



**Blessed Sacrament School**  
**Wednesday Weekly**  
**November 29, 2023**

*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 had the pleasure of receiving an email from a parent who requested one of our teachers receive a Positive Office Referral. I have no idea if this parent knew that we did extend our program to teachers this year or not, but I was so excited to have the chance to give a POR to a teacher through a parent nomination. This parent (don't worry, I will keep you anonymous!) took a little stumble on the way back to his/her car from dropping of a child. One of our teachers, who was walking her students to Mass at the time, triple checked to make sure this parent was okay and offered a trip to the office to get some ice. This was such an excellent model for her class and clearly appreciated by this parent! Please know that if you'd ever like to email me about a Positive Office Referral nomination for a teacher or staff member when you catch them going above and beyond, it is always very welcome. We have an amazing staff here, and the more we can celebrate them, the better!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

**PAGE ONE KICK-OFF EVENT**

Page One club is starting back up! Page One is a reading club for any student in **grades 3-8** that focuses on getting students to read different types of literature, read for enjoyment, and identify themselves as readers. There will be an informational meeting on **December 1 at 6:30pm in the gym followed by a movie and snacks!** See the attached flyer for more information. Registration forms will be available at the meeting and in the school office. If you have any questions please contact Megan Katzmarek at [megan-katzmarek@cdolinc.net](mailto:megan-katzmarek@cdolinc.net). Thank you!

**THE DAYS OF GIVING**

In light of our December virtue of the month, generosity, we will be having The Days of Giving. There will be six days throughout December where your children will be asked to donate a specific category of items for a various number of charities/causes. There will be a prize associated each day of giving for the class who proportionately brings the most donations. Items will be brought directly to the homeroom teacher. I know this can be a tough time of year financially, so please only give what you are able. Below is the schedule for each day with the **first Day of Giving being this Friday, December 1:**

**Dec. 1 – Toiletries with a prize of candy canes**

Dec. 5 – **Canned food** with a prize of sugar cookies

Dec. 7 – **\*Books** with a prize of "Read and Feed"

Dec. 11 – **\*Toys** with a prize of a game day during library class

Dec. 13 – **Christmas cards to the sick/elderly written at home** with a prize of a Christmas movie

Dec. 15 – **\*Winter clothing (anything from socks to coats)** with a prize of a dress down day

*The donations will be taken to a wide variety of places in need including CSS, People City Mission, Children's Hospital, Nursing Home, and City Impact.*

**\*New or gently used**

## PTO 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 some extra resources 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 additional supplies/tools our teachers are requesting for their classrooms. If you are unsure of what to buy you are welcome to purchase a gift card and the PTO will compile them and make a purchase with them. This project will run through this **Friday, December 1st**. Items can be shipped directly to Blessed Sacrament at 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](mailto:ceceluther@yahoo.com) or 402-480-2225.

## BSS EXTENDED CARE WORKERS NEEDED

This position is open for second semester of this '23-'24 school year. Duties include co-supervising a small group of students one or more days a week (openings on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays) at Blessed Sacrament School from 3:15 to 5:45 at the very latest. Keep in mind that if you have children at Blessed Sacrament School, they could attend Extended Care the days you work for free, and you would receive a discount on tuition in addition to regular pay. If interested, please email [megan-brown@cdolinc.net](mailto:megan-brown@cdolinc.net).

## BSS ANNUAL OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP

This Saturday, December 2, our parish is hosting our annual outdoor clean-up directly after 8:15am Mass. Bring rakes, leave catchers, tarps, hedge trimmers, leaf blowers, and anything that might be useful for cleaning up our outdoor areas. This is an opportunity for us to come together to let the world know how much we love our parish church and school. Also keep in mind that **families and students can earn service hours**.

## JUNIOR HIGH BAND CONCERT

Our Junior High Band students will be showcased in a Christmas Band Concert **on Tuesday, December 5 at 6:45pm** at Pius. See attachment for details!

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

Due to our 1pm dismissal being on a Thursday, we will **not** be able to offer Extended Care. Sorry for any inconvenience this causes. Please have your children picked up by 1:15pm. And don't forget that we don't have school on Friday, December 8 in order to celebrate the Immaculate Conception.

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION YOUTH CHOIR

All students in grades 3-8 are encouraged to participate in singing for Immaculate Conception Mass on **Friday, December 8!** Meet at 6:00pm at the front entrance to the school for rehearsal; Mass is at 7:00pm.



## DINE OUT

Come join us for our next DINE OUT at McDonald's at 2140 K Street, on **Thursday Dec 7th from 4:00pm-7:00pm**. PTO will receive 20% of all purchases that evening. You can also purchase SCRIP through the school or the Raise Right App to help benefit the school and church further. Look forward to seeing you there!

## **SCRIP**

Don't forget about SCRIP as you start your holiday shopping! **Special orders must be received by December 9 in order to have them by December 22.** Visit <https://www.raiseright.com/shop> to view all the gift cards available. Use gift cards when grocery shopping for your large family gatherings! Have family who is hard to shop for? *I see you mom of the picky tweenager.* Lots of gift cards starting at \$5! Not sure what to get your kids' teachers? We have SCRIP gift certificates so they can pick exactly what they want or there is a **teacher wish list attached** to guide you to their favorite spots! Scrip will be available between Masses this Sunday and during regular Rectory hours. Contact Jennie Korth at [jenniekorth@gmail.com](mailto:jenniekorth@gmail.com) or text 402-366-4218 for more information or to place special orders.

## **MONTHLY CALENDAR**

A monthly calendar has been added to the school website. I have attached it as well. Please reference this as much as you'd like as you plan out each month!

## **STANDARD RESPONSE PROTOCOL**

Attached is a handout that outlines the protocols we have in place for different times of crisis that we practice here at school but will hopefully never have to use. We will have our quarterly Lockdown drill before Christmas break, and an email will always go out before these specific drills in case some extra care needs to be taken with specific students. Please email Mrs. Tran with any questions!