

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Having a Conversation

- 1. Look at the person.
- 2. Use a pleasant voice.
- 3. Listen to what the other person says.
- 4. When there is a break in the conversation, ask a question or share your thoughts.

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families,

We had our most beautiful Living Stations today led by the 8th grade class and organized/directed by Mr. Buchkoski and Sr. Marie Caritas. The 8th graders did living stations last year, but the idea to have them do it on our final day before Easter break was brilliant (I believe the credit goes to our two organizers). This group had many practices and worked hard to have everything prepared just right as a memorable and worthy tribute to a crucial piece to our Catholic faith. The 8th graders did a wonderful job, and all were engaged with each station from kindergarten to our visiting parishioners and parents. I hope you all have a reflective rest of your Holy Week and a very blessed Easter!

In Christ,

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

EASTER BREAK

There will be no school from Thursday, April 16 through Tuesday, April 22. School will resume on Wednesday, April 23 with a fun surprise in each classroom (if you can spot it!). As a way to celebrate Easter, Wednesday, April 23 will be a dress down day and bright celebratory colors are encouraged!

2025-2026 REGISTRATION

Register by May 23 to be part of a raffle to win one of three \$50 gift cards of your choice (through Scrip). If you register **by May 1, you will get two tickets** per child. Use the following link to begin the process: https://www.cdolinc.net/enrollment. *Returning Student Enrollment* will be selected for a student that has been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School. *New Student Enrollment* will be selected for any student that has NOT been enrolled previously in a Diocese of Lincoln Catholic School (i.e Pre-K or Kindergartener that has not been in Pre-K). After filling out this form, PowerSchool will then send an email for the parent to continue registering the new student. Email <u>Melissa-tvrdy@cdolinc.net</u> with any questions you have.

EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

We are accepting nominations for Educator of the Year: <u>Educator of the Year Nomination</u>). The attached document contains the award categories and a link and QR code for the nomination form. Nominations will be accepted until **April 18**, 2025.

JUNIOR HIGH DANCE

The PTO is excited to be hosting a Jr High Dance, **Friday April 25th from 7-9 pm**, but we need volunteers to help everything run smoothly. Please see the attached sign up to volunteer. Thank you! <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805054DACAA2DAAF85-56217622-junior</u>

ARTS APPRECIATION NIGHT – TUESDAY, APRIL 29

Arts Appreciation Night is quickly approaching—**Tuesday, April 29 at 6:30pm** beginning in the school gym. Doors open at 6:05pm and students should arrive no later than 6:15pm and go to their homeroom (JH will go to the main hallway). We will hear a few songs from our elementary and junior high band members. The Music Program's theme this year is "Disney: The Movies, The Music." Students have the option to dress in a Disney costume to add to the Disney fun!

Costumes need to be from an **animated** Disney movie (no Avengers costumes for example) and they may not wear any masks. They also have the option to wear Mickey Mouse ears if they have those. If your student wants to dress in a costume specific to their songs, here are the movies each grade is singing from:

- PreK-2nd grade: Mickey Mouse March, Peter Pan, and The Jungle Book
- 3rd-5th: Mary Poppins, The Little Mermaid, and The Lion King
- Choir: Frozen and Moana

Dressing in theme is optional, and students can wear their uniform or dress in their Sunday best as well. After the band and singers have performed, you are welcome to roam the 3rd-5th and main hallways to look at artwork along with the Meeting Room (room next to the main office) and Music Room (room next to 3rd grade) to see students' ceramic projects. See you there!

NEBRASKA CATHOLIC DAY OF GIVING – APRIL 21 - MAY 7

Please consider donating to Blessed Sacrament. The advanced giving window opens on **April 21**, and the official Day of Giving is **May 7**: <u>Donate here</u>! We encourage you to share this link with any friends or family who value our Nebraska Catholic Schools. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

CSS SUSTAINABILITY OPEN HOUSE

On **April 24**, the community is invited to Catholic Social Services' Earth Week Event from 3pm-6:30pm at 2241 O Street! We'll have lots of fun activities for all ages, including a coloring contest, insect viewing & nature exhibits, local Food Trucks, CSS Community Garden Tour. Share & learn about Care for Creation and Catholic Social Teaching, including our in-progress Catholic Social Services Sustainability Plan! Ride your bike, take the bus, or consider carpooling as an opportunity to include friends, students, or neighbors who may not have a ride to the event.

SCRIP

Thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards through Scrip in 2024! We raised over \$5,800 for Blessed Sacrament which helped pay for things like the new tables in the gym. Did you know that if every adult in the Blessed Sacrament parish bought a \$100 gift card to purchase groceries we would raise over \$7,000 for our church & school? What if they did it every month for a year? Next time you see the green Scrip sign outside school, stop by and see how quick & easy it is to support Blessed Sacrament without spending any extra money! Until then, visit <u>http://tinyurl.com/4ucn4t29</u> or contact Jennie Korth at jenniekorth@gmail.com to learn more!

CK SISTERS OUTDOOR SPRING WORKDAY

On **Saturday, May 10, 1:30-4:30pm**, the Sisters will be planting their vegetable garden, cleaning up flower beds, mulching, and cutting trees. Helpful items to bring include wheelbarrows, shovels, gloves, pruning/lopping shears, hoes, pickups, and chainsaws. Children are also welcome! Mark your calendars now and contact Sister Mary Angela at sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net if you would like to come and help. Please also print and complete a liability form (one per adult; children added to adult form.) Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th St., about 2 miles west and south of Pioneers Park (walk-ins also welcome).

PIUS X HOLY HOOPS

Please join us for another Thunderbolts Youth Basketball Assoc. Event – HOLY HOOPS on Sunday, April 13 at Pius X High School. It will be an afternoon of basketball, faith, fellowship, and fun. It's a great opportunity to continue to develop your basketball skills. There will also be team competitions. 3rd-5th grade boys from 2:00-3:30 & 6th-8th grade boys from 4:00-6:00. The cost is \$10 to attend. Please register by April 9th by e-mailing your son's name and grade to boltsyouthhoops@gmail.com.

NEBRASKA'S SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

This program which provides free summer meals to kids and teens (ages 1 – 18) may be available in your area at select locations. The meals help ensure children continue to receive nutritious meals when school is out for the summer. There are numerous open summer meal sites throughout the state of Nebraska. Call 2-1-1 or text FOOD to 877-877. Visit <u>https://www.fns.usda.gov/meals4kids</u> or <u>http://www.education.ne.gov/NS/SFSP/index.html</u>. Get updates via Twitter at #NESummerMeals and the Nebraska Department of Education-Nutrition Services' Facebook page.