



Blessed Sacrament School
Wednesday Weekly
August 24, 2022

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Listening

1. *Look at the person who is talking and remain quiet.*
2. *Wait until the person is finished talking before you speak.*
3. *Show that you heard the person by nodding your head, saying "Okay," or "That's interesting," etc.*

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families:

As we all get back into our routines here at school, I've noticed a couple normalcies that we are struggling to get back into—not because of summer but because of the lingering effects of the pandemic. One of them that I miss the most is the good ol' fashion handshake during the sign of peace (or in any other occasion that it used to be called for). I do realize that not everyone had been keen on shaking what could be a stranger's hand during Mass before 2020, whether it be because of flu season or because they simply weren't comfortable with it. However, I do know that our students usually don't care about germs or the awkwardness of shaking someone's hand who isn't a good friend (up to a certain age). There is, of course, joy in making eye contact, smiling, and throwing up a peace sign or a wave; but I do miss the classic handshake that was much more common before 2020. I had the pleasure of seeing one of the first genuine handshakes from a Junior High student to one of our new Junior High students in Mass this morning. The smiles that spread across both faces were definitely one that will bring more peace to them throughout the day. I hope you all have a blessed and peaceful week yourselves!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

BSS SWEATSHIRT PURCHASES

You have until Friday 8am, August 26 to purchase Blessed Sacrament Sweatshirts. Go to the following link: https://stores.inksoft.com/blessed_sacrament/shop/home. Email Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net with any questions!

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

It is important for our school to have the most accurate contact information in case of an emergency. Please remember to return the forms you received last week if you haven't already. Thank you for taking the time to do this!

PTO PIZZA BOXING



PTO is doing pizza boxing for the Husker Home Football Games. There is a 16-year-old minimum age requirement to volunteer. The PTO receives **\$100 per volunteer** and with these funds the PTO is able to fund field trips, positive office referral parties, and so much more. Below are the dates and times of the first four football games and the number of volunteers we need. Please email Clarissa Hunt at ceceluther@yahoo.com or text/call 402-480-2225 if you can volunteer. These volunteer hours will go towards your family's 15 hours of stewardship hours. Thank you for helping the PTO. 🍕

September 3rd arrive at Memorial Stadium at 11:00 am. Need 1 more volunteer

September 10th arrive at Memorial Stadium at 2:45 pm. Need 5 more volunteers

September 17th arrive at Memorial Stadium at 8:00 am. Need 8 volunteers

October 1st arrive at Memorial Stadium at 2:45 pm. Need 7 volunteers

7-8 GRADE SPORTS

Volleyball will start on the first full week after Labor Day (Sep. 12) and run through mid-October. Cross Country will have the following meet dates: **League dates** - Sept. 17, Sept. 24, Oct. 1 and **optional meets** - September 3 in Beatrice and State Meet in Papillion on October 8. Please sign up in the front office if you are interested!

CLOVER COMETS 4H CLUB

The Clover Comets 4H Club will begin meeting on the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month** (full calendar will be sent later) with our **first meeting on September 6**. The meetings will begin **right after school until 4:30pm**. Club dues will be \$10 per member or \$20 per family with more than 2 kids. Checks should be made out to "*Clover Comets 4H Club*." If your child would like to be part of the 4H Club this year or if you have any questions, please email Caitlyn-Schmidt@cdolinc.net.

PIUS FUNDRAISER

Pius X Foundation needs your help to receive \$100,000 from Union Bank & Trust's "The Big Give." Help Pius X build a new front entrance to enhance our school's safety and security, while creating a central "welcome center" for students' families and visiting community members. **By August. 26: Please VOTE at piusx.net/biggive, and SHARE this with everyone you know!**

PICTURE DAY

Picture day is **Thursday, September 1** this year. Students are able to dress up for the day if they'd like to. We want them looking their best, so please no jeans or athletic wear. Please no words or inappropriate pictures on shirts/dresses. If the outfit is sleeveless, they must bring a cardigan or jacket. Skirts/dresses must be no shorter than two inches above the knee.

FEST QUEST

The Fest Quest Committee is requesting that each Blessed Sacrament School family donate one bag of mini/fun size, individually wrapped **candy**. The candy will be used as prizes for the children's games at Fest Quest on Sunday, September 25. Donations can be brought to the school office, and will be collected through **Friday, September 23**. Thank you for supporting Fest Quest, our Church, and School through your donation!

HEALTH CHECKS

Health checks will be the morning of September 14 for grades 1-6, and 8.

NOMINATIONS

In addition to the years of service recognition, the Diocese will be taking nominations for five newly created awards. The new Diocesan Education Awards are as follows:

- St. Thomas Aquinas Award (Administrator of the Year)
- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award (Elementary Educator of the Year)
- St. John Cantius (Secondary Educator of the Year)
- St. Catherine of Alexandria (Special Education/Underserved Communities Educator of the Year)
- St. John Bosco (Support Staff Member of the Year)

Each recipient will receive a \$250 cash award plus \$250 for their school's library. The recipients will be publicly recognized at the Saints & Scholars Dinner and through diocesan communications channels.

Please nominate a member of our school if you believe they deserve this award using the following link: <https://forms.office.com/r/JS2UcAVfAU>. Nominations are due by noon on Friday, September 9.

PLAID UNIFORM DONATIONS

If your children have outgrown the older BSS plaid or purchased the newer pattern, your old skirts/skorts/jumpers can be donated to another school in Kansas who wears that same pattern. Please bring your plaid to the front office, and we will get them donated. Thank you!