From the Desk of Mr. Metz

Dear St. Catharine Parents,

**Walk-A-Thon**

Our major school fundraiser this year will be a Walk A Thon on Friday October 11th. We will have plenty of fun and games along with various incentives to help ensure we reach our goal of $12,000. All the proceeds from this fundraiser go directly to offsetting the enormous cost of running our school. Through the generosity of the ESAP foundation we have the opportunity to have our funds matched by 1.5 times whatever we raise, (up to $12,000). Therefore, if we can raise $12,000 the ESAP foundation will match an additional $18,000, bringing our total to $30,000. I am asking each family to make every effort to contribute at least $100 in order to meet our goal. Many families here at St. Catharine are very fortunate to be receiving Ed-Choice Scholarship money thus avoiding the cost of paying tuition, therefore I am asking you to be as generous as possible to this important fundraiser. Thank you in advance.

An assembly was help yesterday to kick off the walk, please check your students backpacks for information about the turn in dates and various incentives!!!

**Volunteers**

If you would like to help at the Walk-A-Thon please contact Mindy Placke at placke_m@stcatharinesiena.org or 481-7683 ext. 3104
**Spanish Enrichment**

I am happy to announce that Mrs. Vossler is going to offer Spanish Enrichment after school on Mondays. These sessions will be open to 4th through 8th graders and will be offered to the first 20 students that enroll. The cost will be $75.00 and will consist of 10 sessions on the following dates: September 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28, November 4, 11, 18, 25, December 2. These sessions will begin at 2:45pm and end at 4:00pm. If you would like to enroll your son or daughter please fill out the enrollment form attached to the Cougar Chronicle and send in by Wednesday, September 25th, classes will begin on September 30th. Sign-up sheet attached.

**7th and 8th Grade Net Ministers Retreat – Help Needed**

On October 15th all of our 7th and 8th grade students will be participating in a retreat conducted by the Net Ministries organization. St. Catharine has welcomed this organization to conduct our retreats for many years with great success. The young men and women of Net Ministries are a real inspiration to our young people and they always host a wonderful retreat. The retreat takes place here at school on Tuesday October 15th and we are in need of a few families to host these young people for the nights of October 15th and 16th.

Host families would take a couple of the young missionaries to stay with them on the evening of October 15th, provide them dinner and a place to sleep (doesn’t need to be fancy) then they would bring them back to school on the 16th and do the same thing on the evening of the 16th (take them from school and provide them dinner and a place to sleep). They would then transport them back to school on the morning of the 17th. The reason it is for two nights is because the 16th they are having their own day of reflection and rest. Here is a link to the organization. https://netusa.org Please contact me in the school office if you can possibly host 2-5 of these young people.

**Morning Procedures**

Please be mindful that when you are dropping your children off in the morning, they need to exit the car on the curb side, not into the street. Also, if children are being dropped off or picked up on the other side of the street, they must go to the crosswalk to cross the street. If you drop off on the school side and wish to turn around, do not turn around in driveways, instead you may go through the school parking lot (this applies only for morning drop off, not afternoon pickup) and exit onto Meyer Place.

**Entering School**

If for any reason you need to enter the school building in the morning please do not park your car along the front curb where students are dropped off, this disrupts the drop off procedures. Please park in the rear parking lot and enter school through the breezeway doors.

**Birthday Treats**

Please remember birthday treats are only allowed to be one individually wrapped treat such as a cookie, a cupcake, or a brownie, etc. We are not having full blown birthday parties here at school for every child’s birthday, that should be done at home. Here is an example of a prewrapped cupcake by Hostess that a student brought in last week. Just the right size (remember the students already have a full lunch to eat) and it says birthday right on the package! Thanks for your understanding in this matter.

**Uniform Violations**

I have noticed some students are straying a little from the dress code. For your convenience I have attached a copy of the dress code to the back of this week’s cougar. Please keep in mind that only navy or white shirts are permitted.
Dress Code for Boys, Grades K-8

Please Note:
The principal reserves the right to use discretion regarding the dress code

• A white or navy-blue shirt must be worn. The shirt can be dress or golf style with long or short sleeves. It should have a collar. Solid white turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks may be worn.

• If a t-shirt is worn under the shirt, it must be solid white. No colored t-shirts or printed tees are allowed.

• Shirts must be tucked in with the exception of gym or recess.

• Corduroy or twill dress pants in navy blue or khaki are worn. Pants cannot be denim or jeans type material. Pants may not have rivets or pockets down the leg. If there are belt loops, a belt must be worn. Belts must be plain black, brown or navy in color. No sweatpants are permitted. Belts are not required for male students in grades K and 1.

• Dress and cargo shorts only in navy blue or khaki may be worn during the months of August - October 31 and April 1 - June 1 and as announced by the principal. The length of the shorts should be fingertip length or longer when standing.

• A sweater, sweatshirt or hoodie of solid navy blue, gray or white may be worn. The color must be solid. St. Catharine hoodies or sweatshirts may be worn in place of the sweater.

• Socks must be worn and they must be solid navy blue, black, gray or white.

• Gym shoes and dress shoes may be worn. No military, cowboy or construction-type boots or sandals are permitted.

• Boys may wear a watch, religious jewelry and one post earring. Any other type of body piercing is prohibited.

• Hair length must be above the eyebrow and collar. Hair must not be extreme or distracting (administrator's discretion).

• Jackets, windbreakers, coats, etc. may be worn outdoors and may be brought to the lunchroom. They are not to be worn inside the classroom.

• No toiletries may be brought to school (after shave, etc.) except deodorant which must be a solid or roll-on and unscented.

Dress Code for Girls, Grades K-8

Please Note:
The principal reserves the right to use discretion regarding the dress code

• A white or navy-blue dress blouse or golf style shirt must be worn. The blouse may be long or short sleeved. It must have a collar. Solid white turtlenecks or mock turtlenecks may be worn.

• If an undergarment is worn, it must be plain white. No colored printed undergarments are allowed. Plain white t-shirts may be worn under blouses. Colored or printed tees are not allowed.

• Shirts and blouses must be tucked in with the exception of gym or recess.

• Girls in grades K-6 may wear the school plaid uniform jumper. Jumpers must be fingertip length or longer when standing. Girls in grades 6-8 may wear the plaid skirt; it cannot be more than 2 inches above the knee. Girls may wear black or navy-blue shorts under their jumpers/skirts as long as the shorts do not show below the hem of the skirt.

• Corduroy or twill pants in navy blue or khaki may be worn. Pants cannot be denim or jeans type material. Pants may not have rivets or pockets down the leg. If there are belt loops, a belt must be worn. Belts must be plain black, brown or navy in color. No sweatpants are permitted.

• Dress or cargo shorts/skorts in navy blue or khaki may be worn during the months of August - October 31 and April 1 - June 1, and as announced by the principal. Shorts must be fingertip length or longer when standing. If shorts are worn under the skirt, they must not go past the hem of the skirt. Capri pants in navy blue or khaki may be an option for shorts.
• A sweater, sweatshirt or hoodie of solid navy blue, gray or white may be worn. The color must be solid. St. Catharine hoodies or sweatshirts may be worn in place of the sweater.

• Leggings, tights and stretch pants in solid colors of navy blue, black, gray or white may be worn under the jumpers and skirts. All leggings must be plain without decoration or writing. Regular navy blue or khaki uniform pants may be worn under the skirts or jumpers also.

• Socks must be worn, and they must be solid navy blue, black, gray or white.

• Dress shoes or gym shoes may be worn. No high heels, sandals or boots. Snow boots may not be worn during the school day. Students must change from boots to shoes upon arrival at school.

• Girls may wear a watch, religious jewelry and one pair of post earrings. Any other type of body piercing is prohibited. Girls may not wear other necklaces, bracelets or rings.

• Hair must not be distracting or extreme. Hair sprays and gels may not be brought to school. Headscarves, bows, hats and bandannas are not permitted. Navy blue, black, grey or white headbands may be worn. If beads are worn in hair they must be minimal (principal’s discretion) and they must be solid navy blue, black, grey or white.

• Purses may not be brought to school. Use a backpack instead.

• Only clear nail polish may be worn. Nail polish may not be brought to school.

• Make-up may not be worn. Make-up and other toiletries, perfumes and scented lotions may not be worn to school or brought to school except deodorant which must be either a solid or roll-on unscented.

• Jackets, windbreakers, coats, etc may be worn outdoors and may be carried to the lunchroom. They are not to be worn inside the classroom.

  Mr. Jerry Metz
  Principal

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**2019-2020**

**St. Catharine Boy’s Basketball Signups**

**Grade levels 3rd thru 8th**

**Season starts Dec. 1st,**

**with practice starting Nov. 1st**

Sign up and pay at [http://stc-athletics.org/athletics/boys-basketball/](http://stc-athletics.org/athletics/boys-basketball/)

Or mail checks to

St. Catharine Athletic Assoc.

2676 Cyclorama Drive

Cincinnati, OH 45211

Any questions contact Nate Roedig

Email: nate.roedig@ge.com  Phone: 513-675-7301

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**ROOM PARENT UPDATE**

We still need room parent volunteers for the following grades:

Kindergarten-1 more parent

First grade-2 parents

Fifth grade-1 more parent

Seventh grade-2 parents

Please consider volunteering so that the parties for these classes are not affected.

Send your contact information to kspieser1@yahoo.com and let me know which class you can help with!

Thank you! Kerry Spieser & the grade you would like to help with to me at: kspieser1@yahoo.com.
Mercy McAuley News
Mercy McAuley Offers 8th Grade Parent Info Sessions

Eighth grade parents are invited to attend a Parent Information Session to learn more about Mercy McAuley directly from school leaders. These sessions will cover topics including: Academics, Schedule and Technology; Counseling and Student Services; Faith, Service and Campus Ministry; Athletics and Extracurriculars; and Tuition and Financial Aid. Parents will have the opportunity to ask questions. These sessions are conducted in a smaller group format, different from an Open House. Sessions will be held on the following dates:

- Wednesday, September 25 - 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Thursday, October 10 - 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- Monday, October 14 - 8 to 9:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, October 22 - 6:30 to 8 p.m. TUITION & FINANCIAL AID SESSION ONLY (This session is for parents who want to focus solely on tuition and financial aid, how to complete the FACTS Financial Aid Form, etc. Please note that we will touch on tuition and financial aid in all of the sessions; however, the Oct. 22 session will be dedicated exclusively to this topic.)
- Wednesday, November 13 - 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Register for a Parent Info Session at www.mercymcauley.org/InfoSessions.

Mount Notre Dame News
Shadowing at MND

Eighth grade girls are welcome to spend a full school day “shadowing” a current MND freshman or sophomore to experience a day in the life of an MND student and see what MND is all about! MND encourages students to choose a day when their grade schools/junior high schools are not in session. The dates listed below are available for visiting eighth graders:

- October 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29
- November 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 19
- December 4, 6
- January 24, 27

Please register at www.mndhs.org/admissions.

Seton News
SHADOW at SETON!

All 8th grade girls are invited to SHADOW at SETON! We are excited to have you join us and be a Saint for a Day as you shadow a current Seton student and experience how we are anchored in academic excellence! Sail into our upgraded campus and you’ll get to see our new windows, air conditioning, lighting, Halo Café, Coffee Shop and The Grove! Shadow days are available from Sept. 20-Nov. 26. Spots fill up quickly, so please fill out your shadow request online at www.setoncincinnati.org. Please contact our Director of Advancement, Sarah Cranley Lykins ’02, at 513-471-2600 ext. 2422 or lykinss@setoncincinnati.org with any questions.

#SailAtSeton #AnchoredInExcellence

Moeller News
Moeller Shadow Days

It’s already time for shadow days! We can’t wait to meet your son and to introduce him to the offerings here at Moeller. We tailor each day to your son’s interests and goals he has for his high school experience. There’s a lot to do this year to find the right school for your son and your family – a shadow day at Moeller is the perfect place to begin. Schedule your son’s shadow day at https://www.moeller.org/admissions/shadow-at-moeller. You will also find out about information sessions, parent tours, and other events where we can show you what Moeller can do for your family.

Mercy McAuley Shadow Day Registration Now Open

Eighth grade girls are invited to experience Mercy McAuley by scheduling a Shadow Day! On their Shadow Day, eighth graders will spend a day with a Mercy McAuley Student Ambassador. They’ll experience her classes, teachers and schedule, meet other Mercy McAuley students and get a sense for what it’s like to be a Mercy McAuley Wolf. A variety of dates are available from September through November. Register at www.mercymcauley.org/Shadow.
Elder High School Upcoming Events Shadow Days

8th grade boys interested in Elder High School should take this unique opportunity to see what a day at Elder High School is like! Shadows are paired up with current students, go through a full day of classes, and experience what makes Elder great.

Find our list of shadow days, and sign up at www.elderhs.org/shadow

Grade School Soccer Night

Come watch the Elder soccer team as they take on GCL rival St. Xavier. This is free to attend for all grade school students, and is sure to be an electric atmosphere!

Tuesday, September 24th | JV Match at 5:00 PM & Varsity Match at 7:00 PM
Panther Athletic Complex, 1915 Quebec Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45205

Grade School Football Night & Pregame 7th-8th Grade Tailgate

Join us for Grade School Football Night as the Panthers take on the Moeller Crusaders at the Pit, all grade school students are welcome! Before the game, please sign-up to attend the 7th and 8th Grade Tailgate. Food, drinks, snow cones, and plenty of fun will be had by all before marching down into the Pit for the opening kickoff.

Friday, October 11th | Tailgate at 5:30 PM (at Seton), Kickoff at 7:00 PM
Registration required at www.elderhs.org/tailgate

High School Placement Test Prep (HSPT) Class

All students interested in attending Elder will need to take the HSPT. Two weeks prior to the test, Elder is hosting a prep class for any 8th grade boy. This class is taught by Elder Faculty, with years of experience in helping students prepare for the HSPT.

Saturday, November 9th | 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | $30 Course Fee
Find information and sign ups at www.elderhs.org/hsp
Spanish Enrichment

Cost: $75.00

Dates: September 30, October 7, 14, 21, 28 November 4, 11, 18, 25 December 2.

Times: 2:45pm-4:00pm

$75.00 Spanish Enrichment Payment Enclosed

Student Name: ____________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature: __________________

Please make check payable to:
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<td>Shadow Day</td>
<td>September 9 through December 6</td>
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<td>The shadow program allows 8th grade girls to attend a day of classes with current students. See how the Tablet PC is used in class, check out the lunch room, meet future teachers and be a Bulldog for the day!</td>
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<td>Educational Services Program Information Night</td>
<td>September 4</td>
<td>6:30 – 7:30 pm</td>
<td>Meet teachers from our Educational Services Program and find out how Saint Ursula supports students with identified learning disabilities.</td>
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<td>Strategizing the HSPT and HS Admissions</td>
<td>September 18</td>
<td>6:30 – 7:30 pm</td>
<td>This program, in partnership with LEAP, is beneficial for 7th and 8th grade girls and parents.</td>
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<td>Grade School Volleyball Night</td>
<td>October 1</td>
<td>6:30 pm</td>
<td>Come cheer on the Saint Ursula Academy Varsity Volleyball Team when the Bulldogs take on Notre Dame Academy. Free student admission (parents and coaches too!) when you wear your school spirit wear. Enter to win prizes between matches (winners must be present)!</td>
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<td>Young Women’s Institute, Multicultural and Empowerment Retreat</td>
<td>October 12</td>
<td>8:00 – 3:00 pm</td>
<td>Girls in grades 6 – 8 are encouraged to celebrate diversity and be empowered to be her own best self! The retreat will include a variety of community and skill building activities. Registration is limited.</td>
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<td>Financial Aid Information Night</td>
<td>October 16</td>
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<td>This session will include an overview of the financial aid application process, the FACTS tuition payment and aid application system, and Q&amp;A with Business Office staff.</td>
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<td>Open House</td>
<td>October 27</td>
<td>1:00 – 3:30 pm</td>
<td>Take an in-depth look at all Saint Ursula Academy has to offer! Classrooms will be open with our distinguished faculty engaging you in a 21st century education! No RSVP necessary.</td>
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<td>HSPT Review and Strategies Course</td>
<td>November 2</td>
<td>9:00 am – 3:00 pm</td>
<td>This one day overview course for girls in the 8th grade will allow them to learn test-taking tips, review content of the High School Placement Test, familiarize themselves with the test format, and increase confidence.</td>
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<td>Spotlight Night</td>
<td>November 6 &amp; December 3</td>
<td>6:30 – 8:00 pm</td>
<td>This hour program for 7th and 8th graders and parents will shine a spotlight on the many parts of the Saint Ursula education. Get inside information on academic programs, student life and more!</td>
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<td>Dinner and a Show!</td>
<td>November 20</td>
<td>7:00 pm</td>
<td>8th grade girls, come see our SUA fall production: The Drowsy Chaperone dress rehearsal. Tickets for the event will be half price ($5) and the evening will include a pizza dinner in our Keller Student Center from 6:00 – 6:30 pm. Tickets are limited to two per student and are on a first come, first served basis.</td>
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<td>High School Placement Test</td>
<td>November 23</td>
<td>8:30 am – 12:00 pm</td>
<td>All 8th grade girls must take the High School Placement Test to apply to Saint Ursula Academy. We host a test site and accept test scores taken at any other Catholic school in the city.</td>
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<td>Grade School Basketball Night</td>
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<td>Come cheer on the Saint Ursula Academy Varsity Basketball Team when the Bulldogs take on Little Miami High School. Free student admission (parents and coaches too!) when you wear your school spirit wear. Enter to win prizes between matches (winners must be present)!</td>
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Saint Ursula Academy is a dynamic Catholic educational community rooted in the Ursuline core values. Saint Ursula promotes academic excellence, honors the uniqueness of each person, and transforms young women into thinkers, leaders, nurturers, and prophets committed to building a better world.

To register for events, visit: https://www.saintursula.org/Visit.aspx

Questions? Please contact Michelle Dellecave, Director of Admissions
mdellecave@saintursula.org or (513)961-3410 x183
**The Miraculous Journey Of Edward Tulane**

By CHARLE HITTORD

Adapted from the book by KATE DEAMERI

**Saturday, September 28, 2019 • 2:00 PM**

Edward Tulane is an expensive toy rabbit, and he is loved by a little girl named Abeline. But Edward, who is made of china, is rather self-centered. On an ocean voyage, he is accidentally thrown overboard and sinks to the bottom of the sea. So begins his miraculous journey home, in which he learns the meaning of love and loss, and how to find the courage to love again.

Recommended for grades three and up.

**The Barber of Seville**

**Saturday, January 11, 2020 • 2:00 PM**

ROKCincy is thrilled to present their special adaptation of Rossini’s classic comedy “The Barber of Seville.” Sung in English and Italian, this show stars with familiar music, vocal fireworks, and high energy hijinks. Rosina has been grounded by her strict guardian, Dr. Bartolo and isn’t allowed to enter her project into the State Science Fair. Her teachers, Mr. Figaro and Ms. Susannah know that she can win first place if they can only get it submitted. They’ll need all their cunning, and more than a few tricks, to pull this off!

Recommended for grades K-6.

**Stuart Little**

By JOSPEH ROBBETTE

Adapted from the book by E.B. WHITE

**Saturday, February 1, 2020 • 2:00 PM**

Stuart Little is a lovable mouse who is born into an ordinary, New York family. His many adventures — both big and small — vividly come to life through a series of delightful scenes. Based on E.B. White’s endearing classic and written with charm, wisdom and joy, this adaptation presents the marvelous maneuvers of a mild-mannered mouse who is trying to survive in the great, big world.

Recommended for kindergarten and up.

**Dragons Love Tacos**

**Saturday, April 4, 2020 • 2:00 PM**

Do you know what dragons really love? Tacos, of course! Chicken tacos, beef tacos, big tacos and tiny tacos. As a boy and his dog watch a television show about dragons, they unexpectedly get caught up in the “Dos and Don’ts” of what to feed dragons. But if they accidentally eat spicy salsa, watch out!

Recommended for pre-k and up.

**Cincinnati Ballet**

**Saturday, April 18, 2020 • 2:00 PM**

Dancers from Cincinnati Ballet will provide an exciting peek into the typical day in the life of a professional dancer.

Audience members will:
- Learn the fundamentals of the art of ballet including the basic elements of dance. They will also gain an understanding of the discipline and athleticism required for a professional career in ballet.
- Actively participate in the dance demonstration, applying the five basic ballet positions of the arms and feet to their own bodies and experimenting with other fun coordination exercises.
- Experience an up close and personal performance by Cincinnati Ballet dancers and gain a greater understanding of performance etiquette.
- Openly ask questions to the dancers in a positive, casual question & answer discussion.

Reservations for all performances in the ACAD FREE Family Fun Series can be made online 2-3 weeks prior to each event (www.sunsetplayers.org)

No assigned seating. Arrive early for best seat selection.

1945 Dunham Way, Cincinnati OH 45238 • 513-295-8727

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