



Thursday, February 15, 2024

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

ASSUMPTION MIDDLE SCHOOL

Our Mission: To inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition.

FEB 16

District Solo & Ensemble at Assumption

1st Sunday of Lent

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God— Mk 1:14

*To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul, my God, in you I trust; do not let me be disgraced; do not let my enemies gloat over me—
Psalm 25:1-2*

- Feb 18 BINGO @ Assumption
- FEB 23 Hex 4 Ends / Hex 5 Begins FEB 26
- FEB 28 Freshman Registration Night 5pm
- FEB 29 Report Cards sent home
- March 1 No School K-12
- March 2 Little Ceasar Pizza orders close
- March 6 Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30-6pm
Royal Parents Meeting 6pm
- March 7 Return Cake Roll orders
- March 15-16 Assumption's Got Talent
- March 15-18 Washington DC Trip
- March 25-April 2 NO SCHOOL K-12
Easter/Spring Break



Congratulations to our Knights of Columbus Math, Spelling and Free Throw contest winners!

Math & Spelling winners advance to the Diocesan Contest that will be held at St. Brons on March 2nd.

Free Throw winners advance to the Diocesan Contest held at Columbus HS on March 16th.

Winners of the Diocesan contest will advance to the State Contest held at Assumption on April 13!

Congratulations and good luck to all our winners!

Math Winners:

Dominic Schoenick, Kaya Guyant & John Minarcin

Spelling Winners:

Arryanna Beaumont & Logan Breu

Free Throw Winners:

Peter Kuhn, Aubryelle Rucinski, Lizzy Morrow, Emmercyn Breu, Odyn France, Cullen Thomas & Drew Steltonpohl



Current Fundraisers



AMS is hosting a Little Caesar fundraiser to reduce the cost of the middle school yearbook.

Fundraiser will be open from February 2—March 6

All orders done online and delivered directly to your home.
Click on link below to place an order. Thank you

<https://fundraising.littlecaesars.com/products?support=bb47c4d6-e4f1-48c4-b963-443278dd9388>



Our Royal Parents Association is hosting a Joyful Cake Roll fundraiser.

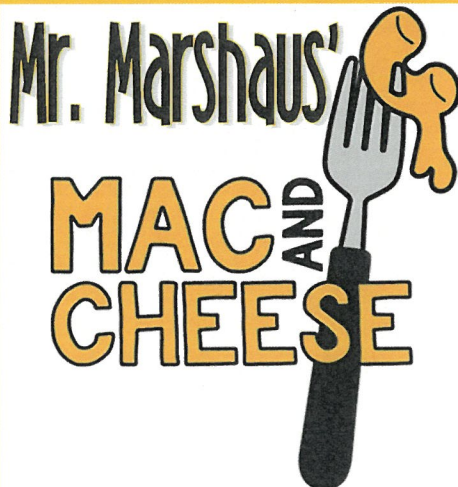
These cake rolls are delivered frozen—you simply thaw and serve when ready.

They are delicious and will arrive before Spring Break—just in time to serve on Easter Sunday!

Order form is included in your Friday Folder—return to your school office.

All orders due on or before March 7th & delivery date is Wednesday, March 20th.

Thank you for your support!



https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPyGAKN5vdV9gZAVo0UkP0kEppD2mf6IGBb8dB8g_pimhfA/viewform?usp=sf_link

5-7pm every Friday evening during Lent enjoy a delicious meal consisting of: Mac n' cheese 2 garlic bread sticks and dessert .

Pre-order meal using the link above

ASSUMPTION Flag Football Academy

Assumption's Flag Football Academy is open to all (boys & girls) in grades K-12. Participants do NOT have to be enrolled in an ACS school to join. All are welcome.

Players will learn about the game of flag football and participate in game play.

Teams will be grouped by: K-2nd gr, 3rd-5th gr, 6th-8th gr, & 9th -12th gr.

All games played at the Our Lady Queen of Heaven football field.

FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION

- Registration fee - \$25.00
- Return registration by April 5th, 2024
- Players registered by 4/05 will receive a t-shirt.
- Looking for volunteer coaches - fill out form below if you can help.



**Return form with
payment to your
school office.**



Game Dates:

Saturday, April 20

Saturday, April 27

Saturday, May 4

Saturday, May 11

Saturday, May 18

Saturday, May 25

Academy Times:

K-2 from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

3-5 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.

6-8 from 11:00-12:00 p.m.

9-12 from 12:00-1:00 p.m.

FLAG FOOTBALL ACADEMY - REGISTRATION due by April 5th, 2024

Name: _____ Grade: _____
Emergency Contact: _____ Phone # _____
Email: _____

T-Shirt size: Youth size ___S___M___L or Adult size ___S___M___L___XL

\$25.00 registration fee - Cash or Checks payable to ACS.

FLAG FOOTBALL ACADEMY - COACHING REGISTRATION

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____
Email: _____

Please indicate (x) which league you would be interested in coaching.

___ K-2 grade ___ 3-5 grade ___ 6-8 grade ___ 9-12 grade

A mouth guard, water bottle, and running shoes/cleats will be required for all players.

Please **register by no later than April 5th, 2024.** Late registrations not guaranteed a t-shirt.

Any questions? Please contact Mr. Joe Rayles at jrayles@assumptioncatholicschools.org

St. Vincent de Paul Soup Sale 2024



Warm up your winter with some of
our delicious soup!!!

**Cheesy Broccoli Cauliflower
Chicken Dumpling Soup
Tortilla Soup**

**Pick up your soup in the Cafeteria
Saturday, February 17th from 3p.m. to 5p.m.
Or After Mass Saturday February 17th
and Sunday February 18th**

\$8.00 per Quart

Save the Date

All ABOARD! *the* LEARNING EXPRESS!

Save the date for our ACS Stay Smart Summer Program

Stay Smart Program Highlights:

- No cost - program is FREE to attend
- For: Students currently in 4K thru 8th Grade
- Dates: Tues, Wed & Thurs - June 11-July 11 (no session on July 4)
- Time: 9am—Noon
- Location: Assumption library & classrooms
- Focusing on: Reading & Math Enrichment, Weekly Art Projects, and mini Religion Lessons

To register, please fill out the pre-registration form below or email Stay Smart Director: Mrs. Behrend at sbehrend@assumptioncatholicschools.org

Pre-register by: April 28, 2024.



Stay Smart Pre-Registration

Student Name _____ Grade ____

Student Name _____ Grade ____

Student Name _____ Grade ____

Student Name _____ Grade ____

___ **YES** My child/children will definitely be participating in this years' program.

___ **UNSURE** Interested, but unable to commit at this time.



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Board of Directors/Parent Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 7, 2024
4:30 pm
AHS Library



Present: Daniel Minter, ACS President & Board Member
Fr. Guanella, Pastor/Dean's Delegate
Kerry Meinel, ACS Enrollment, WPCP/SNSP Coordinator
Pam Fochs, SV Principal
Shelley Bruley, OLQH Principal
Jimmy Lynch, AMS/AHS Principal & Parent
Debbie Schoenick, Parent
Jill Vruwink, Parent
Lindsay Graumann, Parent
Nicole Kester, Parent
Sara Boyce, Parent
Joy Kraft, Parent
Amanda Braaten, Parent

Per State requirement, Assumption Catholic Schools holds two Board of Directors meetings per year. The purpose is to inform parents on the State of the Schools, provide updates to parents, and answer parent questions.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Minter at 4:30 pm.

Fr. Guanella led an opening prayer.

- Kerry Meinel gave an update on enrollment and the required 2nd Friday in January Count Date. There are two required count dates per year. The 3rd Friday in September and the 2nd Friday in January. This year, the 2nd Friday in January was actually a snow day, so attendance was taken before and after the count date. The count included 432 total students in grades K-12, 183 WPCP participants, and 31 SNSP participants.
- Enrollment/Re-Enrollment has begun for ACS and the WPCP program. The last day to apply for WPCP is April 18th. The last day to get ACS Scholarship forms into Mrs. Meinel is April 19th.
- In regards to how Choice Vouchers are given...For the 2024-25 school year, state law mandates that no more than 9% of student membership of a public school district may participate in the WPCP. The DPI does a random drawing. If more seats become available due to students that decline the voucher or later withdraw from their school, the DPI will fill the available seats from the waiting list.
- Spring Assessment dates are attached.
- Volunteer hours and fundraising – Events such as concessions at games and Solo and Ensemble cannot occur without the help of many. ACS does ask parents and students to volunteer at various school events. No punishment will occur if a family does not volunteer. Assistance is greatly appreciated at these events.
- For specific questions regarding WPCP or SNSP please contact Mrs. Meinel.

- Thank you to everyone who completed the survey that went out. We are in the process of looking over the responses with the administrative team and the Education Commission and will follow up with results soon.

The Next Board of Directors Meeting will be in the Fall of 2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kerry Meinel.

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Vision: A community of academic excellence, Catholic in spirit and culture, nurturing integrity and respect

Student Assessments (WPCP Required):

ACT with Writing (open to all juniors) Grade 11 – March 12, 2024

Pre ACT Secure: Grades 9 and 10 – Testing window 3/18-4/26

Forward Exam: Spring 2024 - Testing window 3/18-4/26

Grades 3-8 English Language Arts and Math

Grades 4 and 8 Science

Grades 4, 8, and 10 Social Studies

Additional testing for all students:

PSAT-Optional for Gr. 11- October 24, 2023

Star Testing 3 times per year for each student in Reading and Math

ITBS Testing-Grades 2-10– OLQH & SV 4/8-4/19 AMS & AHS TBD Spring 2024

Diocesan Religious Assessment-Grades 5, 8, 11 - SV 2/5-2/16

Curriculum website: K-12 Course descriptions and assessment info.

<https://sites.google.com/acswr.org/acscurriculum/home>

Assumption Catholic Schools (ACS) Royal Parents Association (RPA)

February 7th, 2024

Board of Representatives:

Jill Vruwink & Lindsay Graumann, Co-President
Amanda Braaten, Secretary
Tania Halbersma, Treasurer

School Representatives:

AMS/AHS:
Stacey Laramée & Lindsay Graumann & Tania Halbersma
SVDP: Nikkie Kester & Sara Boyce
OLQH: Amanda Braaten & Jenna Lynch

Attendees:

- Jill Vruwink, President
- Lindsay Graumann, Vice President
- Amanda Braaten, Secretary
- Nikkie Kester
- Joy Kraft
- Sara Boyce
- Lindsay Graumann
- Shelley Bruely, OLQH Principal
- Pam Fochs, SVDP Principal
- Matt Zakowski, Advancement Director

Next Meeting March 6th, 2024 at 6pm AHS Library
****1st Wednesday of the Month****

Opening Prayer	Hail Mary
Treasurer Report	<p>Deposits and Expenses Paid Out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Check from Box Tops was received and will be deposited (all virtual scanning in now) - Feb 4th Bingo ACS Soccer Team: \$2200.00 - Jan 7th Bingo Girls Basketball Bingo: \$1000.00 - Jan 21st Bingo St Vincents: \$1300.00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Questions about current balance on clothing since the sales at games and bingo have been so great. Looking to get another order placed with the Lion Logo rather than the A next time.
Clothing Store	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Online Store is ready to launch, going with InkSplash. Hoping we could get it done in time for spring sports but not sure it'll be ready in time. ● Plans to restock the store, checking on inventory. ● Championship shirts will still come from Design Monkey due to needing the quick turnaround.
Funds Requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sophomore Class sent out an email today requesting parents to pay \$10 with a sign up genius for snacks/drinks to be donated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ \$300 is being donated by Royal Parents to help offset these costs since the drinks and snacks support ALL ACS high school students ● Staff are strongly encouraged to request funds from Royal Parents and present at our next month's meeting
Misc Ideas/Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fat Tuesday:

<p>from Today-March 31st</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MS is doing candy grams ○ HS 'crush' cards approved by Jimmy; will go out in the Friday Folder ● 'Egged for Easter' <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ There are conversations starting about an Easter fundraiser where you can give a family an Egg Hunt at their home. ○ Are there any groups interested in supporting this? ○ Need to determine a price. ○ Nikkie Kester ○ Easter is March 31st
<p>Upcoming Fundraisers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teacher Appreciation coming up in May ● Culvers Fish Fry is booked until March of 2025, Mondays/Tuesdays, once per month, told to call back in August ● Royal Paw Print coming out in Fall for sure ● Yard Signs for Homecoming next year; pre-order only ● Cake Rolls: Tricia Gellerman <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sales Start Feb 19th ○ Delivery/Pick Up will be the week before Spring Break ○ Concerns with profits for the work that goes in ○ This is a different time of year so hoping that will make a difference - Spring Fundraiser: Flower Sale (Lindsay Graumann) Considering Bloom for fresh cut flower sales, Reeves was recently sold to another local family. We are looking into bringing back flower sales; both hanging baskets and fresh cut from local greenhouses/shops. Prices have been dramatically impacted by inflation and covid. - Spring Fundraiser: Shredding Party (Pacelli has had great success with this in the past), consider for after tax season, Pre-Order yard signs for Homecoming next year; hard to plan for due to how early it is but talk about in Spring - Fall Royal Paw Print & Yard Signs (chalk or paint can be used); needs to be rolled out in August with Back to School information, yard signs should be pre-ordered
<p>BINGO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Previous Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sept 17th 3rd Grade \$400; 35 cards sold ○ Oct 1st Sophomore Class (1st grade switched) \$600; 49 cards sold ○ Oct 15th Cross Country \$800 earned!! Congrats on State Performance!! ○ Nov 5th Tennis Team \$1000 earned!! Great turn out! ○ Nov 19th Junior Class \$950 earned!! ○ Dec 3rd Boys Basketball \$1200 earned!! 50/50 was donated back to the group!! Thank you Sarah Birkhauser!! ○ Jan 7th Girls Basketball \$1000 earned!! ○ Jan 21st SVDP 4th Grade \$1300 earned!! ○ Feb 4th Soccer earned \$2200!! 50/50 was over \$600!! Amazing turn out with 196 in attendance!!

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Upcoming Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Feb 18th SVDP 5th Grade ○ March 3rd Freshman Class ○ March 17th 2nd Grade ○ April 7th Track Team ○ April 21st OLQH ○ May 5th 8th Grade ● Concessions Update: everything needs to be replaced after such a large turn out ● Looking Ahead: The Progressive BINGO Black Out change mid year was a HUGE success for the groups signing up. This year's jackpot will rollover to next years starting jackpot so let's keep growing!! ● Please watch for an interest survey!! ● 10 games are still being played!
<p>Follow Up & Next Meeting:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Royal Card money pays for Catholic Schools Week; looking for getting price back down to \$10 like other community schools (Jill is following up with Renee) <input type="checkbox"/> Concerns with the Royal Parents not having a seat at the Finance meeting when their finances are being discussed. Waiting for follow up.



Wisconsin Rapids Youth Sports Association: Online Registration

January 8th - February 9th 2024 – online only

Baseball	Age	Division	Softball	Age	Division
Age on April 30th is your playing 'age' for Baseball	5-6	T-ball	Age on January 1st is your playing 'age' for Softball	5-6	T-ball
	7-8	8u		7-8	8u
	9-10	10u		9-10	10u
	11-12	12u		11-12	12u
	13-15	15u		13-14	14u

There are multiple ways to get to the WRYSA registration website:

- Go to our webpage <http://www.wrysa.com> and click on the league registration tab to register online.
- Check out the WRYSA Facebook Registration event @ www.facebook.com/wrysa, event: <https://fb.me/e/373vEd53u>.
- Go to SportsEngine directly @ this link: <https://wrysa.sportngin.com/register/form/359262280>

The registration fee for all ages 7 and older will be \$60 plus participation or buy-out of the league fundraiser. The registration fee for T-Ball 5–6-year-old age group will be a flat rate of \$25 (T-ball parents are not required to participate in league fundraiser).

The league fundraiser consists of buying a box of 48-SEROOGY candy bars for \$96; the cost is recovered by selling the candy bars @ \$2.00 each. Those wishing not to sell candy bars may opt-out by paying a \$50 buy-out fee during registration.

For those participating in the league fundraiser: SEROOGY candy bars will be dispersed at the pre-season Parent Meeting @ The FallBack.

NEW this Year! Concession stand volunteer-shift BUY-OUT option! Please read through the registration information online thoroughly for more details.

Each baseball & softball player will receive a team T-shirt and hat included with registration.

Representative Contact Information:

WRYSA President: Peggy Jaminski president@wrysa.com 715-213-1533

WRYSA Vice President: Nate Knutson vicepresident@wrysa.com 715-572-2978

Baseball League Co-coordinators: Jeb McKinney (262-433-1129) & Shannon Scheunemann (715-213-7172)

Softball League Coordinator: Brendan Norris brendannorris.bn@gmail.com 218-260-5863



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Classes are offered for any skill level and ages 3 and up. Adult class available.

In-Person REGISTRATION DATES FOR Spring 2024

Sunday, February 25th from 3:00-6:00 pm

Wednesday, March 13th from 5:30-7:00 pm

or by **MAIL** with registration form on www.WRFSC.com

LTS Registration closes on **Monday, March 25, 2024**

WHERE: South Wood County Recreation Center, 2711 16th Street South, Wisconsin Rapids

CLASS DATES: April 8, 11, 15, 18, 29 and May 2, 6, & 9th

**Note there will be no LTS the week of April 22nd however we will have a FUN skate night on April 22nd)*

All LTS classes are 30 minutes long, and will be held between **5:45 pm and 7:15pm**. You will be notified by email one week prior to the start of the session with the exact time of your 30 minute class.

COST: All classes \$60.00 for first skater; \$55.00 for any additional skaters

EQUIPMENT: Skaters will need to have skates (no double blades) with sturdy skate boots. Rental skates are available through the rink for a fee of **\$24 due at first lesson** (\$3 per lesson for 8 lessons) to be paid at the first lesson. Skate guards are recommended for safety.

MORE INFO: For further information about the Learn To Skate program, please contact Dara Hamm at (715) 570-8307 or by email at learntoskate@wrfsc.com.

For more information, registering by mail, or skating club programs, please visit our website at: WWW.WRFSC.COM

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Learn-to-Skate Registration

* Special Requests:

Empty box for special requests with a note: * May or may not be honored.

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Please Circle all the apply:

Previously Registered for LTS: Yes / No
New To LTS: Yes / No
Play Hockey: Yes / No Level: _____

Please Print:

Name _____ Age _____ Birthday _____ Male/Female _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Insurance Company _____

E-mail address _____

Paid by: Check No. _____ Cash _____ Other _____

Fee: \$60.00 for 8 - 30 minute lessons for first skater;
\$55.00 for 8 - 30 minute lessons for any additional skaters

Make Checks Payable to WRFSC. There will be a \$10.00 charge for NSF. There will be no refund without a Doctor's excuse. LTS will be held regardless of weather conditions.

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, I authorize his/her participation in WRFSC lessons and agree to accept full responsibility for all fees incurred by them. We further authorize the officers and instructors of WRFSC to exercise their judgment in obtaining medical care by certified personnel in the event of an acute illness or injury necessitating such care. We agree to pay all expenses for such illness or injury. We recognize that the Wisconsin Rapids Figure Club and the South Wood County Recreation Center along with their respective officers and employees assume no responsibility for accidents on or off the ice or loss of personal property.

Medical Conditions: _____

Parent / Guardian Print: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

[] I do not want photographs of my skater posted on the WRFSC website or Facebook page.

Mail to: Learn to Skate, % Dara Hamm, 2210 66th St. So., Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
An email will be sent 1 week before lessons start to inform you of your skater's lesson time.
Rental Skate available through the rink, Purchase on the 1st day of the session.