

Immaculate Conception † St. Joseph School Newsletter

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September 1, 2022

With support from families, we respect and encourage students to reach their potential **Spiritually** by developing a strong relationship with Jesus and knowledge of His church, **Academically** by igniting learning, leadership and life skills, **Physically** by learning about and living healthy habits and **Socially** by becoming active members of the community who serve others as stewards of the Gospel so they are the light of Christ in the world.

School Pictures

K-8 students will have their picture taken on Thursday, September 8. This will be an out of uniform day. Students may wear nice jeans/shorts with an appropriate shirt. No spaghetti straps, tank tops, or hats may be worn.

St. Joseph Preschool pictures will be taken on Friday, September 9.

Order forms are being sent home today and need to be returned with payment on picture day if not ordering online.

To order online go to: <http://halverson-photography.hhimagehost.com/2022DonBosco>

IC Church Youth Choir

Check out this new opportunity for youth to get involved in music ministry at IC Church. Beginning in September, student in grades 3-12 are invited to sing with the youth choir at 10:00am Mass! We will not practice before Mass. So all you need to do is walk up to the front of church when you arrive with your family and check in with Mrs. Knepper or Mrs. Ann Schmitz who will be playing piano for the group. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Knepper at

nknepper@boscocatholic.org

Here are the Youth Choir Dates for the Fall:

Sunday, September 4

Sunday, September 11

Sunday, October 9 * Possibly* - look for further communication on this date

Sunday, October 16

Sunday, November 6

Sunday, November 27

See you at Mass!!

Reminder

When sending money/checks to the office, please put it in an envelope marked with a first & last name and what it is for.

No School Monday, September 5 - Labor Day

From Mrs. Knepper...

I want to take a minute to let everyone know that our school has a subscription to a wonderful music website called Music Play Online. I love this website because it has many great resources that I can use in music class. I also love this website because we get a student access code with our subscription! With the code, students can explore the websites games, songs, and activities from home. To access the site, go to www.musicplayonline.com register as a student, and enter our school code: **b002331**

If you have any questions, please reach out to me at nknepper@boscocatholic.org.

Have a great time exploring music!



WELCOME TO BOSCO Family Tailgate Night
All Kindergarten, 1st grade and 2nd grade families at IC & St. Athanasius are invited to attend. Current families, help us to welcome our new families by attending the tailgate! New families, come and see what a great community we have! Bring all the kids and stay for the football game to cheer for the Dons!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION • ST. ATHANASIOUS • BCSS
Kindergarten, 1st Grade & 2nd Grade Families

Welcome to Bosco Family Tailgate Night

☐ Join us for a back to school meet and greet, tailgate style! ☐
☐ DB Cheerleaders will provide DB tattoos & blue/yellow hair spray to students ☐
☐ FREE admission to the football game at 7pm ☐

Sept. 9, 2022 | 5:30 PM | Don Bosco Football Field

Meet, mingle, and experience the Bosco Pride!
We are DB!

Please bring your own
(non alcoholic) beverages and a
snack to share.

Our concession stand will open
during the football game.


STO Annual Report

In the 2021-22 school year, 2,954 students across the Archdiocese received Our Faith STO assistance. Your generosity helped 34% of our Archdiocesan students, or 1 out of every 3 students! The 2021 STO Annual Report may be found here: [STO Annual Report](#).




Attention

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FAMILIES, the time has come!

Our 5th annual Fun Run Fundraiser is here 

 Save the date for Friday, October 7, 2022

 This year our students are going on a GRAND LAND ADVENTURE full of new challenges, new prizes, and new FUN!

Look for more information to come on registering your student and how to earn donations.

We are so excited to bring you our GRANDEST event yet!

Cheer Clinic September 6 & 7

If you signed up for the Cheer Clinic, the seniors will come over to IC and pick up the students and walk them to the high school gym. The high school cheerleaders will have activities in the gym for the girls to do until clinic begins. The little cheerleaders will perform at the Sept. 9 football game during half time. The girls need to meet in front of the concession stand with 10 minutes left in the half.

ABC News

Our ABC, after school, program is full. We are currently not taking new applications. If you are interested in ABC please contact Tera Weber at tweber@boscocatholic.org to be added to a waiting list.

Don Bosco Boys Basketball Camp K-8

Please see the registration form below for boys basketball camp open to boys in K through 8th grades. **Please note a change in dates from the form that was previously shared. The camp dates will be October 29, November 5, and November 12.** Any questions regarding the date change should be directed to Coach Goodwin at zgoodwin3397@gmail.com.

Be sure to use the [Quick & Easy Ways to Support Bosco Catholic School System](#). See flyer below.

PTO News

Welcome back Bosco families! The PTO would like to thank all who stopped by our table at Back to Business Day to sign up for volunteer opportunities. If you did not have a chance to sign up, please visit our electronic sign up at <https://flow.page/boscopto> to view available opportunities.

We would also like to extend a formal invitation to all parents to join us this year! Our PTO meets just four times a year and is a great way to get involved with minimal commitment. To kick off the year, we will be gathering Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 6:00pm in IC Room 202, upstairs. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

We are looking forward to a great year!

PTO Parent Representatives

Jessica Steils, Co-Chair, Jess.steils@gmail.com

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Kindra Christensen, 9th-12th,

KindraC@invisionarch.com

Before-School Supervision

The doors for St. Mary Center will be open at 7:10. All preschool students riding the transfer bus need to be dropped off at 7:15, as the transfer bus leaves at 7:20.

If it is after 7:20, students need to be dropped off at the IC doors, not SMC, students will go directly to their classroom. Students arriving after 7:30 must stop in the office before going to his/her classroom. Students not in their classroom by 7:30 will be marked tardy.

Dismissal Information

It is a good idea to write dismissal information in your student's agenda. Example: to ABC, walk home, parent pick up, Bosco bus, Waterloo bus. If you know which bus, please include that information.

Students being picked up at the end of the day in Gilbertville will be picked up in front of IC Church.

Medication Reminder

State law requires that ALL medications (prescription and over the counter) be in their original containers. Any prescriptions sent to school that are not in their original containers cannot be administered. A signed form from the parent with directions on administering the medication is also required. The form may be found at <http://www.boscocatholic.org/vimages/shared/vnews/stories/55dcc0d507de3/Medication%20Permission%20Form.pdf>.



Please send all newsletter articles to icsjnewsletter@boscocatholic.org by 3:00pm on Wednesday, September 7.



Attendance

Parents should call the school office before 7:30am if your child will be absent. If you call before 7:00am, please leave a message on voicemail.

St. Joseph Center (319) 233-5980

Immaculate Conception Center (319) 296-1089

If you have a planned absence, the K-5 and 6-8 Absence Request Forms can be found on our school website.

<https://www.boscocatholic.org/vimages/shared/vnews/stories/55dcc0d507de3/Absence%20Request%20form.pdf>

Bus Information

For kindergarten students riding a Waterloo bus, an adult must be waiting for that student each day. He/she cannot be dropped off if the bus driver does not see that someone is there.

If your student will be getting off at a stop other than home a note must be sent to the office and then it will be given to the bus driver.

Spirit Days

Wednesdays will be "Spirit Days" at IC. Students may wear any kind of crew neck IC/St. Joseph, Don Bosco shirt with uniform pants. The shirt can be specific to a particular sport if desired (for example, wrestling, football, volleyball). It can be long- or short-sleeved, t-shirt or sweatshirt. Collared uniform shirts need not be worn underneath. No hooded sweatshirts.

Nurse's Notes

Vision problems can often go unnoticed in children. They just don't know what they are supposed to be able to see. It is recommended that students have a vision exam in Kindergarten and 3rd grade. The best way to make sure your child does not have a vision problem is to schedule an examination. Eye injuries are also common in this age group. Protect your eyes with appropriate eye wear. Eating a balanced diet also helps eye health. Screen time can lead to eye strain. Be aware of warning signs of eye problems which may include squinting, head tilting, holding objects close to eyes or disinterest in distant objects. Watch for rubbing eyes or sensitivity to light.
Marianne Hickey RN

Water Bottles

Having an easy-to-use bottle that doesn't require unscrewing the cap and screwing it back on for every drink will certainly be appreciated. Spill-proof caps and sport-tops are a great choice. NO glass bottles please.

Who can use Scrip?

Anyone can use Scrip. Parents, students, teachers, administrators, grandparents, neighbors, and businesses. Anyone who is interested in supporting our school system or in reducing their tuition for themselves or for their family members can do so by purchasing Scrip. Ask your parents, brothers, and sisters to purchase Scrip and apply the tuition credit to your account. Anyone who purchases Scrip and does not have any students in school and wants to give their rebate credit to another family can do so by filling out a form to indicate who the credit should go to. You can also split your credit among more than one family.

Catholic Order of Foresters Golf

On Sunday, September 11 all COF youth members can play a free round of golf at Lost Island Golf & Go Carts from 4:30pm to 6:30pm. Adults & friends can golf for \$4.00. The go carts can be ridden for \$7.75 a ride. There are age limits on who can drive and ride. Riders also pay an additional charge to ride. See Donna Delagardelle at the entrance for tickets. Call Donna Delagardelle at 319-827-1609 or 319-239-9945 for questions.

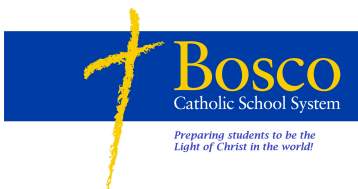
Flag Football Registration Deadline is Tomorrow

Registration for Bosco System Flag Football has begun. This is open to all children in the Bosco and St. A's Systems in grades 1-4. The registration form and waiver were emailed to all parents of 1-4 grade students and must be turned by tomorrow, September 2. Please make sure to return the sign up form and the waiver. If the form is not turned in on time you will not receive a t-shirt as we have a deadline for ordering the t-shirts. The t-shirts can be worn on spirit day. You may contact Candi Yoder at 319-290-3878 with any questions. We are excited for another fun season of flag football!

5th Grade Beginning Band

Mr. Mikita and his high school band members will be entertaining the 5th grade students and testing them for those wanting to be in the beginning band program. Tomorrow afternoon the 5th graders will go to the band room to be informed about the possibilities of being in band and will have their chance to either squawk, squeak, or buzz on instrument mouthpieces. Fun times!!

Parents should have received an information letter from Mr. Mikita explaining the various ways of obtaining instruments for their child and the way to go about renting an instrument from West Music should you choose to do so. Mr. Mikita and the high school band students are very excited about the possibility of having your child sign up for the beginning band program. Please give this some serious consideration. Thank you very much!



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IC 319-296-1089 † SJ 319-233-5980**

Booster Club Merchandise

The Bosco Booster Club is excited to announce the launch of a year round merchandise store. There are lots of great items listed on the website with sizes ranging from baby/youth all the way to adult (tall included)!

The core logos & alumni will stay all year with other designs/items changing a few times during the year!

Please join us at our next Booster Club meeting on Monday, September 12!

Please click the link below or scan QR code

<https://donbosco-catholic.itemorder.com/>



If interested in joining 4-H contact the Extension Office in Waterloo at 319-234-6811 or Patti Nie at 319-231-8800 or pnie1970@gmail.com .

Follow us on Facebook:

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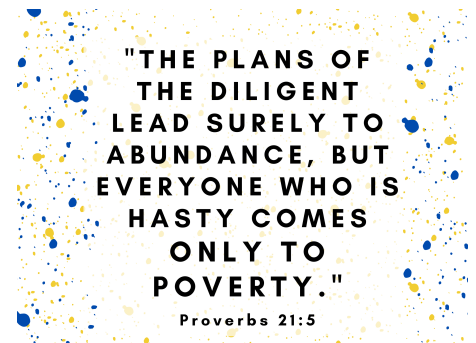


2022-2023 BCSS word of the year:

Intentional

adjective

1: done by intention or design





Don Bosco Youth Volleyball

Don Bosco Volleyball will be hosting a youth volleyball league. Volleyball will be offered to children in 3rd-6th grades. We will have 2 divisions; 3rd-4th grade and 5th-6th grade. Games/practice will be played on Sunday afternoons from 2:00-3:00 pm, we will use both St. Mary's and Don Bosco gyms.. We will play on **September 11th, September 18th, October 2nd, and October 9th**. Current high school players will be the coaches for each team.

Registration is \$40. Checks should be made out to **Don Bosco Volleyball**. The money will be used to purchase equipment for the high school volleyball program.

Please return all forms and money to school by **Thursday, September 8th**, to the attention of Jenni Schares to ensure a t-shirt.

I, the undersigned parent/guardian of _____ a minor, hereby consent to the above named minor to participate in the Don Bosco youth volleyball league. I agree to hold harmless the organizers and managers of Don Bosco youth volleyball for any injuries sustained by the above named minor while participating in this program.

Child's Name: _____

Parents: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Child's Grade: _____

T-Shirt Size(Circle one): Youth S Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M Adult L

Please list any relatives that are also playing and we will try to put them on the same

team: _____

2022 Don Bosco Boys Basketball Camp

Grades K-8 | October 29, November 5, November 12

CAMP TIMES:

Grades K-4 will run from 8:00 am - 9 am

Grades 5-8 will run from 9:15 am - 10:45 am

CAMP FEE:

Grades K-4 - \$35

Grades 5-8 - \$40

TO APPLY: Fill out the Registration Form. Be sure to provide all information. Mail application form and payment in full to: Don Bosco High School, PO Box 106, 405 16th Ave, Gilbertville, IA 50634 or drop off form and payment to the high school office

Make checks payable to Don Bosco Boys Basketball

Entry deadline is October 7- After 10/14 registrations will still be accepted but your son will not be guaranteed a camp T-shirt. Walk ups will also be accepted but will not be guaranteed a camp T- Shirt.

The Camp will be held at Saint Mary's Gym.

If you have an questions or concerns please contact Coach Zack Goodwin at Zgoodwin3397@gmail.com or 319-271-0278

Camp Registration Form

Participant Name: _____ Age: _____

Grade 2022-2023 School Year (circle one) K 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

T-Shirt Size (circle one) YS YM YL S M L XL XXL

Parent's Name _____ Home/Cell Phone _____

Parent Email _____

STATEMENT OF RELEASE: _____ has my permission to participate in the Don Bosco Boys Basketball Camp. I hereby accept full responsibility for his/her behavior and for his/her participation. I waive all claims for damages, losses or injury. I understand the Don Bosco Boys Basketball Camp and the Don Bosco High School cannot be held responsible for lost items or for accidents. All participants are responsible for their own insurance.

Parent Signature _____



Quick & Easy ways to support the Bosco Catholic School System



Casey's Rewards Cash for Classrooms

Cash for Classrooms supports teachers through cash donations to schools for the things they need most. Members can turn their points into Cash for Classroom donations that is directed specifically to the school of their choice.

Office DEPOT OfficeMax

Give Back To Schools

<https://www.officedepot.com/cm/school-supplies/give-back>

Make a purchase of qualifying school supplies, provide your school ID and your school will receive 5% back in credits for FREE supplies

School ID: 70028239

Pop Can Recycling

Collection Site is located on the North end of Don Bosco Catholic High School



Coca Cola Give:

Download the Coke app or sign into <https://us.coca-cola.com/give>

Donate to your local school. Search by zip (50634) and select **IMMAC CONCEPTION-ST JOSEPH**



Hy-Vee Cash 4 students:

Save your Hy-Vee cash register receipts and turn them into school. Hy-Vee donates \$1 for every \$250 in receipts collected!



Amazon Smile: AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices & shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop with AmazonSmile 0.5% of the purchase price on eligible products is donated to the charitable organization of your choice!

HOW MUCH IS MY CODE WORTH?

SEE HOW WE REACHED THESE VALUES

35-PACK	\$0.38	12-PACK	\$0.15	20 OZ	\$0.05
32-PACK	\$0.38	8-PACK	\$0.12	24 OZ	\$0.05
30-PACK	\$0.38	6-PACK	\$0.08	1 LITER	\$0.05
28-PACK	\$0.38	12 OZ	\$0.05	1.25 LITER	\$0.05
24-PACK	\$0.30	12.5 OZ	\$0.05	1.5 LITER	\$0.05
20-PACK	\$0.27	14 OZ	\$0.05	2 LITER	\$0.05
18-PACK	\$0.23	16 OZ	\$0.05	2.5 LITER	\$0.05
15-PACK	\$0.23	0.5 LITER	\$0.05	50 OZ	\$0.05

THE OLD BOX TOPS CLIPS



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store. You can still clip them and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

**All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Coordinator(s) of an eligible, enrolled school(s) will be honored.*

THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS



Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Tops label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt. **Box Tops are still worth 10¢ for your school.** The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.