



SAINT CHARLES

CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Weekly Update 2 ~ September 12, 2024

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- TH. SEP 12** 6:30 PM **Parent Information Night** for parents of K-8 students
- FR. SEP 13** 8:00 AM Grades K-8 Mass (church)
2023-24 trimester 3 Honor Roll Assembly following Mass (church)
1st Marathon drawing
- MO. SEP 16** NWEA Testing begins
Out-of-uniform passes may be used
- TU. SEP 17** Picture Day
- WE. SEP 18** 5:15 PM Dinner, 6:00 PM Talk - **Family Formation Night**
7:30 PM Ablaze (8th-12th graders youth group in youth room)
- TH. SEP 19** **Mustard Seed Project Charity Day** - for \$1 (or more) students may wear spirit wear
- FR. SEP 20** 8:00 AM Grades K-8 Mass (church)
Picture Retake Day
Catholic High School Visits (8th graders)

Looking Ahead

SA. OCT 05 ST. CHARLES SCHOOL MARATHON

Dear St. Charles Parents,

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at Parent Information Night tonight! A couple bullet points before I go into Marathon, MAP testing, and tonight's format.

- **Please don't park in the bus lane from 7:25-7:45 in the morning or from 2:25-2:45 in the afternoon .**
We need to keep clear lanes for our buses to pick up and drop off our kids. In the morning, six buses need to stop at St Charles.

This year's **Marathon** season is underway! As a reminder, we ask each of our K-8 students to raise \$200 in sponsorship for the school. Our goal for the whole school is \$60,000. Our Home and School Association runs the Marathon, and our returning leaders are Julie Neumann, Bridget Polsfuss, Sarah Gideo, and Kysa Hubbard. If you are new to St. Charles and worried about running 26.2 miles, you can put your mind at ease. The Marathon is a long-time St. Charles and Catholic Schools fundraiser that helps us keep tuition down. Students participate in a couple of ways. First, by asking family, friends, and neighbors to sponsor them with a financial donation to the school. Secondly, by picking a service project with their families that will benefit people in our community. This could be yard work for someone who needs help, bringing lunches to a homeless shelter, a trip to Feed My Starving Children, picking up trash at a community park – these are just a few ideas. We recommend doing the project before Marathon day. Please take pictures of the service project and email them to Andrea Richardson at

arichardson@stchbs.org. We will try to post service projects on our school Facebook page! There will be no service project drawing this year.

On the actual Marathon day, we bring prayer intentions from our families, friends, neighbors, and community members and pray for those intentions at a 9:00 AM Mass. Immediately after Mass, we say the rosary for those intentions and then proceed to the front yard of the school to kick off the Marathon. This is the part where we get our steps in. We walk around the school and church block two or more times and then settle in for prayer, lunch, a short assembly with prize drawings. Everyone is on their way by noon. For more details, please see your Marathon information included in the packet you picked up at Back to School Night.

In other news, we will be starting **NWEA MAP testing** next week, the week of September 16th. We hope to get all 3 tests in that week for 2nd - 8th grade. Kindergarten and 1st grade take 2 tests. The tests take about 50 minutes each, depending on the child. The Kindergarten and 1st grade tests are shorter. Please make sure your child is in attendance and on time unless they are ill. Thank you for your support in this area.

Parent Information Night is tonight! Here is the timeline for the evening:

Your start time depends on what grades your children are in:

- If you have two or more elementary students (Grades K -4), the night starts at 6:30 in one of the grade-level classrooms.
- If you only have one elementary student (Grades K -4), the evening starts at 7:00 in one of the grade-level classrooms.
- If you only have middle school students, (Grades 5 - 8), your night starts at 7:30 in the cafeteria.

Here is the breakdown of the evening:

6:30-6:50 - K-4 session 1 in classrooms

7:00-7:20 - K-4 session 2 in classrooms

7:30-7:55 - All School session in the cafeteria

8:00-8:45 - Middle School session in the cafeteria

Everyone should plan to be at the All-School Session at 7:30 and add on elementary classroom sessions and/or the middle school session to suit the grades you have students in this year.

The intention of this evening is to provide you with an overview of the school year, special events or happenings at each grade level, classroom procedures and practices, and a chance to sit in your children's classrooms!

This year is off to a great start, and we appreciate your support from home!

God bless you,
Danny Kieffer
St. Charles Principal

Middle School Honor Roll Assembly for 2023-24 Trimester 3 ~ Friday, Sept. 13

Following 8:00 AM Mass tomorrow, the current 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students who received honors and high honors in the 3rd trimester of the last school year will be acknowledged. Come for Mass and stay to applaud their accomplishments.

It's MARATHON time! ~ Saturday, October 5

It's almost here!!! The annual St. Charles School Marathon is Saturday, October 5. Our weekly prize drawings begin next Friday, September 13. All names will be included!!!

This important fundraiser is vital to our school operations. Please contact Angela at abollensen@stchbs.org if you would like to use TADS to donate through your school account. You can also donate online at: [Marathon donation](#). Please share this link with your family and friends, and don't forget to place your student's name in the comments section. Many companies have matching gift programs that also help us reach our goal. Thank you for your generosity!

Check out the Marathon day volunteer opportunities for parents and 7th & 8th graders at [SignUpGenius](#). Home and School will have Spirit wear available for purchase. a coffee booth! The 6th graders will be hosting a coffee booth with all donations supporting their November Wolf Ridge trip. Last, but certainly not least, please send in your prayer requests (forms included in Marathon packet) to be read during the 9:00 AM Mass and rosary .Thank you and can't wait to see everyone there!!!

School Picture Day ~ Tuesday, September 17

All families should have received an email from Slow Road Photo with information about Picture Day next week. No pre-paying or pre-ordering is needed. Please refer to your email or [here](#) for more details. Students do not have to wear their uniforms on Picture Day. See below for the Out-of-Uniform Dress Code (from the Parent & Student Handbook).

Interested in Karate on Tuesdays at St Charles?

To find out information and to register go to <https://sterlingkarate.com/>

School Year Reminders

- **Please send a note to school if there is a change in your child's end-of-the-day routine.** If changes need to be communicated after the day begins, please be sure to include the office in any email communications (stchbs@stchbs.org) because teachers may not have a chance to check email during the day. You may also call the school office at 612-781-2643.
 - Please remember that there is **NO PARKING** on Stinson Boulevard in front of the school area so that all the buses will have plenty of space to drop off and pick up students.
 - All children waiting for rides after 3:00 PM will be sent to St. Charles After School Care for safety reasons.
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Parish Corner

Family Formation Night ~ Wednesday, September 18

Families with kids of all ages are invited for the first Family Formation Night of the year! Start with a free supper at 5:15 PM followed by a talk at 6:00 PM. Childcare for littles is available! Click [here](#) for all the details and to RSVP for dinner.

New this year: 2nd - 4th Grade Youth Group

Click [here](#) for all the details. Next meeting is October 23rd.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima ~ Friday, September 20

See bulletin for details: <https://www.stchb.org/bulletins>

Prayer Corner ~

If you would like to add someone to our prayer corner, please email the information to Danny Kieffer at dkieffer@stchbs.org

- ❖ For the repose of the soul of Jeffrey LeVoir, father of graduate Eddie, and uncle to current students Ceci, Rosalie, Eileen, George, Francis, and Theodore, and for the comfort of his family.

Additional Links

St. Charles Website ~ www.stchbschool.org

St. Charles Google Calendar ~ [St. Charles Calendar Link](#)

St. Charles Lunch Calendar ~ [St. Charles Lunch Calendar Link](#)

St. Charles Google Athletic Calendar ~ [St. Charles Athletic Calendar Link](#)

St Charles Volunteers ~ [SignUpGenius](#)

St Charles Facebook ~ <https://www.facebook.com/stchbs>

St. Charles Borromeo: [St Charles Church](#)

★**Weekly Update article deadline: Wednesday 9:00 AM - Send submissions to mwappes@stchbs.org.**★

General Guidelines for the UNIFORM & OUT-OF-UNIFORM Dress Code

- *Girls' shorts must be mid-thigh in length or longer*
- *Boys' shorts must be knee length, 1 inch above or below the kneecap*
- *Skirts must be at knee length — within 1 inch above or below the kneecap.*
- *Pants, skirts, and shorts must be worn at the waist*
- *No leggings as pants, long underwear showing, stretch pants, form-fitting pants, or oversized pants*
- *No midriff, crop tops, or tank tops*
- *No hoop, dangle, or large earrings of any kind*
- *No sandals, Crocs, open-toe, or open-back shoes*
- *No boots in the classrooms*
- *No Heelys or roller shoes*