

From The Heart | Weekly Newsletter of Sacred Heart School

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Our Mission || Sacred Heart School is a Catholic community of faith, service, and academic excellence.

Key Dates

- Mar 17-Jun 18 – Campus closure following WA state guidance. Remote learning via Teams
- May 1 – May 31 – Spirit Month
- May 10 – Mass, 11 am, [Sacred Heart Church](#) in Facebook
- May 11 – Rosary with Fr. John, 7 pm, [Sacred Heart Church](#) in Facebook
- May 13—Grandparents & Grandfriends' Mass, 8:45am, online
- May 14 – School Mass, 8:45 am, [Sacred Heart Church](#) in Facebook
- May 14 – Online Variety Show, 6:30 pm
- **June 9 – Service Job Sign Up, online, 7 am**

[2019-20 Full Year Calendar](#) & [2020-2021 Full Year Calendar](#)



Get in on all the fun! Follow Sacred Heart School
on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#)

The Week Ahead | May 11th to 15th

Find all information needed to assist and guide your child(ren) through the upcoming week of remote learning.

Class Newsletters & Sways

- [Pre-K Newsletter \(PDF\)](#)
- [Kindergarten Newsletter & Packet \(PDF\)](#)
- [1st Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [2nd Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [3rd Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [4th Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [5th Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [6th Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)

- [7th Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)
- [8th Grade Newsletter \(Sway\)](#)

Clubs

- [Baking Club](#)
- [STEM Club](#)

From the Office

Spirit Month

Later today, you will receive a calendar with all the activities for Spirit Month in which your children can participate in order to have fun and earn points for their Field Day team! Whenever they participate, they can take a photo and [submit it to Mrs. Davis](#) in order to earn their points.

GRANDPARENTS & GRANDFRIENDS



Grandparents' and Grandfriends' Day

This year we will have a special Grandparents' and Grandfriends' Mass **on Wednesday, May 13 at 8:45 am**. It will be livestreamed on the parish website and their Facebook page, as usual. We will also be sending out a special video to all of them from the school with some fun highlights of this year. Finally, we will be mailing out to every family three postcards that we are asking all our students to fill out with a message and mail to their grandparents and grandfriends. If you have questions, please contact [Tegan Clise](#) in the Development Office.



Distinguished Teacher & Staff Awards 2019-2020

Each year, Sacred Heart School recognizes one teacher and one staff member for exemplary performance and professionalism. We invite you to share your appreciation for an outstanding SHS teacher or staff member by nominating them for the Distinguished Teacher and Staff Award*. This annual award is our chance to recognize excellence in our community at Sacred Heart!

Nomination forms are available on-line using the following link: [Distinguished Teacher and Staff Nomination Form](#). **All nominations are due by Monday, May 18th, 2020.**

Questions? Please e-mail parentsclub@sacredheart.org

** Eligible nominees for the 2019-2020 school year are noted on the nomination form. Nominees must have completed 3 full years at SHS. In addition, teachers and staff are only eligible to be nominated if they have not received the award within the past 3 years.*

MAP Assessments – Math and Language Grades 4-8 (Grade 3 Optional)

Typically, our students take MAP assessments in the fall, winter, and spring. This information is vital to measuring student growth and guiding teachers in planning curriculum and instruction. Given the unique situation we find ourselves in with remote learning, we believe gathering some of the spring data will be particularly beneficial as we plan not only the rest of this school year but how we approach next year.

For this reason, we will conduct **remote MAP assessments in Math and Language**. Both tests will be conducted on the same day and students who test will not have any additional classes that day.

- **Tuesday, May 19:** Middle School Math and Language – No other classes that day
- **Thursday, May 21:** Grades 4-5 Math and Language – No other classes that day
- **Thursday, May 21:** Grade 3 Testing by teacher request or optional Math and Language (more information to follow)

Please mark these dates and watch for additional information and instructions in next week's From the Heart.

Desk/Locker Clean Out

Teachers and staff are collecting students' personal items and supplies from desks and lockers. Items will be placed in bags and available for **drive-by pick up** in the upper lot outside the library on **May 26 and 27** as follows:

Tuesday, May 26

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Last names A-F

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Last names G-L

Wednesday, May 27

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Last names M-R

12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Last names S-Z



Facebook Student Spotlights

Ending the school year online is sad for everyone, but it is especially disappointing for our 8th grade students. Throughout the rest of the school year, we will be highlighting two of our 8th grade students each day on [Facebook](#). Stop by the page and leave them some words of support.

Virtual School Tour

With the campus closed, we've had to find some new ways to introduce our school to prospective families. One great way is the creation a [virtual school tour](#) video by Laura Leach, our Director of Admissions, which stars several of our teachers and staff. You can watch it on our website or share it with a friend who wants to know more about our school.

ESS Registration for 2020-2021

ESS applications for next school year are now available [online](#). Please fill out the editable PDF, found at the bottom of that page, and email it to [Amy Davis](#) rather than submitting a hard copy. You will receive confirmation of enrollment (or notice of waitlist placement if necessary) **no later than the end of June**. I anticipate being able to approve all applications that are submitted prior to summer break. Next school year we will be introducing an afterschool ESS option for our Pre-K program. If the combination of ESS fees and tuition creates an unmanageable financial burden for your family, please contact [David Burroughs](#) to discuss tuition assistance. If the program does not fill to capacity, we will be able to offer a soccer season plan for those who only need ESS through the end of October. If this is possible, it will be communicated in August. I speak for the entire ESS team when I say we cannot wait to resume ESS and care for your kiddos in September! Questions regarding ESS should be sent to ESS Director [Amy Davis](#) or ESS Assistant Director [Aysia Hernandez](#).



Lands End – Customer Appreciation Event 40% Off in school uniforms

Friends & Family Promo, includes free shipping and no minimum
Valid: May 7 -13 | Code: FSNM | PIN: 1234



I find **Common Sense Media** to be the Holy Grail of navigating the ever-changing digital world as a parent or an educator. Common Sense Media has seemingly limitless resources for parents and educators on things like: app reviews, understanding trendy tech things that kids are using, digital citizenship tips, and so much more.

If you're not subscribed to their email, what better time than now, when life is very centered around devices. Below is some information from the most recent newsletter- you can subscribe to receive the Common Sense Media Newsletter [here](#)!

Common Sense Media Newsletter from May 6, 2020

One of the most frustrating aspects of pandemic life is having absolutely no road map for how to parent through this. If the digital world feels alien, there's nothing like TikTok, Zoom, and remote learning to make you feel like a stranger in a strange land. Right there with you! To help you keep up with the million-and-one things coming out of left field, we're trying something new this week: highlights of the hottest topics, smartest tips, best resources, and more of what you need to know right now.

What should I know about TikTok?

With more than 100 million users, TikTok has emerged as a kind of unifying force during the quarantine with trending challenges from global dance-offs to the Quarantine Olympics (with events like sock-sliding on a wooden floor). TikTok was weird before, but in pandemic times it's truly a global phenomenon worthy of a deep dive. [Read more](#)

Help! My kids are running out of things to do

Even devices eventually get boring when you're forced to stay home. Spice things up (and keep kids busy) with activity books that offer inspiration for things to do, ranging from creative journaling to Tai Chi. Whether they want to learn something new or hone a craft, you'll find no shortage of ideas. Two not to miss: [The Daring Book for Girls](#) and [The Double Dangerous Book for Boys](#). [Read more](#)

What's next for my kids in the aftermath of the shutdown?

Join our weekly webinar series Conversations with Common Sense for timely discussions with leading authors, experts, and thought leaders on raising happy and healthy kids. Next week's special guest is bestselling author and nationally renowned clinician Madeline Levine, whose new book, *Ready or Not: Preparing Our Kids to Thrive in an Uncertain and Rapidly Changing World*, couldn't have come at a better time. Join us Wednesday, May 13, at 10 a.m. PDT/1 p.m. EDT. [Register](#)

We have a podcast!

Stick in your earbuds and stream our new podcast, [Parent Trapped](#), with host Ann Marie Baldonado. Designed to support you through these challenging times, each episode brings real-world stories and tips on everything from juggling work and school with kids at home to awesome pillow fort designs (!) and great family movies. The premiere episode features our senior research director Michael Robb talking about screen time, plus author Hillary Frank with advice from her book *Weird Parenting Tips* and an interview with young adult author and artist Jarret J. Krosoczka. [Available on Apple Podcasts](#) and wherever you get your podcasts.

Questions? Comments? Please, contact [Deanna Simmons](#).

From the Development Office



Thank you to our Sacred Heart community for being a part of GiveBIG!

Thank you to all who participated in the GiveBIG campaign! With your help, we raised over \$6,750! Thank you to our school and parish families, staff and alumni who joined in this fundraising event to benefit the SHS Annual Fund.

We are 84% to our Annual Fund goal of \$275,000. There is still time to support our students and teachers as we continue the instructional programs necessary for our students' learning and formation during this time. For information on how you can help, please click on [why giving matters](#) or contact [Katy Gregg](#).

A special thank you to an anonymous donor! Thanks to their generous directed gift, all our classrooms will be equipped with new box lightboards when our students return to campus next school year. We are truly grateful for your collaboration!

From the Parent's Club



School Supplies for 2020-2021 school year

SHS is once again partnering with 1st Day School Supplies to easily and conveniently purchase school supplies for the 2020-2021 school year. They have guaranteed competitive prices on the

highest quality brands. And the best part is you don't need to go to the store! They deliver directly to the school!

Simply click [HERE](#) to access the school supply lists for 1st through 8th grade, select your school supply kits, and then check out! The kits will be delivered to school prior to the first day and will be waiting for your students in their classrooms.

If you're interested in ordering through 1st Day School Supplies, please make sure to order early as they expect to see a dramatic increase in orders this year.

Sacred Heart Activities



Playmakers News

Play Reading Group (5th – 8th graders)

Join your fellow Spartans to read some of our favorite scripts together (no singing required!). Each week will feature a different script from Playmakers shows of years past, plus a few requested shows. Sign up for one week, or every week! Visit the [Playmakers website](#) for more information, or to sign up for next week's reading of *High School Musical*!

Questions? Email bboyd@sacredheart.org

From the Parish

Participate in Pastoral Planning Today!

Please, participate in the survey to support the new Pastoral Plan from Archbishop Etienne to build a thriving and more mission-oriented Catholic community in Western Washington. Participants should allow *at least* 15-20 minutes to complete the survey.

- **ENGLISH SURVEY** CatholicSurvey2020.com (see the [video announcement by Archbishop Etienne](#)).
- **SPANISH SURVEY** EncuestaCatolica2020.com (see the [video announcement by Bishop Elizondo](#)).

Live streaming masses at Sacred Heart Parish

You may continue to participate in our Sunday Mass with Fr. John Madigan, online via [Facebook Live](#) every Sunday at 11 am, as well as Wednesday School Mass, and daily Mass on Thursday and Friday, all at 8:45 am.

>Click [here](#) for the latest Sacred Heart Parish bulletin. If you wish to view an older bulletin, click [here](#).

Our Vision || Sacred Heart School is committed to providing an excellent academic education in a welcoming environment of faith and virtue. We accomplish this by building an active partnership between our families, school, and parish. Graduates of Sacred Heart School are servant leaders who are well prepared to embrace the life that God calls them to live.

From the Heart is published weekly during the school year on Fridays.

If you have content to include in future newsletters, please [obtain administration permission](#) and then send to fth@sacredheart.org by **Tuesday** night