharist or Confirmation sacraments, please watch for communication from Amy Zurlinden. She will be letting families know about those sacraments as soon as possible.

Teachers have noticed a general relaxing of attention to assignments this week,

especially once the governor's announcement to close school for the year was made. To support learning, here are your action steps for the next three weeks:

1. Make sure your child is completing assignments. If you have a student in grades 3-8, chances are the teacher is using either Gradelink or Google Classroom to help organize assignments. Try this: Log on to your child's Google account and check for any missing assignments, or look at the calendar on Gradelink. Your student should be able to show you how this works. If you have trouble, contact your child's teacher.
2. If you have a child in the primary grades without devices (K-2), your teacher has been holding Zoom meetings, providing paper-pencil assignments/lesson plans, and sending emails about what is due. Please keep working with your student to complete the work assigned. There is a light at the end of this tunnel!
3. Please know that while teachers are also interested in an earlier end to the school year, they are trying to grade student work and keep current with the curriculum to the best of their ability. This earlier date adds a sense of urgency to their tasks. Please be patient while we continue to serve your children.
4. Please be patient about end-of-year grades. Teachers have a deadline of May 27 to enter grades and comments. We will run our aggregate processes after that and report cards will be available after June 1 via the Gradelink portal, only.
5. Consider a plan for staying connected to classmates and/or teachers with your child. I realize that "school" has provided some small sense of consistency in an otherwise turbulent time. There may very well be students who will feel anxious about the loss of their school-issued device once it is turned in, or who will miss seeing their teachers and classmates online so ironically, ending school early might not be good news for some. Please let your teacher know if this is a concern.

There is a lot to process on our end in the coming weeks, but please continue to communicate whenever you have a question or concern. If you need to contact me privately, leave your name in a text message to my cell: 513-226-3301, or email me with a time and number to call you.

In Christ,

~Mrs. Ingram

PICK-UP/DROP OFF MAY 8

Friday May 8: 5-7 PM

Drop off for any paper assignments. Pick up materials if notified by your homeroom teacher.

VIRTUAL FIELD DAY

See Ms. Selm's note, below.

Videos due May 15.

END OF YEAR DROP OFF

**May 21, 5-7 PM or
May 22, 10-5 PM**

By appointment only.
Watch for email.



FIELD DAY FAMILY CHALLENGE

Attention St. Bernadette Families,

Since our school field day has been cancelled, the faculty thought we should have a virtual family field day of fun to keep our spirits up. Here's all the information you need to know:

- 1) Google "Field Day Games" and visit the websites for tons of ideas of games and challenges for your family to choose from.

- 2) Pick one of those games, or adapt a game to make it your own.
- 3) Everyone in the family (including parents) can participate in the activity you choose.
- 4) Please be creative, original, and just show us some good old-fashioned, fun-filled activity with joy and laughter.
- 5) Videotape your family's game and send it to Mr. Brunner at mbrunner@stbernadetteamelia.org.
- 6) All videos should be submitted no later than May 15, 2020.

Come on, Sabers! Join all of us in creating a funny family video to make us smile!

Competitively Yours,

Super Selm



CANNED FOOD DRIVE and KROGER GIFT CARDS

Please continue to bring in canned foods and any non-perishable items, paper towels, toiletries, cleaning supplies, etc. to help replenish the shelves for our St. Vincent DePaul Society. We will continue to collect all through the quarantine period. Families may drop off donations to school at the bus lane in the box labeled for donations.

Kroger gifts cards, or money donated to help purchase them, are needed for our families who will now depend on St. Vincent DePaul's food pantry to help offset the larger grocery bills and lack of school-based lunches that this extended closure will inflict. Please send this kind of support directly to the parish.



SAVE THE DATE: MAY 22

Decorate your car and "drive through" our campus for a caravan/parade to end our school year. Teachers will be waving you on, and wishing families well for the summer. The "parade" will start at 5:30, and the route is confined to our school property. Short and sweet, but a send-off, to be sure!

EDCHOICE EXTENSION OF DEADLINE

THE APPLICATION PERIOD FOR THE TRADITIONAL EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIP AND EDCHOICE EXPANSION SCHOLARSHIP IS NOW OPEN AND WILL CLOSE AT 11:59PM ON MAY 30TH, 2020. INCOME VERIFICATION DOCUMENTS ARE DUE MAY 30, 2020.

EDCHOICE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2020-2021 RENEWAL FORM

Please use Birth Certificate for student data

STUDENT INFORMATION

NAME: FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____
DATE OF BIRTH: _____ GENDER: MALE FEMALE
GRADE STUDENT WAS IN ON JANUARY 1, 2020: _____
SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING? _____
WHAT SCHOOL DISTRICT DO YOU LIVE IN? _____
WAS YOUR STUDENT ACCEPTED FOR ENROLLMENT? PLEASE CHECK ONE YES NO
ARE THERE ANY SIBLINGS ATTENDING THIS SCHOOL? IF YES, PLEASE LIST HERE: _____

Guardian Signing Scholarship Checks I am the (check one)

Natural Parent
 Adoptive Parent
 Residential Parent

Legal Custodian (court documents required)
 Guardian of student applying for scholarship funds
 Student is at least eighteen years of age

PRIMARY GUARDIAN

NAME: FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____
DATE OF BIRTH: _____ SSN# LAST FOUR DIGITS: _____
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____ COUNTY: _____
PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

SECONDARY GUARDIAN

NAME: FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____
DATE OF BIRTH: _____ SSN# LAST FOUR DIGITS: _____
PHYSICAL ADDRESS: _____
CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____
RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

PLEASE ATTACH A CURRENT UTILITY BILL AND RETURN TO PRIVATE SCHOOL BY April 15, 2020.

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