



A SCOTT COUNTY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

April 2, 2024

Dear Lourdes Families,

My risen and ascended Lord, You now reign in Heaven in perfect glory and splendor. Draw me into Your glorious life and invite me to cling to You with all my heart. I invite You, dear Lord, to come and make Your dwelling within me so that I can hold on to You forevermore. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen.



Welcome back. I hope you had a beautiful Easter!

Today we start the 4th Quarter of the school year. Report Cards will be printed today and if all goes as planned, will be sent home tomorrow (Wednesday).

Please mark your calendars and make plans for **NO SCHOOL, grades K-8 on Monday, April 8, 2024.** We will have a regular preschool and preK school day on Monday, April 8. Next week on Monday, April 8, our K-5 Teachers will be participating in a cohort of 44 teachers from our SCCS elementary schools (11 from each building) will be doing Lexia's LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) training. This training starts this spring and will continue over the next 2 years. LETRS training enhances teachers' knowledge and ability to teach reading utilizing science of reading research in phonemic awareness,

phonics, vocabulary, fluency, comprehension and spelling. A cohort of 25 administrators from the Diocese of Davenport, including all of the SCCS elementary principals and some other SCCS building leaders, is also undertaking the LETRS for Administrators training. For more information, please visit <https://www.lexialearning.com/letrs>.

[ESA Update](#)

With an eye toward the next school year, many of our families are looking forward to enrolling (or re-enrolling) their students' in Education Savings Accounts (ESAs). Our latest information indicates that the first opportunity to sign up will be at 8 am on April 16th. We expect a few changes to the process - which may simplify the enrollment process. Once we are able to confirm the details, we'll follow up with another email, so stay tuned!

[Fruit of the Spirit](#)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23

The following students were nominated for showing the Fruit of Faithfulness:

Lydia K, Konnor F, Addie L, Oliver C, Eliot S, Rey G, Frankie G, Bella R, Brooke A, Benjamin M, Eva G, Charlie K, Max M, Saydi M, Phillip W, Aurora N, Ellis C, Alex S, Rhylee C, Isla N, Sophia F, Amelia W, Sophia W, Teagan G, Drew K, Bronwyn H, Gianna J, Elena R, Casey A, Taylor C, Max G, Joseph C, Adam S, Savannah M, Lola W, Lane P

The following teachers were nominated for showing the Fruit of Faithfulness:

Mrs. Camarena, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Ashby, Ms. Hannah Rogers

[Classroom Request](#)

Our teachers work very hard to create a positive learning environment in their classrooms. A contributing factor to the learning environment is the mix of students in the classroom. A team consisting of teachers, support staff, and the principal meet to carefully, and thoughtfully, assign students to the homeroom that they, as professionals, feel is best suited to meet a student's needs. We ask that you please trust the professionalism of the team, and how well the teachers know the students in their homerooms. The Team splits existing classes based on academic needs, group dynamics, student interactions (positive/negative), peer relationships (positive/negative), class numbers, gender mix, siblings.

Requests for a particular teacher or separation from a particular student should be few. It is important to give clear, detailed reasons for this request.

Classroom Request forms are available in the school office starting today. Forms must be turned in to the school office by May 24, 2024. Emails, personal conversations, and phone messages will not serve as a formal request and will not be considered.

[Book Fair](#)

The Book Fair is this week! Come visit the library and help support the school!

[Voweletics Tutoring 4th Quarter and Summer Sessions](#)

Fourth Quarter AND Summer Sessions registration is now open. Each session runs for seven weeks. The 4th quarter sessions begin April 2nd (prorated based upon individual starting date) and summer sessions begin the week of June 11th. The link below contains information regarding the skill focus and the various assistance provided for all sessions. It also includes all the meeting dates and times.

Fourth Quarter AND Summer Sessions (Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grade)

<https://voweletics.squarespace.com>

Assumption Sports

[AHS Future Knights Track Program](#)

Please join us this April for the AHS Future Knights Track program!

Who: All 3rd-8th grade students

Where: AHS Track - 1020 W. Central Park Ave. Davenport, IA

When: Practices will take place Sundays from 12:00-1:15 PM and Wednesdays from 3:15-4:30 PM throughout April. Unable to attend all practices? That is ok! Join us when it works with your schedule.

Track Meet: An end of season track meet will take place on 4/28 for all Future Knight participants at 12 PM.

How to Register: Complete the attached form and mail to: Assumption High School c/o Tim O'Neill 1020 W. Central Park Ave. Davenport, IA 52804 OR register in person at the first practice on Wednesday, 4/3.

-AHS Track & Field Coaching Staff

8th Grade Lifting for Current 8th Graders

My name is Nate Gilbraith, I am the new Head Football Coach at Assumption High School. Starting in April and going through May, I am offering 8th Grade Lifting for the current 8th Graders, for both boys and girls. This will take place Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM. More information is attached to this note.

Community Service Project

On Friday, April 12, the third graders will be going on a field trip to Iowa City. This will be an amazing experience for your child. We will be delivering pull-tabs and supplies to the Ronald McDonald House. We have collected pull-tabs throughout the school year. The tabs are turned in to be recycled and are worth approximately \$.50 per pound. Since this is the third graders' main community service project, we are asking each student to either bring in some supplies that are needed at the Ronald McDonald House or donate money that will be used to purchase Scrip gift cards for families staying at the Ronald McDonald House. A "Wish List" of items that are always needed is on the back of this letter. You may bring in any of these items, and we will deliver them. This year we are also doing an "optional" donation to the Child Life Specialists at the University of Iowa Hospital. Our own Ben Nelson spent many days at the Stead Family Children's Hospital this fall. On his birthday they brought him gifts and sang to him. You can go to this site, go to the "Child Wish List" and order items from Amazon or you can purchase gifts and Mrs. Nelson will take them to the children's hospital.

<https://uihc.org/childrens/services/child-life>

'24-'25 Registration

If you still need to pay registration fees for the 2024-2025 school year, please click on this link:

<https://bngn.blackbaud.school/?id=c00dxz45rwk>

2024-2025 Lourdes Catholic School Available positions

I shared our continued growing enrollment numbers at Starry Night. This continues to be a very exciting time for our community! We will be adding a 1st grade homeroom and another homeroom to the middle school team. Mrs. Rouse, our school librarian, has made the decision to retire and she will be missed greatly. Please see our current job postings below or on [here](#):

Elementary Classroom Teacher

Must have Iowa certification and K-6 Teacher Elementary Classroom endorsement.

Middle School/Grade 6 Classroom Teacher for ELA and Math

Must have Iowa certification and either K-6 Teacher Elementary Classroom endorsement or K-8 English/Language Arts Endorsement

Teacher's Aide

BA, BS, AA or AAS degree or 60 hours of post-secondary credit leading to a degree required; Paraeducator Certification preferred

Librarian

BA or BS in education-related fields preferred. Prior library experience and education-related experience preferred.

Applicants should email resume and letter of interest to Mrs. Katie Selden, Principal

(katie.selden@lourdes.pvt.k12.ia.us)

Report Cards

As shared earlier, the 3rd Quarter Report Cards will be sent home tomorrow. Your child's report card shows different levels of information for each course about their progress. There is an overall course grade. Depending on the grade level it be with an Exceeds, Meets, and so on, or an A, B, C and so on. This is the overall course grade that parents are traditionally used to seeing. Under each course heading and course grade, there is a series of learning standards listed. Each of these standards are part of the curriculum and during next school year (2024-2025), you will see scores with these standards. For now, the teachers are going through training for this type of reporting so we are transitioning to sharing this information on the report card. When looking at your child's PowerSchool gradebook or the Report Card, please contact teachers right away if you see something you don't understand.

Volunteer Opportunities and Sign-ups

- ★ Middle School Service Learning Opportunities [sign-up](#)
- ★ Morning Greeter Volunteer [sign-up](#)
- ★ Lunch Recess Volunteer [sign-up](#)

Thank you for choosing and supporting Catholic education.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Selden

Schedule

Tuesday, April 2

4th Quarter begins!

- 8:00 "Monday" Teacher Mtg.
- 9:00 Preschool Tour for '24-'25
- 9-12 Diocesan Admin Mtg. (zoom)
- 1:00 SCCS Administrator Mtg (zoom)
- 3:30 Sped Mtg. (Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Selden)

Wednesday, April 3

- 8:05 Teacher Prayer
- 9am Mass
- 1:00 Principal and Bldg Coordinator Mtg
- 2:30 Early Release
- 6:15 Youth Group

Thursday, April 4

- 8:00 Rosary Club
- 6-7pm Holy Hour for Families

Friday, April 5

- 9:00 SCCS Principals Mtg (zoom)
- 3:00 Tour for 7th grade shadow student family
- 3:30-5 Brownies (library)

Monday, April 8

K-8 NO SCHOOL and No BASC

Preschool and PreK REGULAR SCHOOL DAY and REGULAR LLL Schedule