

# Sacred Heart Catholic School

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## Family Newsletter ~ August 2024

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Where has the summer gone? We are back at it and excited for a great new year! It has been a very busy summer. There has been a lot going on this summer to prepare for this upcoming school year!

Enrollment is up again for the 5th straight year! We have 52 new students, including 24 new PreK students and 18 new High School students. This brings our total enrollment to 330 students in PK3-12th grade. We ask our current families to welcome those 25 new families to Sacred Heart this year. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to the new families. Ask them to sit with you, give them your contact information, and be the happy face that they recognize when they show up to events. The parents want to fit in just as much as their students! We have such wonderful families and we know that you will help us welcome them to the tribe!

We have been very blessed to have some amazing people join the Sacred Heart team over the summer. We have hired: Janie Spies, SHINE Director; Karen Mudd, High School Spanish; Kristi Bludau, 1st grade teacher; Jill Brown, Junior High English Teacher; Alyson Grahmann, Junior High Religion Teacher; Daniel Forney, High School English Teacher; Ann Slatter, Counselor; and Mike Lemonds, Assistant Principal/History Teacher. We are very excited about our new staff members.

This year we will have a new change in our cafeteria. We will no longer participate in the Federal Lunch Program which will allow for a bit more freedom with the food that is served. Our goal is to provide your child with the best possible lunch for the most reasonable price. Prices for this year will be the same as last year. Prices for students in PreK – 4th grade is \$4.50 and \$5.00 for 5th grade - 12th grade. Additionally, we will be accepting processed beef or monetary donations that will allow us to purchase locally inspected beef to be served in the cafeteria. Please call the school if you have questions or would like to donate towards the Cafeteria needs.

Mark your calendars for August 4th for our Back to School Mass at 5:00pm followed by a Frito Pie meal and information session. Students will be allowed to bring their school supplies and deliver them to their classes after Mass and the meal. We are looking forward to an AMAZING school year!

### News to Know.....

#### Faculty Inservice

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, & 7<sup>th</sup>

#### Back To School Mass, Open House & Meet The Teachers –

**Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>** – Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by Home & School Association meeting, meet the teachers, and frito pie meal in the Family Center. Students may bring their school supplies.

#### Freshman Orientation & New HS Student Orientation -

**Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>** - 7:00 p.m. in the Family Center for all incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and new high school students and parents. Contact Mrs. Ann Slatter, counselor, with questions: [ann.slatter@shschool.org](mailto:ann.slatter@shschool.org)

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation & New JH Student Orientation – Monday,

**August 5<sup>th</sup>** - 6:00 p.m. in the school computer lab. All 5<sup>th</sup> grade students and new junior high students, and their parents, are strongly encouraged to attend. Fifth grade teachers will be introduced and will give a brief presentation regarding their subject area. Contact Mrs. Doris Fenner with any questions. [doris.fenner@shschool.org](mailto:doris.fenner@shschool.org)

**SHS Booster Club Meeting** – Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Hall of Fame Room at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The Booster Club supports all boys' and girls' athletics and is a vital component of the continued success of Sacred Heart Catholic School. Everyone is welcome and we highly encourage new families to join us!

**First Day Of Classes** – Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup> - 7:58am. NO SCHOOL MASS; Dismissal will be at regular times: K – 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:15; 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:45

**Meet The Indians And Indianettes Kick-Off Supper** – Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm-8pm in the gym parking lot. Join us as we introduce our athletes and enjoy a hot dog supper. Go Big Blue!

**2025 Yearbook** – The 2025 Phoenix yearbook can be ordered through August 25<sup>th</sup> for \$70.00. After August 25<sup>th</sup>, the cost is \$80.00.

**Annual Indian Open Golf Classic** Saturday, August 31, 2024 at the Hallettsville Municipal Golf Course. ***This event benefits Sacred Heart Catholic School teachers.*** Call Pete Murphy 832-817-8147 or Aaron Chovanetz 281-750-9279 for more information or go to <https://www.facebook.com/sacredhearttexas>. Flyers available at the school and on the school website! [www.shschool.org](http://www.shschool.org)

**School Pictures** – School pictures will be on **Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**. Information will be sent home with your children.

Schedules? Events? Check the School Website  
Need the athletic schedules? Need order forms? What about the school year calendar? Check out the website! [www.shschool.org](http://www.shschool.org)

# Notes From The Counselor's Office

Ann Slatter, SHS Counselor | [ann.slatter@shschool.org](mailto:ann.slatter@shschool.org)

## 2024 - 2025 SAT TESTS:

SAT Test Date	SAT Registration Deadline	SAT Late-Registration Deadline
August 24, 2024	August 9, 2024	August 13, 2024
October 5, 2024	September 20, 2024	September 24, 2024
November 2, 2024	October 18, 2024	October 22, 2024
December 7, 2024	November 22, 2024	November 26, 2024
March 8, 2025	February 21, 2025	February 25, 2025
May 3, 2025	April 18, 2025	April 22, 2025
June 7, 2025	May 23, 2025	May 27, 2025

To register, go to: [www.sat.org/register](http://www.sat.org/register)

## 2024 - 2025 ACT TESTS:

ACT Test Date	ACT Registration Deadline	ACT Late-Registration Deadline
September 14, 2024	August 9, 2024	August 25, 2024
October 26, 2024	September 20, 2024	October 7, 2024
December 14, 2024	November 8, 2024	November 22, 2024
February 8, 2025	January 3, 2025	January 20, 2025
April 5, 2025	February 28, 2025	March 16, 2025
June 14, 2025	May 9, 2025	May 26, 2025
July 12, 2025	June 6, 2025	June 20, 2025

To register, go to: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

## Dual Credit Classes:

Students taking dual credit classes need to check their Victoria College Pirate Portal for messages or updates. Make sure you have taken care of payment for the class(es) and purchased books (if needed).

## Student & Staff August Birthdays

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| 1 Bryce Chovanetz    | 16 Ilyanna Puntos     |
| 2 Mrs. Sally Kolos   | 18 Ainsley Grahmann   |
| 4 Levi Haas          | Everett Kubenka       |
| 8 Landon Chovanetz   | 19 Henry Dreitner     |
| Audrey Dvorak        | James Bludau          |
| Vail Krischke        | 20 Emma Beach         |
| 9 Layne Kostelnik    | Kaylee Whited         |
| Taylor Sobotik       | 21 Kaycee Schindler   |
| 10 Catherine Lemonds | Kutter Hollas         |
| 11 Easton Olivarez   | 22 David Brown        |
| 12 Brennon Ralston   | 23 Katelynn McCoy     |
| 14 Karsyn McCoy      | 27 Baye Shimek        |
| Korbin McCoy         | 28 Ty Lewis           |
| Brody Etzler         | Phoenix Richter-Trejo |
| Karley Kostelnik     | Mrs. Sarah Hawkins    |
| Tryce Migl           | 30 Lynlie Janak       |
| 15 Landry Absher     |                       |
| Amryn Etzler         |                       |

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## 2024/2025 CAFETERIA PRICES

PK-4th grade \$4.50  
5th - 12th grade \$5.00  
Faculty \$6:00  
Guests \$7.00

**2024-2025 School Fees** - According to school policy, for a student to be officially enrolled at Sacred Heart Catholic School, and participate in extra-curricular activities, as well as for liability insurance reasons, the first month's tuition and all school fees must be paid by registration. ***Students will not be allowed to begin football or volleyball practice until these fees have been paid.*** Please call the school at 361-798-4251 if you have any questions.

**Tuition Payment Envelopes** - will be sent home with your oldest child with their school packets at the start of school.

**SHS Traffic Patrol** - We need volunteers to help direct traffic at 7:30 in the morning in front of school on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday and in front of PRE K 3 on Monday Tuesday, & Friday. Please consider volunteering or find someone to alternate with you monthly. Contact Karen Janak 798-6898 or [mkjanak2018@gmail.com](mailto:mkjanak2018@gmail.com)

**Morning Junior High Athletic Practices** - Junior High athletic practice will begin at 7:45 a.m. Monday through Thursday and continue on into first period. Students may arrive at 7:30. This practice time is for all students in 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grades who will participate in athletics. Students in those grades who are not participating in athletics will report to the gym at 7:58 a.m. for first period P.E.. ***On Mass Days, all students in grades 6 - 8 will report to their homeroom at 7:58 a.m.*** If there are any changes to this schedule, we will inform students & parents.

**Safe Environment Information** - New employees or volunteers, go to:

<https://victoriadiocese.org/required-online-applicationbackground-check>

For renewing safe environment training, go to:

<https://victoriadiocese.org/online-renewal-recertification-training>

**SHS BBQ Pork Dinner Fundraiser** - The school is sponsoring a BBQ Pork Dinner on Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Plates-to-go will be served from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. Tickets will be available to purchase in September. The Knights of Columbus will prepare the meal and the students & parents of Sacred Heart Catholic School will sell the meal tickets & serve the meal. ***All profits will benefit the Sacred Heart Catholic School operating fund.***

**STRUDEL BAKE** - October 12<sup>th</sup>; Order forms will be in the Sept. newsletter. Pecans are needed! They can be dropped off at the school.

## Staff Wedding Anniversaries - August 2024

- 4 - Nathan & Jill Etzler (12 years)  
16 - Charles & Kathy Haas (49 years)