

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you had a wonderful weekend. :)

COVID

Currently, St. Augustin Catholic School has fewer than six positive cases. In the Diocese of Des Moines Metro Region Schools, 0.42% of students/faculty/staff have tested positive for COVID-19.

Please note, the Diocese of Des Moines and St. Augustin Catholic School encourage mask wearing.

If you have a child staying home sick from school, please complete the Google Form linked on our website (or [here](#)). We are required to track our absenteeism percentage for IDPH.

Monday, January 10: Lunch Menu Change

Due to food shortages, lunch on Monday will be jumbo blueberry muffin tops instead of waffles. Students will also receive sausage, bacon, pears and carrot sticks.

Wednesday, January 12: Spirit Wear Order Deadline

[Please click here for the 2021 – 2022 spirit wear order form.](#) Please note that there may be some supply issues with orders. Hopefully this is not the case; however, if issues arise, we may have to slightly alter color shades. You will be made aware if this happens.

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Liz Garvey by email (lgarvey@flynnwright.com) or phone (515-556-5665).

Wednesday, January 12: Early Childhood Information Night

Our early childhood information is Wednesday, January 12. This event is for parents of current and prospective students.

5:30pm – 6:30pm: PreKindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten

6:30pm – 7:30pm: Kindergarten

Please RSVP to Mrs. Watters (515-279-5947).

Thursday, January 13: Mass

Our third grade students will be leading Mass on Thursday. Mass will be at St. Augustin Catholic Church at 8:45am unless there is inclement weather. Parents will be notified in the event that there is a location change.

Friday, January 14: Entries due for Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a spelling bee at St. Augustin on Friday, January 28. All students in fourth – seventh grade may participate. [Please click here for the entry form.](#)

Word lists and rules available at <http://iowakofc.org/page/spelling-bee>

Monday, January 17: No School

Our faculty will have a professional development day on Monday, January 17. There is no school.

2022 – 2023 Enrollment

Enrollment for current families begins on Monday, January 17.

Enrollment for new families begins on Monday, January 24.

Saturday, January 29: Catholic Schools Week Open House

Please mark your calendars for our CSW Open House on Saturday, January 29 from 3pm – 4:30pm.

Flyers will be sent home this week. :) We will have five Olympic themed family-friendly challenges and a service project. St. Augustin Catholic School will be providing cantors, servers, and lectors for Mass at 5pm afterward. Please join us!

Home & School Service Committee

The foundation of our Catholic faith is serving our communities and those most in need. The 2021-2022 Service Committee made up of Cynthia Steidl-Bishop, Mrs. Sgroi and Lindsay Gilbert have developed the following monthly service projects to ensure we are fulfilling our service to our community while helping our middle school students reach their required service hours. Following is what we have planned for the year:

January- St. Joseph Emergency Family Shelter

Thanks to all of the families who signed up to help with this meal. :)

February- Catholic Schools Week Service Project (more details to come)

March- Cleaning at Ronald McDonald House Charities (more details to come)

April- St. Joseph Emergency Family Shelter

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May- Mary's Helping Hands (more details to come)

If you have ideas for service, please reach out to our Religion Teacher, Mrs. Sgroi at asgroi@staugustinschool.org or co-chair of our service committee, Lindsay Gilbert at lgilbert1130@yahoo.com or Cynthia Steidl-Bishop at cynthia.steidl@me.com.

St. Augustin School Adoration Hour

Please join our St. Augustin School Community for one hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for our school, our parish, our teachers, our staff, and our students. Take this opportunity to grow in your spiritual life and see what happens! Thursdays from 2-3 p.m. the Home & School Service Committee invites members to share an hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel at St. Augustin Church. Please sign up for your hour [here](#).

Have a great week!

Mrs. Spike

