### From the Principal's Desk



May 5, 2022



# Holy Spirit School Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts 2021/2022

"In work there is dignity"

# A Beautiful Day for a May Crowning







We took advantage of this beautiful May day, to pray the Rosary and to ask our Mother Mary to intercede on our behalf and to take our prayers to her Son, Jesus. Today we prayed for our 2nd graders as they prepare to make their First Holy Communion this weekend and next; we prayed for all mothers; and we prayed for peace both here in our country and across the world.



On behalf of all of the faculty and staff, thank you to everyone for the week of treats and thoughtful gifts for Teacher Appreciation Week. Mrs. Tobin and her team of volunteers have been nothing short of amazing.

We are blessed to have the opportunity to work with your children each day and to watch them grow in their love of God and in the development of their intellect.

We look forward to seeing all of the mothers tomorrow for Mass and small receptions in the classrooms.

We are super excited for FIELD DAY! It is right around the corner on May 13 for grades kindergarten through 8th. Be sure to look at the information included in the PTO section on some specifics. The prekindergarten students will have their own day of fun on May 20th; be sure to watch for information from your teachers. If you are looking for volunteer hours, be sure to set up an account in Connect1 and check out the sign-ups for Field Day.

Have you registered for the 5K Spirit Run to support our awesome Resource Department on May 21st? Are YOU faster than Father?

We are also in need of Course Marshall volunteers to help make the run a true success! Click below to sign up - thank you!

Volunteer at the 5K Race!



Earlier in the year, Bishop Burbidge and the Office of Catholic Schools gifted to the employees of the Diocese access to Hallow. For those not familiar with the APP, it is a Catholic prayer and mediation APP. It as been a wonderful addition to our prayer lives and we are grateful to Bishop for his generosity.

At yesterday's principals meeting, a representative from Hallow met with everyone and announced they are offering to families an extended 90 day trial of full access to the APP. If you have not had the opportunity to use Hallow, this is a great opportunity to see how it can so easily fit into your life.

Simply use the below link to activate your trial.

Hallow - Free 90 Day Trial

## -Maureen Ashby

#### **Principal**



# Holy Spirit 5K Spirit Run HUBPID PACE

May 21, 2022

8:00am Holy Spirit School



**Register Today!** 



www.holyspiritflames.org/5K-spirit-run/

READY TO SIGN UP?

SPONSOR INFORMATION

# It's right around the corner!



May 25, 2022

6, 7, 8<sup>th</sup> Grades 11:15-12:00

3, 4, 5<sup>th</sup> Grades 11:50-12:35

K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades 12:25-1:10

Prek - watch for information from your teacher as to the time

Students should bring a bag lunch and a towel/blanket on which to sit. We will eat on the parish lawn and enjoy the great outdoors!

Parents are encouraged to join us!
Please do not forget there is NO hot lunch served this day.



# Holy Spirit Virtual

Art Show 2022



When: Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>-Friday May 20th Link will be posted on Schoology pages

Where to view: Visit your child's Power learning page for Art and social media.



Hello Holy Spirit School Parents,

Field Day is quickly approaching! Here's what you need to know:

Field Day T-Shirts will be distributed to students (Kindergarten –  $\mathcal{T}^h$  grade) on Field Day morning in their homerooms. (Pre-K will have their own day of fun on May 20th). All students, Prek-Grade 8, will be provided a pizza lunch and ice cream sandwiches on Friday, May 13th.

**Students should wear their gym uniforms and comfortable running shoes** Keep in mind they may get wet and dirty.

Students may bring labeled hats and sunglasses.

We will have water stations and cups. However, students may bring appropriately sized, labeled water bottles. Please do not bring any other drinks besides water, as they may attract bees

**Apply sunscreen** to your students **before they come to school!** Sunscreen containers are not allowed at school.

Please ensure that your children eat an appropriate breakfast to prepare them for a day of physical activity.

**Food:** We will provide popsicles during morning break, Domino's Pizza and water for lunch, and ice cream sandwiches during the afternoon. Students who are allergic to any of these items should bring their own snacks/lunches.

**Medical Conditions:** In the event that any children are currently suffering from some type of temporary physical disability or injury, or are currently wearing or using any assistive device, they will not compete in Field Day for their safety. Other accommodations will be made for these students. For those who suffer from allergies, please take into consideration that we will be outside most of the day.

Field Day goes on rain or shine (hopefully shine)! We're looking forward to a day of fun!

Questions? You may contact me at <u>jessica.a.driscoll@gmail.com</u> or 908-338-5312 (call or text).

Jessica Driscoll
Field Day Committee

**Volunteer Coordinator Contact:** If you see an event that you are interested in, please email Mary Sonnen -PTOvpmembership@holyspiritflames.org

**2022** Field Day: All volunteer opportunities for the 2022 Field Day this May will only be available in <u>CONNECT1.IO</u>. It is easiest to set up on a computer, and each parent/guardian will need to have their own separate account. Questions email <a href="mailto:PTOPresident@HolySpiritFlames.org">PTOPresident@HolySpiritFlames.org</a>

Go to: Connect1.io

· Select: Sign In

- Select: Sign Up (school code), enter your email address and school code of L41VP6
- You will get a confirmation email with a 6-digit code, enter the confirmation code
- Follow the steps to enter your profile

#### Important upcoming dates to remember:

May 1 – May 7 – Teachers Appreciation Week (Kick-off party on May 1, 4:30-6:00 pm, see flyer)

May 13 – Field Day (see flyer)

#### Ongoing Fundraisers:

Mabels Labels: https://mabelslabels.com/en\_US/fundraising/support/

BoxTops: Download App, scan your receipt; Referral code: A7RD91XB



We still need your help to make Field Day a success! Take a look, sign up in Connect1, and get ready for a great day!



#### Connect 1 School Engagement App

Make Community Engagement SIMPLE, FUN, and Full of HEART





#### Three Engagement Functions in One App

- 1. Volunteering
- 2. Community Directory and Talent Center
- Prayer Board



#### Volunteering



- Secure and Only Accessible by School Community
- ✓ Digital Volunteering Board with all Events in One Place
- ✓ Talent Linking to Volunteer Roles
- ✓ Track Virtus Training Status for Volunteers
- ✓ Define Volunteer Points NO MORE HOURS TRACKING
- ✓ Gaming Earn Points, Advance in Levels, Attain Status
- New Award Center to Recognize Volunteers

#### Community Directory and Talent Center

- ✓ Community Contact Information at Your Fingertips
- ✓ Easily Filter by Grade, Teacher, Talent or More
- ✓ NewTalent Center See Talents / Skills of Parents
- ✓ Automatically Get Directions Through Google Maps
- ✓ Separate Faculty vs. Family Contact Pages



#### Prayer Board



- Saint Avatars to Represent Your Family in the App
- ✓ Request Prayers from Your Community
- ✓ See Prayers of Community on "Prayer Board"
- ✓ Answer Prayers with a Single Click
- ✓ Gaming Achieve Increasing Status to Sainthood by Answering More Prayers

Visit www.connect1.io or download the app by searching for "Connect1 Mobile" in your AppStore or PlayStore

#### PTO Board 2021/2022

President - Tom Fields - PTOPresident@holyspiritflames.org Vice President - Heather Howard - PTOVP@holyspiritflames.org Treasurer - Danielle Hetzler - PTOTreasurer@holyspiritflames.org Secretary - Lee Conroy - PTOSecretary@holyspiritflames.org

Volunteer Coordinator - Mary Sonnen - PTOVPMembership@holyspiritflames.org
Fundraising Coordinator - Carolyn Rutherford - PTOVPFundraising@holyspiritflames.org
Homeroom Parent Coordinator - Valerie Overstreet - PTOHomeroomCoorindator@holyspiritflames.org

#### Volunteering

Please remember that you must be fully compliant with the Child Protection policies of the Diocese in order to perform recess duty and to volunteer in activities where students are present.

#### **COVID-19 Dashboard Information**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - COVID-19 Community Level: **Low** Last updated 4/28/2022

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html

Holy Spirit School - Total new COVID positive cases while on campus during the infectious period (student and/or faculty/staff): 5

Time period: April 29 - May 5, 2022

# Think about a Daily Health Observation before sending your child to school

Symptoms of COVID-19 may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

Fever (100.0F) or chills

Cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Fatigue

Muscle or body aches

Headache

New loss of taste or smell

Sore throat

Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

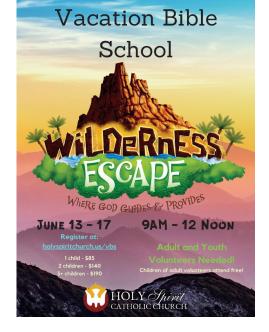
Diarrhea

If your child has experienced any of these symptoms in the last 24 hours, please keep your child home, contact your physician, and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household has tested positive for or is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, keep your child home and let us know (attendance@holyspiritflames.org).

If someone in your household is currently being tested for COVID-19, please keep everyone home until the test results are received.

## **Parish Happenings!**







## **Community Happenings!**





#### **FAMILY FOLDER**

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "May 5, 2022" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.

Family Folder

#### School Flyers:

- 1. Field Day Volunteer flyer
- 2. PTO Connect One App flyer
- 3. Mothers Day Mass flyer
- 4. Lunch on the Lawn flyer
- 5. Online Art Show flyer

#### Parish Flyers:

- 1. Vacation Bible School flyer
- 2. Diocesan Family Festival flyer
- 3. Trent Horn flyer

#### Community Flyers:

1. Spotlight on the Arts - flyer