

Holy Spirit Regional Catholic School

Tiger Talk

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Principal's Message

Dear Friends,

As Christians, we are called to certain standards in the way we live. We are commanded to love one another. This isn't always a simple task, and it often will come with a price. Despite the cost, following this dictate is one of the fundamental aspects within our faith. Often society views successes by what has been obtained: a beautiful home, a sheik new car, the perfect vacation. These are things of monetary value that we should feel proud to pass down to our children, but they are not the primary goal we should have as parents. While they are all commendable in their own way, God says that these are not our greatest goal. It's love.

"Love me with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself." Everything else is peripheral. Sending our children to be educated in a community of faith is just one of the ways in which we can demonstrate and teach this love to our children. Ultimately, the outcome of all belongs to the Lord, but the work of love belongs to us.

Have a blessed remainder of your week, and I look forward to seeing you all at the BASH this Saturday as we come together to further our capabilities in raising our children surrounded by the love of Christ.

Blessings,

Vince Aquila
Principal

The greatest of these is love.
~1st Corinthians 13:13



Calendar at a Glance

JANUARY

25 BASH 6 pm @ VBC North Hall

26 - 2 Catholic Schools Week

30 AfterCare closes @ 5 pm

31 6th grade to CSW Mass in Birmingham

FEBRUARY

2 CSW Closing Mass 9 am @ Holy Spirit Church

3 Midterm



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| <p>(Jan 27) Monday</p> <p>Diapers & Wipes</p> | <p>Service Day! PreK-3: Bring in diapers and wipes for Catholic Center of Concern Grades 4-8: Bring in cat/dog items for Friends of Rescue (see below) Begin sending in a monetary donation for the BURSE Club.* The homeroom with the most money collected by Friday will win a popcorn party! Each class will write a thank you card to their Room & BASH parents to give out on Volunteer Appreciation Day.</p> |
| <p>(Jan 28) Tuesday</p> | <p>School Spirit! National Day of Giving** - 11am Tuesday - 11am Wednesday Show your spirit by wearing your best Holy Spirit Gear and earn the title of Holy Spirit SUPER FAN! Each class will vote for a winner. 17 students will compete for 1st place and will be awarded lunch with Mr. Aquila! (No face paint, no hair color)</p> |
| <p>(Jan 29) Wednesday</p> | <p>Student Appreciation Day! Students grade PK-2 will enjoy games in the classroom and a "drive-in" movie. Grades 3-8 will go on a field trip to Stars and Strikes. Students must be in regular uniform and preferred they wear a red polo. No homework Wednesday night nor tests on Thursday!</p> |
| <p>(Jan 30) Thursday</p> | <p>Teacher/Volunteer Appreciation Day! The PTO will host a dinner for all faculty & staff. Therefore, After Care will close promptly at 5pm. Mr. Aquila has some other surprises lined up as well! Fr. Jonathan will visit classes to discuss vocations, the importance of family and Q&A. Students will make thank you cards for our priests.</p> |
| <p>(Jan 31) Friday</p> | <p>Religious Vocations Day! All-school rosary after morning announcements. School Mass @ 9:00am. Prayer Bear Parade to visit each classroom to say a prayer for vocations. Announce which classroom donated the most money to the BURSE fund and earned a popcorn party.</p> |

Grades PK-3 ~ Diapers and Wipes for Catholic Center of Concern in HSV - Diapers (sizes 5 & 6 only) and Wipes
Grades 4-8 ~ Pet food/items for Friends of Rescue - adult cat food, cat litter, kitten food, adult dry dog food, puppy dry & wet food, puppy pads
*BURSE Club: The BURSE Club funds the education of our seminarians.
**National Day of Giving: Make a donation to support HSRCS here: <https://factsmgtadmin.com/give/appeal/VYpsbZ4>

7/8th graders are invited to

GLOW FUNKY

Dance in the Auditorium

February 7th - 7-10pm

\$6.00 Admission
\$3 Photos
\$1 Per Game

Attire: tie dye shirt and jeans
Signup Genius to bring food & drink

The Catholic Schools Week Committee is planning a wonderful week full of activities centered on service, prayer, vocations, and appreciation days! Please consider helping a teacher by signing up to take one of their duties or help in the classroom!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AABAD2B44F49-volunteer1>

P.E. will be doing a 2-3 week unit on Jump For Heart. Folders will be passed out and all donations to the Heart Association will be taken up during the unit. We will be teaching jumping and a few jump rope tricks, Healthy Heart with some exercise, and Nutrition tips. All Donations will be collected by February 28th. Orders of gifts will be sent. Gifts will be returned ASAP and we will pass out to students as soon as they arrive. Thank you for the support! Coaches Moo and Jacobs

CONGRATULATIONS TO AVA WILLIAMS, GAVIN HARDT, AND AINSELY SCHMIDT FOR BEING AWARDED HONORABLE MENTION IN THEIR PROSPECTIVE CATEGORIES AT THE JP2 SCIENCE FAIR LAST WEEK! THESE THREE STUDENTS BEAT OUT OVER HALF OF THE JP2 STUDENTS TO EARN THEIR AWARDS. THEY WILL BE MOVING ON TO THE REGIONAL COMPETITION AT UAH IN MARCH. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF OUR STUDENTS!

