

October 15, 2020

SAINT BERNADETTE SCHOOL

Small school. Big heart.



Students may wear Spirit Wear tops **tomorrow** and jeans, sweat pants, athletic warm-ups or LONG athletic shorts for **\$1.00!** Proceeds benefit the 8th grade class.

[School Website](#)

[Parish Website](#)

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Ordering lunches? The link is located under "Quick Links" at the bottom of the newsletter.

COVID CASES RISING NEARBY

Infection rates are on the rise in our area. The county's 7-day infection rate doubled in one week (see graphic, below) and Amelia Elementary was closed today because of a single positive case of COVID-19.

Amelia had to close the whole school because they were notified of a positive case yesterday very late in the afternoon and there was not enough time to adequately trace the patient's close contacts for quarantining. In that situation, it was safest to keep everyone home from school while affected students or teachers could be identified and then notified.

This could happen to us, too. It can take a lot of time to identify and connect with close contacts. When we have a positive case, we will work as quickly as possible, but if we see that it will take more time, we will close school to give us that time. This does not mean the school will remain closed, only that time is needed to take all the right steps to resume instruction.

STAY INFORMED AND BE VERY CAUTIOUS



The rise in cases in Ohio and across the country are very alarming to physicians. We need to take serious steps to keep the infection rate under control this fall and winter. This includes:

- **Pare down all indoor family/social gatherings** ...Football gatherings and Thanksgiving come to mind. "Family" isn't always the same group as "household." Because your children have several contacts in school, visiting with relatives in a different household may be dangerous; the aunt who lives in a state with a high rate of infection is likewise a risk to your household. The people who track viruses for a living recommend we keep Thanksgiving small and private to our own homes this year.
- **Wash your mask, and your student's mask every night.** Would you take a band-aid off a skinned knee and move it to the finger with a paper cut? Of course not! Using the same mask without washing it daily is similarly gross and full of germs. We are seeing some pretty dirty masks lately. Please get in a routine of regularly washing masks. [How to wash masks.](#)
- **Please don't travel** any more this fall and winter unless it is absolutely necessary. If you must travel, check the [Travel Advisory link](#). If the infection rate at your destination is 15% or higher, you and your student will need to quarantine for 14 days when you get home.
- **Get a flu shot...kids, too.** If you've ever been on the fence about this, make this the year you commit to getting one. The best arguments for a flu shot this year are that having one helps your PCP diagnose you more quickly if you get sick, and reducing influenza in the community is another way to keep hospital beds available for other needs.

We have enjoyed general good health so far as a community, and the weather has been phenomenal allowing us a lot of time outdoors. But we are entering the point in the year when interruptions to the school day or school year are likely to occur if community spread accelerates. Please do all you can to stop the spread. Good choices are our best hope for staying healthy, and staying in session.

Blessings on your evening,

Mrs. Ingram

| Data Used to Support In-Person Learning | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 st Metric: Clermont County data | | 2 nd Metric: Clermont County data | | 3 rd Metric: School data | | |
| 7 Day trend of Daily New Cases | Goal: <10 | Percent of COVID tests that are positive | Goal: <5% (CDC) <3% (Harvard) | Number of St. B COVID-19 cases | Isolated (sick) | Quarantined (well) |
| 8/31/2020 | 9 | 8/31/2020 | 4% | 0 | 0 | 1 (post travel) |
| ↓ 9/8/2020 | 8 | ↓ 9/8/2020 | 3.9% | 0 | 0 | 2 (post travel) |
| 9/13/2020 | 8 | 9/13/2020 | 3.9% | 0 | 0 | 1 (post travel) |
| ↑ 9/20/2020 | 9 | 9/20/2020 | 3.9% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ↓ 9/28/2020 | 7 | ↑ 9/28/2020 | 4% | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ↓ 10/04/2020 | 6 | 10/04/2020 | 4% | 0 | 0 | 2 (close contact) |
| ↑ 10/11/2020 | 13 | 10/11/2020 | 4% | 0 | 0 | 11 (CC) |



BACK THE BINOEDERS

Help us support this family as they face a devastating illness.

- **Meal Train for The Binoeder Family.** The unique link associated with this Meal Train is: <https://mealtrain.com/6wo1wk> Click on the link to sign up to bring the family a meal.
- **A Benefit for the Binoeder Family** is in the works. More information will follow, but for now the coordinators of the Benefit are currently looking for donations & things to raffle off. Items such as Gift Cards, Theme Baskets, Vendor Items from Sales Consultants, Craft items, etc. If you are interested in donating an item or have questions please contact Casey Cornett email: caseyannc3@gmail.com

- **Prayers** for Marcus, Heather, Ben and Jenna are continuously needed. Visit the Grotto in prayer, or go online and offer a **Rosary**, start a **novena to St. Peregrine**, speak from your heart, or simply offer to God any sacrifices you make during the day to the Binoeder's intentions and needs.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

LOOKING AHEAD...

- **Fri, Oct 16** - Spirit Wear Day - Student may be out of uniform and wear a St. B spiritwear top and jeans/sweatpants Cost: \$1.00
- **Fri, Oct 30** - Professional Development (No Classes)

ON THE HORIZON

- **Sun, Nov 1** - Daylight Savings Time ends
- **Thurs, Nov 5** - Picture Retake Day
- **Fri, Nov 20** - End of 1st Trimester
- **Nov 25-27** - Thanksgiving Break



HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES

It's time for our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students to start thinking about High School. Below is a list of High School links for Open Houses and Virtual Tours.

- **Ursuline Academy** - Oct 31, Nov 1
- **Purcell Marian** - November 8
- **Mercy McAuley** - November 8
- **Mt. Notre Dame** - November 1 & 2
- **Moeller** - November 1
- **McNicholas** - October 25 & 26
- **Xavier** - November 12 & 15
- **St. Ursula** - October 25

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS

CAN YOU HELP AT LUNCH or RECESS?

We have a great need, and anything you can offer will be appreciated.

We need volunteers to assist us with lunch distribution. This is an easy volunteer task! Any day you have to offer helps us and we only need you from 11:00-12:30. Working from home? Maybe you could squeeze us in? Sign up for **LUNCH HELP**.

Teachers are eating lunch everyday with their students and supervising on the playground, too, thanks to the pandemic. We could really use some help on the playground so that teachers can get a bit of break at lunch time. Please click **HERE** to sign up for playground help. Virtus required.



OVERSTOCK SALE

OCTOBER 16-20, 2020

40% off select closeout styles
5202 Plain Front Pants
3282 Flat Front Shorts
(Final sale, while supplies last)

30% off Backpacks, Lunch Bags & Uniform Shorts

20% off Polos

Free Shipping on orders \$75 & up

Customized uniform shorts and polos are not included



- ★ SIGN UP
- ★ VISIT THE LIBRARY
- ★ DISCOVER NEW THINGS
- ★ LOG YOUR VISIT
- ★ WIN PRIZES



CLERMONT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
clermonthlibrary.org

Program runs October - April



REMIND

Be in the know with REMIND! Remind is a text subscription that is used to communicate due date reminders or other important information to our parents. Once you have signed up, you can typically expect to receive 1-2 (or less) texts per week. This can also be used as an additional form

of communication for school closings or delays. Two ways to sign up:

- 1) Go to <https://www.remind.com/join/stbsabers> and complete the form OR
- 2) Use your phone and text @stbsabers to this number: 81010

Please note: if you have already signed up for the all school remind in the past, you do not need to sign up again. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Sarah Holland at elicoopsmom@gmail.com.



PIANO LESSONS

There has been quite a 'buzz' about students wanting piano lessons after school now that we are back in session. Mrs. Lana is happy to train students privately in their homes (near St. B.) right after school from 3:30-4:00, weekdays. If your child has an

interest in learning the beautifully creative art of playing piano from Mrs. Lana, please email her directly at llana@stbernadetteamelia.org for details and scheduling! It is enjoyable and fun for all to learn to play piano! Let the Music Play!

Quick Links

School Calendar 2020-2021

Schoolbelles (code S1952)

Lunch Menu

Gradelink

[Link to Order Lunch](#)

FACTS Login

Newsletters/Handouts

Virtues in Practice (at home materials - Year I, Year of Faith)

Parent/Student Handbook

[COVID-19 Handbook](#)

[Kroger Rewards](#)

[Recess Volunteer sign-up genius](#)

[Box Tops Bonus App](#)

[Parish Website](#)

[1n5 Foundation](#) (great mental health information)

[PTO](#)

[Mind-Peace](#) (for mental health providers, click on [Search for Providers](#))

[Virtus Login](#)

