SAINT CAJETAN SCHOOL www.stcajetanschool.org 773.474.7820 phone 10/9/ 2020



## Enjoy the long weekend! No School Friday, October 9 and Monday, October 12

Parents,

Let's give it up for returning to school for 7 full weeks!!! We are doing this- representing a National model of education during the times of Covid. We should be more than proud of that. I know I have said this already, but I have to say it again - our parents have been STELLAR in being proactive and keeping us informed of illnesses. Thank you, thank you!!

I also want to take a moment to address something more serious. We have a team of people who have worked incredibly hard to create the amazing reputation that St. Cajetan has today. I cannot tell you the number of people who positively comment on our staff, students and community. Although some say I shouldn't, I take ALL matters involving St. Cajetan personally. Recently, there have been a number of incidents in the community that have negatively reflected on our school due to the inappropriate choices of our students. I have received multiple emails from community members who are reasonably upset with the actions of our kids. I accept full responsibility for every incident, email, or social media post that shines our school in a negative light, and that is why I am asking for your help today.

Parents - please engage in a dinner conversation with your child about their role and responsibility in our community. Whether your child is on the basketball court or in a TikTok video, they are representing St. Cajetan. Their decisions in public platforms impact every student within our school, whether we think that is fair or not. It takes just ONE negative post about a St. Cajetan student to negate the hours and hours of work that our Warrior family has put into creating our positive reputation.

I encourage you all to randomly invite your child to sit next to you on the couch and then ask them to pull up their Snapchat, Tik Tok, or Twitter accounts.. If your child has a screen name or user name that is affiliated with gangs, drugs, sex, or racism, please have them change it. There is enough hate in this world and we certainly do not need to add to it.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Mrs. Nitsche

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We love our Catholic schools employees. Our teachers and staff have worked tirelessly this school year to bring guality in-person and remote learning to students. We hope you will help us recognize their hard work and dedication.

Nominate your #SchoolHero: http://ow.ly/P6jK50Blj1A



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### AMAZON SMILE

You can make a difference while you shop Amazon Prime Day deals on October 13 & 14. Simply shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/36-2170962 or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app and AmazonSmile donates to St Cajetan Parish & School.

### **DOGS ON THE PARKING LOT/ SIDEWALKS**

Parents- we ask that no dogs are brought on school grounds. We have students who are allergic and also very afraid. If you do want to take your dog for a walk, simply wait across the street and your child can meet you there. Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this matter.

#### FIGHTING FOR FINLEY T-SHIRT SALE EXTENDED

Our Fighting for Finley t-shirt sales were a HUGE success!! We are so blessed to have so many community members supporting our little angel and her family. We know some people did not make the cut off so we are opening the online store again. The store opens TODAY and will close on October 18th. Items will start to ship on October 23rd. Click the link if you would like to place an order. https://fightingforfinley.itemorder.com/

#### FROM THE CARDINAL:

We are now entering flu season. Please review this <u>VIDEO</u> from Cardinal Cupich about flu season. In addition, here is a letter from cardinal in **English** 

#### **GOLDEN APPLE APPLICATIONS**

Nominations for the 2021 Golden Apple Awards for Excellence in Teaching & Leadership are now open! Are there teachers or leaders who you feel deserve recognition for their superior service to our students, school, and community? Show your appreciation to a teacher going above and beyond for students at your school with a Golden Apple Award nomination- <u>https://www.goldenapple.org/nominate-a-teacher</u>

#### HEALTH FORM REMINDERS

The State of Illinois requires the following be on file by October 15:

All New Students, Kindergarten, and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade have a physical examination on file in the school

- All students in Kindergarten have a vision exam on file in the school
- All students in the grades Kindergarten, 2nd and 6<sup>th</sup> have a dental examination on file in the school

#### Exclusion from School

According to the School Code of Illinois, if a child does not comply by October 15, 2020 or by the earlier established date of the current school year, with all of the physical examination and immunization requirements, then the local school authority shall exclude that child from school until such time as the child presents proof of having had the health examination as required and presents proof of having received those required immunizations which are medically possible to receive. Required components of the health examination include health history, diabetes screening, lead risk assessment or testing, and complete physical examination.



#### QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE ~ SHE'S BACK!

Our Queen of Hearts Raffle is back with the projected pot to be at \$118,000! Tickets are sold everyday at McNally's (111th & Western). The next drawing takes place on Saturday, October 24 at 7pm at McNally's. Good luck! flyer

### **UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION~ PLEASE EDIT IN POWERSCHOOL**

We use Power School information to contact you or your emergency contacts in case of an emergency. Please update these contacts. Check your account by following the steps below:

- Go to your child's page at <u>https://archchicago.powerschool.com/public/</u>
- In the column on the left, scroll down and click on "Re-Registration"
- It will ask you if you want to make changes- click "edit"
- Review all information and make changes if applicable
- Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click **submit**.

We appreciate you taking the time to double-check your account. You can also do this anytime during the year if your address, phone, or emergency contact changes. Contact Jane Collins <u>icollins@cajetan.org</u> if you need help gaining access to your PowerSchool account.

#### SICKNESS UPDATE:

#### **Sibling Policy:**

If a child in your home has Covid like symptoms or is being tested for Covid, all siblings must remain home until that child is cleared by the doctor.

### Other:

- 1. A doctor's note is required for students who develop COVID-19-like symptoms but are diagnosed by a doctor or healthcare provider (e.g., nurse practitioner or physician's assistant) as having another illness (e.g. cold, flu, etc.). The student must have a note from the provider indicating a specific alternate diagnosis if the individual wants to return prior to a complete 10-day isolation. And the individual may not return until symptoms recede per provider's instructions. If the individual chooses not to get an alternate diagnosis confirmed in writing then the individual must meet the criteria for returning as if it is a COVID-19 positive case (see below).
- 2. A doctor's note is not required but the test results are for....

- a. COVID-19 positive. For the individual to return to school he or she must have:
  - i. remained at home for 10 days,
  - ii. no fever for 24 hours (without medication), and
  - iii. a general reduction of other symptoms by 75% or more.
- b. Sent home because of a single COVID-19-like symptom, but whose symptom dissipates within 24 hours. As per the <u>Reported Illness Actions and Questions Guidelines</u> these individuals may return to school if symptoms have dissipated and they have not been exposed to any sick individual. If symptoms have not dissipated within 24 hours see #1 above.

# Market Day.

Market Day is back!! Although they are not offering as many items, it is still a great way to directly earn money for our school  $\sim \frac{\text{Register now for Market Day}}{\text{How to register for Market Day}}$ 

### **HIGH SCHOOL NEWS**

Marist HS Admission Video Marist HS Virtual Tour

Mother McAuley HS Fall Sports Clinics Mother McAuley HS Mactoberfest

Mt. Carmel HS Honors Program Preview Mt. Carmel HS Private Tour

St. Laurence HS Leader/Scholar Award flyer St. Laurence HS Coffee & Conversation St. Laurence HS Personal Tour Night St. Laurence HS Virtual Open House St. Laurence HS Get to Know St. Laurence

St. Rita HS Open House

COMMUNITY NEWS Chicago Public Library Boy Scout flyer

Schoolbelles Overstock Sale flyer

