



Blessed Sacrament School
Wednesday Weekly
September 22, 2021

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Greeting Others

1. *Look at the person*
2. *Use a pleasant voice*
3. *Say "Hi" or "Hello"*

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

I want to piggy back off of our [Monday Minute](#) since there was so much truth and entertainment in the short video (please take a couple minutes to watch it if you haven't!). Sam Hamilton joined the Blessed Sacrament family during the '20-'21 school year. I remember first hearing Fr. Morin talk about Sam as "the best maintenance man in the Lincoln Diocese" and thinking that he must be exaggerating. After being around Sam for a little over four months, I can tell you that Father was most certainly not exaggerating! I have many stories that highlight Sam's hard work and problem-solving skills, his proactive and optimistic attitude, and his generosity. However, I think his response in the Monday Minute about the best part of his job speaks to his character the most: "Being of service to something that I feel is an actual good cause because if you're not doing something for somebody else, then you're going to be wasting your time." Having a person of true service to others like this roaming our halls and fixing/improving our school on a daily basis is an ideal witness for our students.

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING TONIGHT

The Confirmation Parent Meeting is tonight, September 22, in the gym from 6:30 to 8:00.

PICTURE RE-TAKES FRIDAY

Retakes will be on this Friday, September 24. Students can either come to school dressed up with their uniform to change into after pictures or they can wear their uniform for the re-take.

BSS SWEATSHIRT PURCHASES

It is finally starting to feel like fall, so please purchase your child(ren) a school sweatshirt if they don't already have one. They can be purchased [here](#), and the full-zip jacket is for staff purchase only. You have until **this Friday, September 24** to order a sweatshirt that will be delivered to the school and handed off to your children near the beginning/middle of October.

DINE OUT FUNDRAISER @ AMIGOS

*PTO will be sponsoring a Dine Out Fundraiser at Amigos on 56th and Old Cheney on **Tuesday, September 28** from 5-7pm. Dine in, drive thru, or carry out! Enjoy an evening without cooking, and 20% of the sale will be given back to Blessed Sacrament PTO. Your support is greatly appreciated and thank you for facilitating our mission of supporting our wonderful teachers and staff! Stop by the office to purchase Amigo's SCRIP for additional support for our school.*

FUND-A-WANT

*At Blessed Sacrament we are blessed to have amazing teachers and staff that help our children grow in their education and faith. There is no better way to show support to our teachers than helping them get the resources they need/want to have in their classroom to help our students become the best they can be. PTO is excited to sponsor the Fund-A-Want project. On this [Amazon wish list](#), there are supplies/tools our teachers are requesting for their classrooms. This project will run through **Friday October 15th**. Items can be shipped directly to Blessed Sacrament, 1725 Lake St, Lincoln, NE 68502 or you can bring them in. Thank you for helping us support our teachers. If you have any questions, please contact Clarissa Hunt at ceceluther@yahoo.com.*

SCRIP - SUPPORT BLESSED SACRAMENT

Did you know you can support our school simply by purchasing gift cards ahead of time for your everyday purchases? We carry many local gift cards like Russ's, Super Saver, Hy-Vee, Amigos, Runza, and more! [Click here](#) for our most current order form. Scrip will be available after this weekend's 8:30am and 10:00am masses. During the week, it is available at the Rectory across from school.

***NEW** You can also turn in your completed Scrip order form with payment to the office by this Friday, September 17; and it will be ready to pick up on Monday, September 20. For more information about Blessed Sacrament's Scrip program, please contact Jennie Korth at jefraz@yahoo.com.*

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE SIGN-UP

Conferences will be here before we know it—**Thursday, October 7**. Parents are required to attend this first conference. In Pre-K through 5th grade, we ask that you keep your children home if possible or that they sit quietly during the conferences if no other option is available. In 6th through 8th grade, we ask that your children participate with you during the conference. Click the links below to sign-up for a time that works best with your schedule:

[PreK–5 Sign-Ups
Sign-Ups](#)

[6-8 Sign-Ups](#)

[Specials/Electives](#)

TEAMMATES MENTORS NEEDED

Blessed Sacrament School is in the beginning stages of implementing the Teammates program. Do you want to make a difference in a young person's life? Teammates provides positive relationships, support, and encouragement for students. A mentor would meet with a student one time a week at Blessed Sacrament for 30 to 45 minutes. If you are interested, please contact Mary Thompson at mary-thompson1@cdolinc.net.

BSS VOLUNTEER HUB

We could always use more volunteers at Blessed Sacrament! To make it easier for you to know what is needed and to sign up, Sara Sharp has created a [BSS Volunteer Hub](#). The first tab explains how it works, and the rest of the tabs are different areas where volunteers may be needed. We are just getting it up and running, so not all tabs are prepared to accept volunteers at this moment, but they will once the events get closer. Thank you for donating your time to a worthy cause!

LEGO CLUB

Students who are too young to participate in Robotics, 1st through 3rd graders, are highly encouraged to join our new Lego Club sponsored by our very own Ms. Rettig. Meetings will be on Monday nights at the same time as Robotics (3:30-4:00) starting October 4. Please email Ms. Rettig at Alyssa-rettig@cdolinc.net if you are interested.

BOLT EXPO

Eighth-grade students and their families interested in learning more about Pius X High School should attend the Bolt Expo from 1:00 to 2:30pm on Saturday, Oct. 16 at Pius X, 6000 A St. Current students and staff from multiple clubs and activities will be on hand to share information about the school. This is an outdoor event, with tours of the building available. Pius X will begin registration for the 2022-2023 school year in February 2022. Learn more at <https://PiusX.net/expo>.

QPR TRAINING

In honor of suicide prevention month, Pius X has teamed up with Region V to host a community QPR training. QPR is an innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training. This program will train people to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade and refer someone for help. As adults working every day with children and adolescents, it's critical to realize the rate of suicide among those aged 10-24 increased nearly 60% between 2007 and 2018 (Center for Disease Control and Prevention). QPR training will help empower you to respond to a student or anyone in a time of crisis. Please consider signing up at <https://talkheart2heart.org/resources/qpr-training/>.

REMINDER OF UPDATED COVID POLICY

I have attached the updated COVID Prevention Policy and a document of possible testing sites for your convenience. Feel free to call the school if you have questions regarding this policy.

MUSIC ON THE TRAIL AT BSS

Another busy week *on the Trail* for Ms. Rettig's fourth graders! In a variety of ways, they experienced the highs and the lows of the Oregon Trail experience: sadness, longing, death, hope, jokes, laughter, scenic beauty and other shenanigans. The fourth graders composed our own folksong in memory of Baby Morgan, a 5-month-old baby who died while the family was crossing the Oregon Trail. On Tuesday, they took a virtual tour of the Oregon Historical Society to see *The Things They Brought* across the Trail. For photos, visit [Focus On Piano on Facebook](#). The residency is funded by the Nebraska Arts Council.

LINCOLN MOTHERS ON A MISSION

*MOMs will be meeting **Saturday, September 25th** @ 8:30am: "Peaceful Political Discourse" with Maria Benes. Lincoln MOMs is a group of Catholic mothers searching for fellowship, hope, & joy in our ever-changing vocation. Monthly meetings are held from 8:30-10:30 am at the Newman Center, St. Thomas Aquinas Church located at 320 N. 16th Street. Contact us at lincolnmomsgroup@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/lincolnmothersonamission.*