



Blessed Sacrament School
Wednesday Weekly
January 11, 2023

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Staying on Task

1. *Look at your task or assignment.*
2. *Think about the steps needed to complete the task.*
3. *Focus all of your attention on the task.*
4. *Stop working only when instructed.*
5. *Ignore distractions and interruptions from others.*

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

I want to highlight some of YOU this week! Parents who have students receiving First Communion, First Penance, and/or Confirmation this year have been asked to attend two discussion meetings; which is a bit different than past years. I had the privilege of helping lead one of them yesterday after school. Since I used to be an English/literature teacher, I was probably a little too excited about helping come up with discussion questions and leading a small group discussion alongside Ms. Mika and Mrs. Wetovick. We had almost 20 parents come, and although I couldn't entice many to eat Eileen's Cookies, there were three lively discussions happening for about 45 of the 60 minutes we were there. A couple of the larger groups probably would have kept discussing for another 30 minutes. Besides sharing wonderful insights about our faith, the thing that excited me most was the connections being made among our BSS parents (including some CCD parents). Leading your child in a life of faith while also modeling it ~~can be~~ *is* difficult and having connections with others to create a support system is nearly essential. Thank you, parents, for the extra mile you go in prioritizing the faith of your children.

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

FACTS & GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOLARSHIP '23-'24

Attached is information about the Good Shepherd Scholarship program for next year (*Spanish translation coming soon!*). This is a simple scholarship to receive, but you must apply to receive it! Families whose income level is below 225% of the federal poverty level or have more than 3 students enrolled in any Lincoln Diocese Catholic School (regardless of income) are eligible to receive the scholarship. You only have to apply. We had qualifying families not receive the scholarship last year because they didn't apply. ***Our application process is now open and must be completed by March 31.*** Use the following link to apply to FACTS: <https://online.factsmgmt.com/signin/4GVQP>. Please let us now if you need help with the application process. Contact Melissa at Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net or 402-476-6202 with any questions.

DRESS DOWN DAY

One of our Positive Office Referral raffle winners picked this **Friday, January 13** for a dress down day. Reminder that students should not wear leggings as pants and no shorts. Sweatpants are acceptable!

BISHOP'S DAY OFF

Our Bishop granted a day off, and it will be **Friday, March 24**. I have attached an updated calendar. You can also access the calendar on the [school website](#).

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK EVENTS

The daily schedule isn't quite set for CSW, but there are two events that we want to highlight, so you all have time to plan:

Monday, January 30: Grandparents/Parents Day

Grandparents and/or parents are welcome to join us at daily Mass (8:15) and afterward for doughnuts in the gym. [RSVP here!](#)



Friday, February 2: Community Day

We invite you and your families to join us for our Food Festival from 12:00 to dismissal at 1pm. RSVP & sign up [here](#) or use the QR code. A flier with more information is attached!

PIUS X DANCE TEAM FUNDRAISERS

The Pius X Dance Team has a couple upcoming events on **Saturday, January 14** for younger and older students. See attached flyers for more details!

LIL' RED 60 M DASH

Cody Brousek, Director of Operations for the University of Nebraska Track & Field Team (and proud member of the Lincoln Diocese) invites BSS K-7 students to the Lil' Red 60 M. Dash! This event is a fun way to invite local elementary students to attend a collegiate track meet! This year's event will take place on **Saturday, January 21** during our Mark Colligan Memorial. Admission for the track meet is **\$1** and for each student that signs up to participate their admission will include a free hot dog after the race! Check in for the Lil' Red 60 M. Dash begins at **12:30pm** and the race(s) will begin at 1:30pm.

If you plan to attend, sign up [HERE](#). This is simply a way for our staff to have a general idea of attendance! Sign up will also be allowed on the day of the event!

PIUS X OPEN HOUSE

Pius X New Student Open House will be **Monday, February 6th** at 7pm. There will be an information session at 7 to be followed by an opportunity for families to travel around the building to find out more information about clubs, sports, and fine arts.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR (23-24)

First day of school: August 16 – Noon dismissal

Thanksgiving break: November 22-24

Christmas break for students: December 20 (1pm dismissal) – January 3

Easter Break: March 28–April 2

Last day of school: May 23–full day