



ST. SEBASTIAN SCHOOL

Celebrating Over 100 Years of Catholic Education

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Dear St. Sebastian School Community,

Although a short academic week, it's a big week around school!

As you well know, Monday concluded with a BIG Brewers win! In celebration of the greatest baseball team in the history of the world (ok, ok, the division...for now), all students and staff are welcome to wear their Brewers gear - or Brewers colors (white, yellow, and/or blue) on this coming Monday to celebrate with a dress down day!

Tomorrow is our second day of Conferences, and thus, no school for students - other than attending their conference if in grades 1st-8th. We look forward to seeing you tomorrow if we did not last week Wednesday.

Given this is our "study year" for next year's Accreditation process, this Thursday our staff will gather to dive into data, as well as organize our year of planning for the visit in 2019-2020.

Finally, This Friday our staff heads to the Wisconsin Center for the Archdiocesan Convention, where we will officially receive our school's award for our work in "Educating the Whole Child"! This will be an exciting day! Two years ago we set a goal as a faculty to pursue earning this distinction. Thus, we take great pride in the acknowledgement of our community's efforts in providing the most well-rounded education we can to over 300 students each day. We thank our Lord for the gift our students, for the gifts they uniquely bring to the community, and for the gift of the educational opportunities we have here at St. Sebastian Catholic School.

Have a great rest of the week, and God bless you,
Ms. Grams

P.S. - *How are you using your moments this year, like Esther, in following our school's theme?* A different student or staff member provides an encouraging reflection each day on announcements at prayer time! We hold our school family members' goals in our prayers each day as well.

"Perhaps this is the moment for which you were created." - Esther 4:14

NO SCHOOL – Remember, there is no school October 3rd, 4th and 5th due to conferences and teacher convention. PAL will be open on those days should you find yourself in need of child care. There is a fee for using PAL. Please contact Frank or Kelly at 414-453-8944 to make arrangements.

BREWERS DRESS DOWN – To celebrate the Brewers, all are welcome to dress down on Monday, October 8th! Jeans are acc, as is Brewers gear or the colors white, yellow and blue. If students do not want to wear Brewers clothes or colors, they may wear their uniform.

PHOTO RETAKES - If you want your child to have a photo retake, or if they did not have their picture taken when the photographers were here on August 23, the parent must please contact the school office at 414-453-5830 or pfredericks@saintsebs.org. We will add you to our list. 8th graders will have their graduation photos taken later in the year.

JOB OPENING - We are looking for a night receptionist at the Parish House. Hours are 4 pm to 8 pm Monday through Thursdays. Please email jperleberg@saintsebs.org if you are interested or wish more information.

UNIFORMS TO SHARE – We have a surplus of used uniform clothing. They are sorted and on shelves in the first floor hallway, next to the water fountains. Please help yourself. There is no charge.

YAC - Is looking for basketball coaches for 5th and 7th grade girls. We are also looking for a volunteer to be the basketball uniform coordinator. Please contact Michael Lehmann at 414-745-9987 or email at mlehmann2@wi.rr.com

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION - If you are a St. Sebastian parish member or day student in grades 5-8 and you would like to play basketball this year registration **deadline is October 10th**

Registration forms received after deadline will be accepted on a first come first serve basis. All teams have a 10-player limit after the deadline. Forms are available in the school office or on line.

Additionally, there will be a mandatory 5th grade or first time player meeting for all parents of students participating in basketball October 18th @ 7:30pm in the school cafeteria. The meeting will provide the necessary information regarding the program along with a questions and answers session.

Please print out a copy of the YAC policies found on the website below and bring it along with you to the meeting. We suggest you read through it prior to the meeting:<http://saintsebastianonline.net/community-life/sports/youth-athletic-council-2/>

Contact Michael Lehmann at 414-745-9987 or email mlehmann2@wi.rr.com if you have any questions.

ARTSONIA – Parents will receive a welcome email from an art program called Artsonia. Our art teacher, Ms. Brennan, has started using it so students and parents can view the student's online portfolio. The welcome email provides a link for parents to approve and give permission for the students to have a digital portfolio. Here is a short video explaining the program: <https://www.artsonia.com/video.asp>

FRIENDLY REMINDER-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WALK - is on Saturday, October 20th. The Home and School Committee will be providing some extra special "flare" to represent our school along the route. More info to come. Please plan on attending for a bit of fun and fellowship to start your weekend. Warm-up for the 2 mile walk starts at 9:40, walk starts at 10:00. Plan on meeting at Mount Mary. If you would like to register and/or donate please visit the catholicschoolswalk.org website and search St. Sebastian.

KOHL AWARDS - The Herb Kohl Educational Foundation is now accepting nominations for Teacher Fellowship and Principal Leadership awards. Winners will receive \$6,000, with an additional \$6,000 grant for the school of the recipient. **Please consider nominating a teacher or principal by the October 8th deadline.** [Nominate a Teacher here.](#) [Nominate a Principal Here.](#)

BOX TOPS - THANK you to everyone for participating in National Box Tops for Education Week collection. Nice job everyone. Over 800 box tops were collected. Congratulations to the 3 randomly chosen winners of the Yo Mama gift cards. Please keep clipping! And for more info, collection sheets and ways to earn money for our school with box tops please visit btfe.com

ROSIE READER - Congratulations to the following students for his progress in the Rosie Reader program:
Completing the letter "R" in reading:
Grade K4 - Ari Brown, Mason Groth and Kensley Long
Congratulations on your progress. Keep reading!!