

The Royal Herald
A Weekly Newsletter for Regis Families
August 24th, 2018

Practicing School Safety

During our first two days of school, our students spent most of their time in their Homeroom Classes. Time has been spent getting to know our school (tours), our expectations, our procedures, and each other. We seek to build relationships, develop trust and create a safe school environment. As a part of this safe environment, we practice drills. Yesterday, our students practiced a fire drill. This morning our students practiced tornado drills and intruder training. During these drills, we reiterate to our students that we pray we never have to use these, but we practice these drills as a way to ensure that they know procedure and so they know that we are here to keep them safe. Be sure to ask your children about how the first two days of school have been for them. If things are not going well, we want to know. Please email Mrs. Globokar (bglobokar@regisroyals.org), Mr. Svare (msvare@regisroyals.org) and Mrs. Richmond (hrichmond@regisroyals.org).

7th & 8th Grade Athletic Practices Begin Monday, August 27th

All athletes **must** have a current physical on file as well as a concussion form.

7th & 8th Football: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - 4:30-6:30, Wednesday & Friday - 4:30-6pm

Girls Soccer: Monday - Thursday from 3:05-4:30 pm

Boys Tennis: Monday - Thursday from 3:05-4:30 pm, with optional Friday practices

Volleyball: 7th Grade from 4:30-6 pm and 8th Grade from 3:05-4:30 pm

Boys & Girls Cross Country: Monday - Thursday from 3:45-4:45 pm

Students are able to stay until their practices begin with a supervisor in our cafeteria.

If your child would like to sign up for any of the previously listed sports, please email Tracie Chute at tchute@regisroyals.org or have your child stop by the main office.

Picture Day is August 29th! You Can Order ONLINE!

You should have received an order form for school pictures during Ice Cream Social. If you were unable to attend, then your child will bring home the form today. The Regis Picture Day is Wednesday, Aug. 29th and all students will be photographed (whether you are ordering pictures or not). We need **all students in dress code for picture day** and their photograph will go on a student ID that they will use for lunch purchases. To order pictures online, you can go to:

www.inter-state.com/order and enter in the **Order Code: 28701ZB**. Or have your child bring their order form with payment to school the day of pictures.

Open Minds Open Door Conference

The Open Minds, Open Doors STEM+ Conference for **7th and 8th grade girls** will be held on **Thursday October 11th**, at Coe College in Cedar Rapids. The Open Minds, Open Doors Conference is intended to encourage middle school girls to pursue future career fields with foundations in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Hands-on workshops are

voluntarily conducted by professional women, introducing girls to a variety of careers in the Cedar Rapids-Iowa City Corridor. Each girl will be provided with a morning snack, lunch and a t-shirt. The cost of the conference is **\$14**. Mrs. Berns can take up to **25 7th and 8th grade girls** to this conference who have *not* attended in the past. Completed [registration forms](#) and a check made payable to Regis Middle School are **due** in the Main Office **Tuesday, September 4th**. Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis and the conference fills up quickly so we ask all registrations to be in September 4th. The conference attendees will be bussed to and from Regis. We plan to leave Regis by 8:20 a.m. and will return by 2:20 p.m. The description of the conference workshops will be made available Saturday, September 1st and can be found [here](#) under Career Workshop List. Students who attend will need to fill out an [Advance Absence Form](#). If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Nachman at knachman@regisroyals.org with any questions.

Summer Reading Challenge Wrap-Up!

Fifty of our nearly 60 Regis Summer Reading Challenge participants gathered in the library on August 14th to enjoy movie snacks and have some laughs, courtesy of "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No-Good, Very Bad Day." Students who completed a minimum of five challenges earned their invitation to the movie event and were able to set up their lockers a week early.

Congratulations to our drawing winners of a gift card to Barnes & Noble: Emma VonKampen, Hailey Pfab, Teresa Nguyen, Lucy Oehler and Aaron Stadelmann!

Please join us in celebrating the Summer Reading Challenge Participants who, together, completed 679 reading challenges over the past ten weeks: Natalie Allen, Leah Ambrosy, Gus Bates, Meredith Beer, Kamryn Benda, Brooke Bowersox, Olivia Cobb, Jonathan Collins, Megan Decker, Gabrielle Eidahl, Ava Engelbrecht, Jerry Erickson, Sarah Feller, Lillian Felser, Peter Felser, Marie Garland, JuJu Gielau, Tom Giorgio, Victoria Gomez, Bryton Hahn, Katelyn Hall, Olivia Haverback, Lainey Henley, Gracie Hines, Dylan Holub, Kaden Hotchkiss, Zoe Hutchcroft, Parker Jensen, Kjirsten Jorgenson, Ava Junge, Ava Kaiser, Avery Kepros, Sophia Kepros, Andrew Kirpes, Ella Marion, Kyla Mason, Rachel Meyer, Lucianne Nguyen, Teresa Nguyen, Liam O'Connell, Lucy Oehler, McKenzie Pence, Hailey Pfab, Emme Quinn, Elizabeth Renner, Ellie Renze, Grace Richmond, Nate Royer, Marissa Rushton, Ella Ryan, Austin Schechinger, Jenna, Scherrman, Aaron Stadelmann, Ta'Naysia Thornton, Ava VanBerkum, Emma VonKampen, Rob Welch and Chloe Wilson. Way to keep reading a part of your summer break, Royals! We think that's time very wisely - and hopefully quite enjoyably - spent!

Activities (Co-Curricular) Sign Ups

FTC: If your student likes to think outside the box and enjoys programing, FTC might be for them! Sign up outside Mrs. Berns' Classroom (Room 218). Your student should pick up an application when they sign up and return it by Aug. 29th. The first team meeting will be after school Aug. 29th, 3-4 pm. Regular meetings will be held during exploratory, Wednesday 3-4 pm, Thursday 7 am - 7:45 am, and any extras as the season progresses. We are in need of parent volunteers throughout the season, no experience required! Please contact Morgan Berns (mberns@regisroyals.org) or Heather Feller (hfeller@regisroyals.org) if you have any questions.

Mock Trial: There will be an informational meeting for any student in grades 6-8 who would like to participate in Mock Trial. The meeting will be Wednesday, August 29 ,3:00-3:30 pm in Mr. Efting`s room 212. This meeting will be just for the students.

Tuition Payment Time

Wednesday, August 15 was the due date for Annual and Quarterly tuition account payments. If you have any questions about your account or payment selection for this school year, please contact Mary Carey, mcarey@regisroyals.org, in the Business Office.

Tuition Payments via 529 Plans

In conjunction with a change in Iowa law for 2018, the Iowa ACE has worked with the Iowa Treasurer's Office on the procedures for parents to pay K-12 tuition from 529 Plans. Xavier Catholic Schools, including Regis, can now receive checks directly from a 529 plan or from a parent who receives funds from their 529 plan. Please review the attached flier for more detailed information from Iowa ACE [529 Plan Information](#).

In addition, the Iowa Department of Revenue has just released an [Iowa Tax Reform Guidance](#) document which clearly outlines that parents who use 529 plans to pay K-12 tuition ARE still eligible for the Iowa "Tuition & Textbook Credit" which allows them to take 25% of the first \$1000 paid for each dependent for tuition each year. Please take some time to review this important information

Parents with questions should either contact their tax advisor or:

- College Savings Iowa at 888-672-9116
- IAdvisor 529 Plan at 888-823-4358

PLEASE contact Mary Carey in the Business Office, mcarey@regisroyals.org, if you will be having funds sent to Regis from your Iowa 529 Plan.

Fees Payments

At this time, fees are due to be paid and sent to the Business Office. Thank you to the many families that have completed this part of the e-registration process. This is the link to the fees form: <http://regisroyals.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/Fees-Form-2018-2019.pdf>. If your student is participating in a fall sport or first quarter extra-curricular activity, the athletic fee or co-curricular fee is to be paid by Friday, Aug. 31. If you have any questions about fees, please contact Mary Carey, mcarey@regisroyals.org, in the Business Office.

After School Activities Bus Driver Needed

Do you enjoy driving and want to work a few hours a week? Regis is currently seeking a part-time bus driver for after school activities. Driving time is variable and will be in the Cedar Rapids/Marion area with occasional trips to Iowa City/Coralville. This position also would include some hours each month for maintaining the buses. Potential drivers should have a valid Class CDL license with passenger and air brake endorsements. If interested please contact Beth Globokar at bglobokar@regisroyals.org.

Order Your Future Saints Cards NOW!

You may now order 2018-19 Future Saints Cards for your student. Just \$20 gets your K-8th grade student into all Xavier home activities. Just click [HERE](#) and print off the form, fill it out and **return it with payment to Xavier High School**. GO SAINTS!

Register for Xpress Basketball

Xpress Basketball is committed to providing a fun, multi-level competitive experience for boys entering 2nd-8th grades. Our focus is to help each individual players build skills, confidence, and character; to create and promote TEAM focused play, success, and sportsmanship.

Register at <https://xpressbasketball.siplay.com/site/>

3rd-8th Grade Fee: \$200

**\$25 late fee applied after May 31

Team will be provided reserved practice times, league for both fall & winter & a portion of tournament fees. *Jerseys are not included in the registration fee. *Registration closes September 4th. For more information contact: xpressxavbasketball@gmail.com with questions.

MCO Update

We are serving over 460 people from 125 families in the food pantry this week with your generous support. We are looking forward to receiving donations from school, sports teams, & other school-related organizations' **food drives** this fall. These drives help us (and our clients) a lot. We accept food from just about anywhere, so feel free to organize a drive at your workplace, club meetings, etc. Our founding parishes bring so much food to us, but these drives are a good way to include people who aren't parishioners to increase our donations & spread the word about our mission. We will be needing some of this additional food before holiday season. Thanks for thinking of ways to help out!

We greatly appreciate all the fresh garden produce donors have been bringing in. Our garden at Prairiewoods is still at peak production, but after the dry weather followed by heavy rains, many tomatoes are splitting & vines are looking crispy. Having many sources helps us maintain the volume we need for our busy summer months. Thanks!

Please help us replenish our food supply with the following items: Peanut Butter/Jelly, Tuna & other canned meat products, **Soup**, Pasta, Pasta Sauce & Tomato Products, Canned Pasta (ravioli, etc.), **Canned Fruit**, **Canned Vegetables**, Canned Beans, **Potatoes (fresh or flakes)**, **Rice products**, Helper Meals, **Crackers**, **Pancake Mix/Syrup**, Baking Supplies (Flour, Sugar, Oil) are always useful. Our clients can always use: Toilet Paper & other paper products, Small/trial sized (hotel) shampoo/conditioner, soap, lotion, etc., Small toothpaste tubes, toothbrushes, floss, etc. (Thanks for all the recent donations!), **Full-size personal care products (for larger families)**, Laundry detergent & cleaning products (we can divide up laundry pods to give to more families). We are thankful for all our partners in carrying out our mission-serving our local neighbors in need.

On the Radar

Monday, August 27 (Day 3)

- iPad Boot Camp (1st Day to Take Home)

Tuesday, August 28 (Day 4)

- Radiance Practice **7 am**
- Football Pictures **4 pm**

Wednesday, August 29 (Day 5)

- Student Picture Day
- Regis Service Fair **12:30 - 2:45 pm**
- FTC Practice **3-4 pm**

Thursday, August 30 (Day 6)

- Eclipse Rehearsal **7 am**
- Tennis, Cross Country & Soccer Pictures

Friday, August 31 (Day 1)

- Casual Day
- Art Palette **3-4 pm**

Saturday, September 1

- Radiance Practice
- Cross Country Meet @ Linn-Mar **8-10 am**

Monday, September 3

- Labor Day - No School