



Blessed Sacrament School
Wednesday Weekly
December 21, 2023

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Appropriate Voice Tone

1. Listen to the level of the voices around you.
2. Change your voice to match.
3. Watch and listen for visual or verbal cues and adjust your voice as needed.

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

Our JH Comets Basketball team played their last game on Tuesday night. It was an exciting game with some unpredictable twists; however, there was one moment that stood out to me the most. This moment wasn't the many three pointers that were made or any strategic steals or passes. This moment was a reaction to a single player's 2-point shot. This seventh grader has played the entire season, and he made his first basket last night. The reaction to the score made me about cry (and I won't blame my pregnancy on that one!). The look of pure (shocked) joy on the player's face, the entire team rushing to scream some form of "congratulation" to him, and the crowd absolutely erupting were all such wonderful experiences. And the joy and motherly pride that came from his mother sitting behind me with this first goal and the support of the entire community for her son was even more beautiful. It was tough ending such a great season with a loss, but moments like that first goal are overwhelmingly more important than winning a JH basketball game. I hope you all have moments of joy like this over your Christmas break and are able to thank God for the experiences of joy that come with Jesus' birth and being around loved ones.

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

TEXTBOOK LOAN FORMS

If you have not turned in your Textbook Loan form **filled out and signed FRONT and BACK**, please do **so as soon as possible**. If you have any questions, please feel free to email or stop in the office. We can help you fill it out in the office if need be!

LUNCH MENU

Our cook is out of the country for the holidays and will have the menu completed upon return. In the meantime, here is what's on the menu for our first two days back:

- Thursday, January 4: Fish sticks, macaroni and cheese, corn, applesauce
- Friday, January 5: Cheese pizza, romaine lettuce/broccoli, peaches

BLESSED SACRAMENT QUARTERLY, ISSUE #2

Mrs. Katzmarek and our JH Journalism class have worked hard to bring you our second Blessed Sacrament Quarterly Issue. They've really stepped it up this quarter, so be sure you take the time to read what has been happening at BSS along with highlights of our students and teachers! Issue is attached.

PTO DINE OUT



Mark your calendars for the next Dine Out at Panera Bread, **January 11th from 4-8 pm** at the 1424 Pine Lake Road location. The PTO will receive 25% of the sales that mention Blessed Sacrament. There is also SCRIP available and SCRIP will receive 8% back on all gift card purchases. Look forward to see you there!

BSS EXTENDED CARE WORKER NEEDED

We have only one opening left on **Thursdays** for second semester of this '23-'24 school year. Duties include co-supervising a small group of students 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.

SCRIP

Gift Cards from SCRIP make great stocking stuffers! Scrip will be available during regular Rectory hours for those last-minute gifts. Contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com or text 402-366-4218 for more information. Thanks to the many families who used SCRIP this year, we were able to donate \$1,000 each to St. Vincent de Paul, St. Philomena/St. Rita Oblation Fund, and the Blessed Sacrament PTO to help fulfill the Teachers' Fund-A-Want lists.

YOUTH CHOIR – CHRISTMAS EVE

All children of the parish grades 3-8 are invited to participate in youth choir for Christmas Eve. There are 2 options for rehearsal: either Sunday, December 17 from 3:00-4:00 PM, OR Tuesday December 19 from 3:30-4:30 PM, both in the school music room (it is not necessary to attend both rehearsals). For any questions or to indicate your child's interest, please contact Julia DeLaRosa Lang at (254) 405-0928.

OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP OF NEBRASKA

With the new legislative bill, families who are coming from public school to a non-public school (this includes all Kindergarteners) will have the opportunity to apply for a Nebraska scholarship. Details are attached and you can start the simple application process with no extra cost here:

www.nebraskaopportunity.org.

POPE FRANCIS ARTICLE

If you have been following recent news about Pope Francis, this articles explains the meaning behind recent wordings and conclusions: [Blessings of Mercy: Understanding Fiducia Supplicans \(mailchi.mp\)](http://Blessings of Mercy: Understanding Fiducia Supplicans (mailchi.mp)).