

The Royal Herald

Thursday, March 8, 2018

Spring Break Next Week

This is just a reminder that Regis offices will be CLOSED tomorrow (Friday, March 9th) through all of next week (Friday, March 16th). Classes will resume on Monday, March 19th with a full “regular” week of classes. Please note that the Wednesday following Spring Break there will be no Liturgy, as our 7th/8th Grade students will be receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation. The third quarter ends on Friday, March 23rd so be sure to log in to PowerSchool to make sure your student is caught up! And remember that we are in Lent, and every Sunday is “a little Easter,” so it’s important to make attending mass a priority, even when your family travels!

Of The Month Winners for March

6th Grade: Christopher FitzPatrick - Christopher FitzPatrick is a HUGE helper in setting up for mass on Wednesdays. He makes sure to arrive early to help set up and he comes right into the gym ready to help!

7th Grade: Claire Freesmeier - Claire has gone above and beyond in her classes to improve her skills and lead the group toward success. For example in choir, she takes the time to learn music outside of class and will come in to ask questions about her voice and how she can make improvements. She is very receptive to instruction and is always putting forth her best efforts.

8th Grade: Ella Tallett - Ella’s teachers say that since the beginning of the year, Ella has done a great job speaking up when necessary, and she asks thought-provoking questions. She is an active participant in class and works well with all of her peers, continuing to get her coursework completed. She is a great addition in the classroom and sets a positive example of what is expected of a Regis student.

Charlie Wood - Charlie’s teachers describe him as someone who leads by example and is always respectful to his classmates and staff. They recognize that he works hard on assignments and is kind to everyone.

Parent Volunteer of the Month - Amy Fischels, for all the many hours of helping with Eclipse Show Choir, from organizing costumes to sizing and bagging shoes. She has been a huge help and blessing to the Regis staff and always volunteers to assist or to bring in items to help at school!

Regis Staff Member of the Month - Annie Schaub, for her positive attitude and willingness to help out her colleagues. This year she’s done everything from subbing for colleagues to organizing a “scotcheroo challenge,” and is an active part of the faculty social committee. Students and staff appreciate her sense of humor and positive attitude.

Regis 2018-19 Registration!!!!

It is now time to complete your “Enrollment Commitment” for the 2018-19 school year!

Enrollment Commitment is a two-part process:

- A. Complete the **Enrollment Commitment Form** in its entirety -- **click HERE.**
- B. Submit a \$50 Non-Refundable Deposit per child by **March 8th** (*many parents dropped off checks at conferences. If you are attending Conference on Wednesday night, please remember to bring your checkbook!*), otherwise send checks to:

Regis Middle School
ATTN: Mary Carey

735 Prairie Dr NE
Cedar Rapids IA 52402

This \$50 deposit is applied directly to your child's tuition for the 2018-19 school year. We strongly urge each of our families to consider applying for Tuition Assistance through FACTS. Click **HERE** for more detailed tuition (including out-of-parish and non-Catholic tuition rates) and tuition assistance information.

Band and Choir Enrollment for 2018-19 School Year

It is time for Band and/or Choir Re-Enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year! Please take a moment to fill out the form and indicate if your student will be participating in Band, Choir, Band and Choir, or not participating. For accurate numbers we would appreciate it if you could take a moment to fill out the form even if your child is NOT participating next school year. We need parents to complete this form by TOMORROW!!!!!! You can find the form by clicking [here](#).

Quarter Four Exploratory Classes

Fourth Quarter Exploratory classes are in PowerSchool. Please take a minute and talk with your student about their Exploratory class. Exploratory classes will begin on Wednesday, March 28th. Students are required to take one service Exploratory class during the school year. If they have not completed a service Exploratory and are not assigned to one for fourth quarter please see Mrs. Nachman or email at knachman@regisroyals.org

Service Hours

All students at Regis are required to complete 15 service hours per academic school year. Service hours are defined as activities outside of immediate family chores. They include: parish activities (i.e.. Choir, altar serving, greeter, babysitting etc.) community work, assisting neighbors or extended family members for no pay.

The service hours are divided into three categories--

- 1) grade level service--5 hours (hours are obtained at Regis)
- 2) service exploratory class--5 hours (students are required to take this class at Regis)
- 3) personal--5 hours (this needs to be done by the student)

If students fulfill the requirements of the first two categories during school they received 10 of their 15 hours. The students then only have 5 hours to complete on their own.

Students need to log their service hours by filling out the following Google Form:

https://docs.google.com/a/regisroyals.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScFgIWXIEfOKhHyrn8jf27RpoyDn7XO8y3_wD_pJJbz-eKUA/viewform?c=0&w=1

On the third quarter report card if students completed and logged a minimum of 5 hours in each category they will receive a "P" (Pass) as a grade. If a student is missing hours from any of the categories they will receive an "I" (Incomplete) as a grade. We encourage students not to wait until the last minute to complete and log this service requirement. Students will be able to see how many service hours they have by looking at the homeroom comment section.

SAVE THE DATE -- Friday, April 13th -- RAISE THE ROOF 2.0!

Mark Friday, April 13th, 6:30-10:30 pm on your calendar and plan to attend Regis' annual

fundraiser Royal T Night! We're borrowing 2016's theme and bumping it up to **RAISE THE ROOF 2.0!** Proceeds from 2016 helped update the roof over the gym and theater -- this year we hope to complete the roofing project and update the classroom wing's roof.

Royal T Night is an adult-only, casual and fun evening of food, drink, music games, raffles and silent and live auctions! After Spring Break watch for when you can purchase your tickets and participate in our raffles and online auction bidding. If you'd like to volunteer to help with Royal T Night, would like to donate an item for our auctions, or would like to be an event sponsor please contact Dianne Clarke at dclarke@regisroyals.org.

Live Auction Items Needed!

Do you have a vacation home or condo that you could part with for a long weekend or a week? Does your business provide a valued service that may be of interest? Does your family have tickets to "the big game" or a suite that could be shared? Please prayerfully consider making a donation to Regis Royal T Night as a way to contribute to this great event! Contact Dianne Clarke at dclarke@regisroyals.org.

Applications for Financial Aid for School Year 2018-19

Tuition assistance for next school year, 2018-19, will again be available through STO and Regis Local Tuition Assistance funds. Application **MUST** be made online thru FACTS Management. The link for the online application is now available at www.online.factsmgt.com/aid. To be considered for a Round 1 Aid Award, the deadline for application and submission of supporting documents is **March 29, 2018**. Please be diligent about completing all aspects of the application and providing the documents requested. The Regis School code for the application is 36369. FACTS call center can be reached at 1-866-441-4637 Monday thru Friday 7:30 am - 9 pm. More application details and assistance information are provided on the Regis website at http://regisroyals.org/?page_id=328. Please contact Mary Carey in the Business Office if you have questions; mcarey@regisroyals.org.

Coffee & Hot Chocolate "Drive Through" Sale-March 20th

The Cedar Valley Humane Society service exploratory group will be hosting a coffee and hot chocolate stand during the car line **Tuesday, March 20th** as a way to raise funds to purchase much needed supplies for the shelter. Students will come to you and take your order while you are in the car line, and by the time you reach the top, the students will hand deliver the items you purchased – you will not need to leave your vehicle!

What: Hot chocolate and coffee available for purchase

When: **Tuesday, March 20th from 7:10 A.M-7:55 A.M.**

Where: Regis Middle School car line

Cost: \$2 each cup

Please let Mr. Halter at dhalter@regisroyals.org know if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you!

Yearbook Information!!!

The Yearbook crew is hard at work creating this year's memories. Issues with the online site have now been resolved and the crew is working overtime to create the best yearbook ever!



Yearbooks can be purchased by clicking [HERE](#). You can also access the Yearbook link on the Regis web page. Yearbooks cost only \$36 (\$40 for a personalized edition). **In addition, you can upload photographs to the site!!!** If you are a parent of a student involved in any activities and have taken photos that could possibly be used in the yearbook, the crew would greatly appreciate a copy. You can also simply send them to jparlet@regisroyals.org or njohnson@regisroyals.org. Thank you for all your patience this year as the crew has dealt with many difficulties with the yearbook site. But all is ready, set, and GO now!

1st Day of School Supplies 2018-2019

How is it possible that we are just a few weeks away from the 4th quarter? While that means all great things associated with summer and warm weather, it also means the 2018-2019 school year is on the horizon. Regis Middle School is once again partnering with 1st Day of School Supplies to offer the bundled door-to-door delivery of your students school supplies. For those of you who want a one-click shop and sent to school, this is the ticket. Click [here](#) to order your kit for next year.

Upcoming Spring Sports

Boys soccer and girls tennis will begin practices on Wednesday, March 21st, and boys and girls track will begin practice on Monday, March 26th. If your child is interested in participating in either of these sports and has not yet signed up, please email Tracie Chute at tchute@regisroyals.org or Dan Halter at dhalter@regisroyals.org.

Regis Boys Soccer Coach Needed

Regis Middle School is currently looking for a certified coach for our Regis boys soccer team. The season will begin March 19th and will run until the last game on May 14th. This is a paid position. Candidates must possess a K-12 Iowa Coaching Authorization. If you are interested please contact Dan Halter at dhalter@regisroyals.org or call 363-1968.

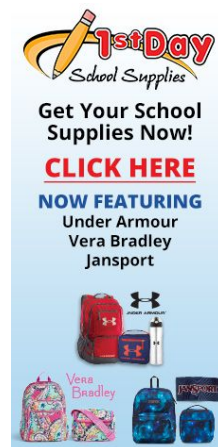
Turn in Hy-Vee Receipts Before the End of March

The last day to turn in Hy-Vee receipts for the Cash 4 Students program for the 2017-18 school year is March 30. Please turn in your receipts this month so we can include them in our final year's total. Remember we receive \$1 for every \$200 in receipts turned in so please bring us your Cedar Rapids and Marion Hy-Vee grocery, gas, drug store, Market Grille, and Hy-Vee Starbucks and Caribou receipts. Make sure the receipts are dated no earlier than April 1, 2017. Thank you for your help!

Is your student needing service hours? All Saints School Carnival is needing YOU!

The All Saints School Carnival depends on dozens of volunteers to help with the event. We are looking for student volunteers to help run the games during the carnival. The Carnival will be held on **Friday, May 18th from 6-8 pm**. We would need volunteers to arrive about 15 minutes before the event. If interested, please contact Jen Szymanowski at jlsadilek@hotmail.com or call her at 319-929-9074.

Volleyball Training Session for Incoming Freshmen



On Friday, March 9th, Xavier High School volleyball coach Austin Filer will host a volleyball training session from 6 pm - 8 pm at Iowa Sports Center, 2055 Robins Road, Hiawatha. If you are interested in attending please respond to Coach Filer at austin.filer@xaviersaints.org.

8th Grade Families: Applications Now Being Accepted for St. Francis Xavier Scholarship

Thanks to a generous financial donation, the Xavier Foundation is able to offer the St. Francis Xavier Scholarship. This scholarship awards FULL tuition to Xavier High School for up to four years to qualifying students. Students in grades 8-11 may apply.

In order to be eligible for consideration of the St. Francis Xavier Scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:

- a. They are a practicing Christian, participating in an area parish or church.
 - b. The combined household income must be less than \$75,000 per year.
 - c. They must have 2 teachers or 1 teacher and 1 coach's letter of recommendation to apply for the scholarship.
 - d. They must have 3.0 or better GPA or grade equivalent (if they have completed Grade 9 or above).
 - e. They must be in good standing within their community (i.e. no community offenses on record).
- Once the scholarship is awarded, the student must maintain a 3.0 GPA and have no major disciplinary issues.

Applications are available online at www.xaviersaints.org/stfrancisxavier or in the Xavier Foundation office at Xavier High School. Deadline for applications for the 2018-2019 School Year is **MARCH 30, 2018**. Contact Mary Harken, Xavier Foundation Development Director, with any questions at 319-378-4571 or mharken@xavierfoundation.org.

Financial Literacy Fair

The 8th graders will be attending the Financial Literacy Fair at the Kirkwood Linn County Regional Center in Hiawatha on Thursday, May 10th. At the fair, the 8th graders will have the opportunity to make financial decisions based upon a salary. The organizers of the fair are looking for volunteers to man the booths. You can find out more information about volunteer opportunities at the Financial Literacy Fair by clicking [here](#).

Mother/Daughter Retreat at All Saints

All Saints Parish is hosting a Mother/Daughter Retreat from **7 pm on Friday, April 20th until 10:30 am on Saturday, April 21**. This retreat is open to middle school girls and their moms, grandmas or other female adult in their life. Retreatants will enjoy crafts, treats, movies, games, pampering and prayer! Cost is \$30 for both mom and daughter. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board across from the Regis Main Office, or contact Casey at All Saints Church (formation@allsaintscr.com) for more information. Deadline to register is April 13th.

2018 Hesbaugh Lecture Series: The Church And The Hidden God

If a loving, all-powerful God exists, why isn't there more decisive evidence? Join us for "The Church And The Hidden God," a lecture by Meghan E. Sullivan, Ph.D. on **Monday, April 9, 7 pm** at Busse Center, Chapel of Mercy on the Mount Mercy University campus. Ms. Sullivan will explore this problem of divine hiddenness, a central challenge to rational religious belief. In this lecture, we'll consider what role the Church plays in helping us to have rational religious belief in light of hiddenness. Discussing themes from Job, Augustine, and contemporary philosophy,

we'll have an engaging debate about the roles of trust, authority, and community in overcoming doubt. The speaker, Meghan Sullivan, is a Professor of Philosophy and the Rev. John A. O'Brien Collegiate Chair at Notre Dame. She also serves as the Director of the University Philosophy Requirement. Sullivan's research tends to focus on philosophical problems concerning time, modality, rational planning and religious belief (but rarely all four at once). She teaches courses at all levels, including large introductory courses like God and the Good Life and specialized graduate seminars on metaphysics, philosophical logic, and rationality. She also works on developing the philosophy component of Notre Dame's core curriculum. This event is free and open to the public. A question/answer period and reception will follow.

MCO Update

We are serving almost 200 people from close to 80 families this week thanks to your generous support. **HAMS/Turkey Loaves**-we are taking donations for special additions to our food baskets for the weeks leading up to Easter. We have used earmarked funds to start us off this week-I've found good prices for small hams (2.5 lb) & turkey loaves at Fareway & Hy-Vee. Since our client families can only access the pantry once/month, we start four weeks early in order to help as many of our families as possible have something for their Easter meal.

HACAP (our food bank) & Hy-Vee are holding this year's **Great American Milk Drive**. We are excited about this because we will be able to pick up milk for our pantry clients for FREE as long as supplies hold up. Last year we distributed the free milk from April well into November!

PLEASE SUPPORT the milk drive, which runs through March, when you shop at Hy-Vee.
Thanks!

Pancake Mix/Syrup-we are still out of this item. If you are able to donate through your employer or can purchase & bring us some, we'd really appreciate it! **COPY PAPER**-we take donations of reams we use in our office. The less we purchase, the more funds we can put toward food or financial assistance. **NYLONS**-yes, used & clean pantyhose, if you still wear them or have some saved. We use them in the garden and will soon be gearing up for the coming season. You can drop them off or send them to the pantry & I'll get them to our garden.

Here are the food items we need to stock up on in order to serve more hungry families: **Peanut Butter/Jelly, Tuna, Canned Meat Products** (Chicken, Stew, Chili, etc.), Soup, Canned Pasta (Raviolios, etc.), Tomato Products, **Helper Meals** (Hamburger, Tuna, etc.), **Rice Products, Mac & Cheese, Crackers, Muffin Mix, Pancake Mix, Syrup** (for pancake mix), Snacks. *Thanks so much for all the "One-Step" potatoes! We love to give fresh potatoes to clients, and these bags support the garden grants we've received for the community garden at Prairiewoods. We can always use more of these items for personal care bags: Small/trial sized (hotel) **shampoo/conditioner, soap, lotion, etc.**, Full-size personal care products (for larger families). Also useful: Laundry detergent, cleaning products. We are truly grateful for your partnership in our efforts to ease the need for food & other assistance in our community.

On the Radar

Friday, March 9 - No School/Regis Offices CLOSED

March 12-16 -- SPRING BREAK! No School/Regis Offices CLOSED

Monday, March 19 (Day 6)

- Musical Vocal Rehearsal 3:30-6 pm

Tuesday, March 20 (Day 1)

- Jazz Band Practice **3 pm**
- Musical Rehearsal **5:30-8 pm**
- Regis Board of Education meeting **7 pm**

Wednesday, March 21 (Day 2)

- 7th & 8th Grade Reconciliation
- Hot chocolate & coffee sold in car line
- Boys Soccer & Girls Tennis Practices Begin
- Musical Rehearsal **3:30-6 pm**

Thursday, March 22 (Day 3)

- 6th Grade Jazz Band **3-4 pm**
- Musical Rehearsal **5:30-8 pm**

Friday, March 23 (Day 4)

- End of Quarter 3
- Casual Day
- Art Palette **3-4 pm**
- Musical Rehearsal **3:30-6 pm**