



Blessed Sacrament School
Wednesday Weekly
December 18, 2024

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,

Thank you for supporting your children by attending the Christmas Program on Monday night. It is so fun to see the gym packed with families and the big smiles both on the stage and in the audience when the singing begins. Although the program lasted not much longer than 30 minutes, so much behind-the-scenes work was put into making it a success. Mrs. Furrow worked with the students for almost two months planning, practicing, and directing. Our Fine Arts Committee made sure the gym was decorated and ready to go. Mr. Sam Hamilton single-handedly put up the stage, built a stable over the weekend when we realized our old one had been tossed, and he made sure all of the technology was working as it should. And, of course, our teachers kept students in line as they rehearsed and on the night of. It takes a village, and all of the hard work paid off. I hope you enjoy the rest of the Advent season and have a very Merry Christmas!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

FRIDAY – 1PM DISMISSAL

This Friday will be a dress down day (Lenten and Christmas themes are highly encouraged!) and a 1pm dismissal. Please have students picked up by 1:15pm unless they plan to go to Extended Care, which will be offered. School will resume on Tuesday, January 7.

CHRISTMAS BONUS FUND

@Clarissa-Luther-Hunt



Please consider helping Blessed Sacrament PTO continue the tradition of providing a generous Christmas bonus to every Blessed Sacrament School teacher and staff member. Join us again this year in acknowledging the substantial contributions and efforts of these important people who, on a daily basis, make such an important difference in the spiritual, intellectual, emotional and physical development of our children. Your contribution is appreciated and will make a difference no matter what the amount. We hope you will consider adding this gift to your Christmas giving list this year. Please send your donation via your child's backpack or drop off at the school

(Please make checks out to Blessed Sacrament PTO in an enclosed envelope labeled PTO) or send via Venmo to PTO President Clarissa Hunt (link attached) by **TODAY**. Thank you for your consideration of a Christmas bonus gift which will provide a special thank you to our cherished teachers and staff.

<https://venmo.com/u/Clarissa-Luther-Hunt>

DAYS OF GIVING

This year, we will focus on donating the same category of items a week at a time with each grade working towards meeting a specific goal. There will be no competition among the grades, and although the **ultimate goal is to help others in need**, each grade will have an incentive to reach their highest goal.

- **Week #3 Dec. 16-20:** Unperishable food or decorated placemats for assisted living/nursing home meals (placemats will be provided if requested)

[Lincoln Food Market- most needed items](#)

Items will be donated towards a variety of Lincoln establishments/causes.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

All students grades 3-8 who love singing are encouraged to participate in a choir for the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass on **Tuesday, December 24**. Practice will begin at 4:30pm (meeting at the entrance of the school - we will walk from there to the school music room) to sing for the 5:30pm evening mass. Please contact Adam Lange with any questions - (605) 660-9756 or adamlange0@gmail.com

PAGE ONE MOVIE NIGHT

Don't forget that Page One club is starting back up second semester! 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. Registration forms are available in the school office. Meetings will begin in January and a notice of the date will be in the first Wednesday Weekly after break. If you have any questions, please contact myself, Maureen Mattern at mmattern72@gmail.com or Mr. Ambs at joseph-ambs@cdolinc.net.

SPORTS COMMITTEE

For the 2025-2026 school year, our AD Mr. Cappel is starting a sports committee. This committee would be in charge of having three fundraisers. Funding would assist with purchasing and maintaining items including, but not limited to, new jerseys, volleyball net, and volleyball stands. Please sign up [here](#) if you're interested in joining the committee. Thank you!

SCRIP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Don't forget about Scrip gift cards as you start your holiday shopping!

- Hy-Vee, Russ's, Super Saver or Walmart are great when buying groceries 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!

The list of cards we have in stock can be found [here](#), but 100s of brands are also available on RaiseRight.com. Scrip is available during regular Rectory hours and between masses on select Sundays. Watch Blessed Sacrament's social media channels for announcements!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR (2025-2026)

First day of school: Tuesday, August 19 – Noon dismissal

Thanksgiving break: November 26-28

Christmas break for students: December 19 (1pm dismissal) – January 5

Easter Break: April 2-7

Last day of school: Thursday, May 21 – full day

