

Ignatian Information

We, the community of St. Ignatius School, in the tradition of Mother Marie Rose and St. Ignatius of Loyola, provide a faith-centered Catholic education guiding God's children toward building a just and compassionate world.

October 6, 2023

Upcoming Important Dates

- October 10 -C.A.S.E. Training,
 6:30PM-8:30PM
- October 12 1st & 8th Grade
 Pumpkin Patch
 Field Trip

Greetings St. Ignatius Families

We honored our patroness Mother Marie Rose at our school Mass this week led by our Kindergarten and 7th grade students. Fr. San Mai blessed our pets, represented by photos and stuffed animals, for St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day at the beginning of Mass and with the preschoolers in their classroom.

- October 13 No School, Teacher In Service
- October 15 St. Ignatius Parish Renaissance Fair, 9:00AM-3:00PM
- October 18 -School Mass, 1:10PM
- October 19 -Pastini Dine Out Fundraiser

Important Links:

St. Ignatius Parish Middle School Site Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon

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Learning & Growing: We are learning and growing by leaps and bounds as we head into the fall season. Our preschoolers are busy developing their motor skills through painting fall creations. The preschoolers often play near the parish offices, and they love talking with Fr. San as he visits with them. The kindergartners are studying shapes and making their own shape creatures. The first graders are writing their weekend updates. Our second graders have begun writing letters to some of our parishioners. The third graders are learning about various types of communities. Our 4th graders gave a wonderful recorder performance for the kindergartners. The fifth graders are learning about the first Native Americans and how they used natural resources. Our sixth graders are learning about absolute value in math. The seventh graders are studying about types of government. The 8th graders practiced visualizing acceleration by creating a model car and tracking differing rates of acceleration in science. The students are showing their perseverance as they learn and acquire skills and knowledge.



Jog-a-thon: We have so many entries to prepare for our *Groove Our Way to \$50k Jog-a-thon prize drawings*, that we have decided to make it part of an assembly next week during our community building time at 1:20 on Wednesday. In thanksgiving for the students' hard work in the *Gator Groove Our Way to \$50k Jog-a-thon*, students may *wear their class color shirt with nice jeans, joggers, or shorts (no leggings) next Wednesday!* Thank you for spreading the word to your friends and family for this fun, community building fundraiser for our school. As of today, we made it to \$48, 684 which is 90% of our school goal. Way to go, Gators!

Parish Opportunities: We hope you plan on attending our parish *Renaissance Festival* on Sunday, October 15th. This is a wonderful opportunity to volunteer with your entire family and enjoy this truly spectacular event! There are plenty of things to do from helping with set up or tear down to juggling to working at the café! Please lend a hand if you can, and if you can't then come and join the fun! Renaissance Festival Sign up link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4CAEA82DA2F49renaissance

There's still time to volunteer to assist with the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the Sunday 10:30 AM Masses. The materials for teaching the Gospel to the children during the twenty minute homily at the Mass are fully prepared for the volunteers. Please email <u>Sarah</u>. <u>Cunningham</u> if you are able to assist in this ministry.

Students in 5th-8th grade interested in being *altar servers* this year may reach out to Karen Ortiz, one of our parents, at *ajkaortiz@yahoo.com*. Karen will be coordinating the training and scheduling. There will be two altar server training for the 5th to 8th graders at the church with Father San Mai. Reach out to Karen at *ajkaortiz@yahoo.com* to sign up for a training session on either *October 8th, Sunday - 11:40 (after the 10:30 mass) or October 9th, Monday - 3:15 (after school).*

Handbook Highlights: This week, we will continue to highlight information found in our Parent-Student Handbook. This week's focus is on some of our Technology Expectations for our students. We recognize that life outside the classroom is more connected, mobile, and on-demand. St. Ignatius is committed to creating a learning environment inside the classroom that fosters: communication, creativity, critical thinking, safety, mental health, and collaboration.

- The only devices allowed in school, for educational purposes only, are tablets or Chromebooks/laptops, and <u>all activity must be</u> <u>approved by the supervising teacher.</u> Devices brought from home are fully charged and ready for use each morning.
- Cell phones and Apple or other smart watches capable of sending and receiving messages are off and stored by the teacher for the duration of the school day. <u>Cell phones and smart watches may</u> not be used by students **on campus** before, during, or after <u>school.</u>

- Students are not allowed to phone, text, or communicate personal messages electronically with one another or with people outside the school while school is in session through any device. Students and parents needing to communicate between one another during school hours must go through the teacher and/or school office.
- Technology devices, such as wired earbuds, tablets, or Chromebooks/laptops will only be used by the student who owns them. Students will not share their devices or use a device that belongs to someone else.

Thank you for supporting appropriate technology use at school and home. Many families find a valuable balance between technology-base activities and other activities through the use of a <u>media</u> <u>agreement</u> at home.

May we embrace the blessing of the beautiful fall weather and enjoy God's majestic creation throughout the weekend. "*Let us not grow tired of doing good, for in due time we shall reap our harvest, if we do not give up.*" Galatians 6:9

Peace be with you always.

Carol Pausz

Principal

Help Counter - Fair Share hours

Please remember to log your volunteer hours through <u>Help Counter</u>. Directions for HelpCounter may be found here: <u>Parent- HelpCounter Directions</u>. We have many volunteering opportunities available throughout the fall and whole school year. Hours served for the school, parish church, or CYO count toward your Fairshare service hours.

2023-2024 Handbook Acknowledgement

Please be sure to review the 2023—2024 Parent/Student Handbook with your child.

Parent/Student Handbook link: 💿 <u>School Handbook</u>

Handbook Agreement form is available for electronic submission: <u>Handbook Agreement</u> <u>Form</u>

Fall 2023 Conferences - November 1st, 2nd, & 3rd

Fall conference letters are coming home with students today. Please complete and return to the school office. Confirmations will be sent home the week of October 23rd.

Pastini Dine Out Night





PASTINI WILL DONATE 40% OF SALES FROM PARTICIPATING TABLES MENTION THE SCHOOL WHEN YOU DINE IN OR TAKE OUT



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C.A.S.E. Training - Last Chance at St. Ignatius!

Interested in volunteering this school year - field trip, recess monitor, hot lunch helper, etc.?

C.A.S.E. training is a requirement!

All FIRST TIME volunteers MUST attend an in person C.A.S.E. (Creating a Safe

Environment) Training. We are offering an additional opportunity on our campus to complete

this volunteering requirement. This is an adult only event, no child care provided.

Tuesday, October 10th, 6:30PM-8:30PM, please sign up in advance:

https://tinyurl.com/SICASETRAINING

Additional dates and times can be found on the Archdiocese of Portland website:

https://tinyurl.com/ARCHCASE

If you attend a class on another campus you will need to submit your certificate of completion to the St. Ignatius School Office.

RETURNING VOLUNTEERS

If you have previously taken the in person C.A.S.E. training you will only need to complete the yearly online update: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1GVtVe5zZagc2LJ-</u>

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Thank you!

St. Ignatius Swim Team

The St. Ignatius Gator Swim Team season starts this weekend, but there is still time to sign up. We are looking for all levels of swimmers in Kindergarten through 8th grade who want to learn to be better swimmers in a fun team environment. The first practice is this Sunday, and the season runs through mid-January.

Sign-up at: https://cyocamphoward.org/content/18560/si-swimming

For more information contact Athletic Director Liz Lloyd, stignatiuscyo@gmail.com or Kevin Corcoran, kp_corcoran@yahoo.com

Go Gators!

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Ignatius Parish Renaissance Festival: <u>https://tinyurl.com/stirenaissance</u>

Transition Project Sack Lunch Program: <u>https://tinyurl.com/schoolwideservice</u>

Recess Monitoring: <u>https://forms.gle/jjsMk7EcGDXzvUux8</u>

Hot Lunch Program

Hot lunch will be available for purchase every Tuesday and Wednesday beginning Tuesday, September 19th. Please follow the link to place your child's order: <u>https://tinyurl.com/SIHOTLUNCH</u>

Questions? Contact Biblina Marterous: bibiamarts@gmail.com

High School Open Houses

- October 8 De La Salle North Catholic High School/Valley Catholic
- October 15 St. Mary's Academy
- October 22 La Salle Catholic College Preparatory
- October 29 Jesuit High School

All open houses are 1:00pm-4:00pm. Additional information can be found on each individual high schools website.

CYO Champions of Faith Dinner

CYO and Camp Howard 12th Annual Champions of Faith Benefit Dinner

October 17th at the Oregon Convention Center.

This is a great opportunity to give every child an opportunity to grow and experience the power of living through Christian principles. 100 percent of your generous donations goes directly to CYO Sports and Camp Howard. It is a night of faith, inspiration, and fun. See the flyer for more info: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ycV6Gqhb9cxWWt3mGoAfVqYIvqIHJFCh/view?</u> <u>usp=sharing</u>

Ways to support St. Ignatius School



We want your empty cans and bottles! Supporting the school is easy!

- Let the school office know and we will send a bag home with your child, school@sispdx.org
- Fill the bluebag with refundable plastic, aluminum, and glass
- Return your blue bag to any BottleDrop location, the label on the blue bag will open the secure door



You can help St. Ignatius School earn donations just by shopping with your Fred Meyer Rewards Card! Fred Meyer donates over \$2.5 million per year to non-profits.

Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your card to St. Ignatius: <u>https://www.fredmeyer.com/</u>. You can search for St. Ignatius School or use our numbr"87137". Every time you shop and use your reward card you will be helping St. Ignatius school, you will still earn your rewards points, fuel points, and rebates. Thank you for supporting St. Ignatius School!

Extra-Curricular Activities

Future Falcons Night: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1siQ2nHk-</u> <u>DRfZhDr03DyLWUFHLRZFOz4u/view?usp=sharing</u>

Fall Youth Baseball Camp at La Salle:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/131B4IHgetxdIlzFBCLbAqSthqAg3XnvJ/view?usp=sharing

Jesuit Girls Fall Basketball Clinic:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vV_162l4Bbxs3OlApL3fh-H25Go0gt1s/view?usp=sharing