



Sacred Heart Catholic School

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The Mission of Sacred Heart Catholic School is to teach Gospel values that will foster the spiritual, moral, academic, social, and physical growth of the students according to Catholic tradition and the spirit of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament.

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GOOD NEWS BULLETIN Summer 2023

NOTICES!

SUMMER HOURS –

In June: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 - 2:00;
In July: please call the school 361-798-4251

HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT,

Sunday, August 6th – Mass at 5:00 p.m. followed by a meal in the Family Center, Open House, meet the teachers, and drop off supplies

1st DAY OF SCHOOL

Wednesday, August 10th

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

The 2022-2023 year was a great one for our school with many recognitions, including the TAPPS overall trophy for our division! Thank you to parents and faculty who work together to make our school so great! We look forward to 2023-2024 being another exceptional school year. We will have an increase in enrollment with more people seeing the value of a faith filled education that focuses on providing the foundational educational needs in a family environment. We welcome some new and very experienced faculty members who will continue to live our mission: to teach Gospel values that will foster the spiritual, moral, academic, social and physical growth of the students according to Catholic tradition. This summer has been very busy with hiring new staff members, starting the SHINE Program, and summer projects. We plan to re-do our front entrance so that it will be handicap accessible. Additionally, we are increasing security by adding another set of doors at the front entrance. The safety of all of our students and staff will continue to be a priority. We will work diligently with local authorities to take every step to keep our students and staff safe while at Sacred Heart Catholic School. We also have some other minor painting and cleaning that will take place this summer. This year we have three employees who are retiring after many years of dedicated service to our school. Candice Hines is retiring after 40 years in education and 17 years at Sacred Heart Catholic School. Candy Rodrigues is retiring after her assistance with before and after school care and as a Pre-K aide. Jennifer Lowery is retiring from the cafeteria services. We will greatly miss these wonderful and dedicated staff members and appreciate their service to Sacred Heart Catholic School. We wish everyone a fun and relaxing summer!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

CLASS OF 2023 TOP GRADUATES Valedictorian- Brett Sestak; Salutatorian – Bailey Haas; Historian – Arianna Henke; With Highest Honors – Bailey Haas, Arianna Henke, Jules Janak, Brett Sestak; With High Honors – Arabella Arellano, Ann Estelle Brown, Melea Henke, Katherine Pavliska, Garrett Ridgway; With Honors – Savanna Filip, Aiden Harvey, Madelyn Hynes, Kathryn Kostelnik, Lilly Machicek, Kobi Valchar

4th NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL – **Grade 5 – High Honor Roll** - Konnor Chance, Amryn Etzler, Lily Janak, Willow Janak, Luke Meinkowsky, Emi Pohl; **Honor Roll** – Max Collins, Bransen Pastucha, Kenley Sevcik, Baye Shimek, Aiden Steffek; **Grade 6 – High Honor Roll:** Bryce Chovanetz, Colsen Dworsky, Paelyn Etzler, Chloe Grahmann, Edward Kubenka, Kayla Kurtz, Kristina Rybak, Tyler Tumis; **Honor Roll:** Kenzie Kurtz; **Grade 7 – High Honor Roll:** Ainsley Grahmann, Ben Meinkowsky; **Honor Roll:** Phillip Broussard, Macie Haas, Isabella Halbrook, Ainsley Noska, Taylor Sobotik, Trent Sevcik; **Grade 8 - High Honor Roll:** Kenzie Chance, Allison Clark, Ethan Do, Maximillian Halbrook, Layne Sevcik; **Honor Roll:** Ysabella Arellano, Easton Brown, Kinley Migl, Lacie Olivarez, Jillian Whited; **Grade 9 – High Honor Roll:** Avery Beach, Ella Demel, Rylan Dworsky, Lanie Haas, Emerson Harvey, Ryan Janak, Timber Janak, Ty Lewis, Mabry Machac, Bransen Miranda; **Honor Roll:** Tucker Boswell, Cameron Cull, Brody Etzler, Kaeden Grahmann, Clare Harper, Bryce Machicek, Ty Noska, Phoenix Richter-Trejo, Hallie Taylor; **Grade 10 - High Honor Roll:** Lance Barton, Ainsley Broucker, Brianna Clark, Karley Kostelnik, Mary Kruschke, Emma Schmidt, Marcus Seger; **Honor Roll** – Sam Bludau, Annika Brooks, Caleb Brooks, Abigail Hill, Thia Ashley Infante, Hudson Kutac, Mallory Mueller, Kaycee Schindler, Heather Wilson; **Grade 11 – High Honor Roll:** Lillieana Bludau, James Cesarz, Klayton Chance, Kalynn Fikac, Kylie Fikac, Joseph Goodwyne, Elena Grahmann, Kayla Immekus, Kathryn Ivey, Alexandra Kraatz, Ava Lackey, Aubrey Luna, Ava Matias, Anneliese Noska, Haley Noska, Natalie Osina, Braxtyn Sitka; **Honor Roll:** Chloe Alex-Hartensteiner, Nicholas Angerstein, Peyton Cull, Addison Ferry, Allyshia Grahmann, Aracely Guzman, Amanda Janak, Maryn Machac, Luke Rieh, Alyssa Zbranek; **Grade 12 – High Honor Roll:** Arabella Arellano, Ann Estelle Brown, Savannah Filip, Bailey Haas, Arianna Henke, Melea Henke, Madelyn Hynes, Jules Janak, Kathryn Kostelnik, Garrett Ridgway, Sarah Slatter, Brett Sestak; **Honor Roll:** Aiden Harvey, Tyler Hawkins, Lilly Machicek, Katherine Pavliska, Clara Schaefer

STATE PSIA RESULTS: 2nd Overall in Elementary Division; Grade 1: Blair Kudelka - 1st Storytelling; Grade 4: Grace Harvey – 10th Listening Skills; Grade 5: Konnor Chance - 5th Number Sense, 10th Mathematics; Lily Janak - 1st Maps, Graphs, and Charts; 4th Dictionary Skills, 4th Listening Skills, 8th Spelling; Emi Pohl - 2nd Ready Writing; 2nd Spelling; 4th Listening Skills; Ethan Tumamao - 4th Ready Writing; Grade 7: Ainsley Grahmann – 1st Ready Writing; 9th Maps, Graphs, & Charts; Grade 8: Isabella Arellano: 2nd Ready Writing; 4th Listening Skills; Kenzie Chance: 5th On-Site Drawing

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

ALL AROUND MALE ATHLETE – Kobi Valchar; ALL AROUND FEMALE ATHLETE – Bailey Haas

JACK CRANDALL FIGHTING HEART AWARD - Jules Janak and Tyler Hawkins

GIRLS STATE TRACK RESULTS: 2A State Runner Up; Katherine Pavliska: Shot Put 2nd; Discus 2nd; Jules Janak: Shot Put 4th; Mallory Mueller: High Jump 2nd; Elena Grahmann: Long Jump 3rd; Triple Jump 3rd; Aleigh Kraatz: Long Jump 4th; Rylan Dworsky: Triple Jump 5th; Ella Demel: 100H 2nd; Arianna Henke: 300H 5th; Katie Kostelnik, Bailey Haas, Aleigh Kraatz, Elena Grahmann: 4x200 Relay 1st; and 4X400 Relay 1st; BOYS STATE TRACK RESULTS: 6th Place Overall; Cade Steffek: 400 Meters 8th; Nicholas Angerstein: 300 Hurdles 7th; High Jump 3rd; Kobi Valchar: Shotput 2nd; Discus 1st; Brady Haas: Long Jump 3rd; Cole Duty: Pole Vault 4th; Cameron Cull, Brady Haas, Andrew Steffek, Cole Duty: 4X100 Relay 8th; 4X200 Relay 4th; Nicholas Angerstein, Brady Haas, Andrew Steffek, Cade Steffek: 4X400 Relay: 8th

SOFTBALL AWARDS: 1st Team All District: Ella Demel, Rylan Dworsky, Karley Kostelnik,, Aracely Guzman, Ava Lackey, Haley Noska, Kat Pavliska; 2nd Team All District: Avery Beach, Kalynn Fikac, Kylie Fikac, Bailey Haas, Madelyn Hynes, Jules Janak, Clara Schaefer; Honorable Mention All District: Madelyn Kurtz, Phoenix Richter-Trejo; 1st Team All State: Ella Demel, Rylan Dworsky, Aracely Guzman, Ava Lackey, Haley Noska, Kat Pavliska; 2nd Team All State: Karley Kostelnik; Academic All State: Kalynn Fikac, Kylie Fikac, Bailey Haas, Ava Lackey, Haley Noska, Jules Janak, Kat Pavliska, Second Team THSCA Academic All State: Bailey Haas; Honorable Mention THSCA Academic All State: Jules Janak, Kat Pavliska; All Tournament Team: Avery Beach, Rylan Dworsky, Aracely Guzman, Haley Noska

BASEBALL AWARDS: 1st Team All District: Brady Haas, Emerson Harvey, Tyler Hawkins, Ty Noska, Josh Terry, Wade Shimek, Kobi Valchar; 2nd Team All District: Cole Bujnoch, Klayton Chance, Cole Duty; 1st Team All State: Tyler Hawkins, Ty Noska, Kobi Valchar; All State Honorable Mention: Emerson Harvey, Wade Shimek, Josh Terry; All Tournament Team: Klayton Chance, Emerson Harvey, Ty Noska, Josh Terry, Kobi Valchar; Academic All State: Klayton Chance, Kobi Valchar

JR. HIGH TENNIS TOURNAMENT: 7/8 Mixed Doubles: Kenzie Chance/Layne Sevcik - 2nd Place; 7/8 Girls Singles: Kenzie Grahmann Consolation Champion; 7/8 Boys Singles: Jayden Schindler - 3rd Place; 5/6 Girls Doubles: Kenzie Kurtz/Paelyn Etzler - Champions; 5/6 Boys Doubles: Colsen Dworsky/Bryce Machicek - Consolation Champion

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS EDUCATION CONTEST WINNERS: Division 1: Art: 1st Ethan Tumamao; 2nd Branson Pastucha; 3rd Baye Shimek; Poetry: 1st Grayson Whited; 2nd Willow Janak; Essay: 1st Emi Pohl; 2nd Konnor Chance; Computer Art: 1st Lily Janak; Division 2: Art – 1st Ainsley Grahmann; 2nd Lacie Olivarez; Poetry: 1st Lacie Olivarez; Essay: 1st Ainsley Grahmann; 2nd Lacie Olivarez; Division 3: Art: 1st Arabella Arellano; 2nd Melea Henke; Poetry: 1st Arabella Arellano; 2nd Haley Noska; 3rd Brody Etzler; Essay: 1st: Haley Noska; 2nd Addison Ferry; 3rd Natalie Osina; Computer Art: 1st Brett Sestak; Photography: 1st Ava Matias; 2nd Melea Henke; STATE WINNERS: Division 2: Art: 2nd Ainsley Grahmann; Division 3: Essay: 2nd Haley Noska; Computer Art: 3rd Brett Sestak; Art: 1st Arabella Arellano; Poetry – 2nd Arabella Arellano

TAPPS STATE ACADEMIC RESULTS: Kayla Immekus - Literary Criticism 3rd; Garrett Ridgeway -Social Studies 6th; Annika Brooks - Poetry 8th

BAND AWARDS – Outstanding Musicians: Beginning Band Emil Pohl; 6th Grade Kristina Rybak, 7th Grade Ben Meinkowsky, 8th Grade Kenzie Chance, 9th Grade Emerson Harvey, 10th Grade Caleb Brooks, 11th Grade Kayla Immekus, 12th Grade Madelyn Hynes; Esprit De Corps Awards: Beginning Band Baye Shime; Jr. High Macie Haas, High School Karley Kostelnik; Leadership Award: Aracely Guzman; Woodwind Awards: Beginning Band Max Collins, Jr. High Philip Broussard, High School Chloe Alex Hartensteiner & Aubrey Luna; Brass Award: Beginning Band Lily Janak, Jr. High Kenzie Kurtz; High School Joseph Goodwyne; Percussion Award: Beginning Band Luke Meinkowsky, Jr. High Weston Trobl, High School Marcus Seger; Tuba Award: Max Halbrook; Most Improved Musician: Beginning Band Grayson Whited; Jr. High Taylor Sobotik, Isabella Halbrook; High School: Hallie Taylor, Aiden Harvey; John Philip Sousa Award: Kobi Valchar

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: 1st – Jordyn Haas, Tara Rother; 2nd – Claire Steffek; 10th – Brianna Clark

STUDENT SERVICE AWARD: Tatum Beach, Phillip Broussard, Jack Chambers, Ainsley Grahmann, Kenzie Grahmann, Kolby Haas, Macie Haas, Arlen Henke, Ben Meinkowsky, Ainsley Noska, Brennon Ralston, Trent Sevcik, Weston Trobl, Kennedy Zappe

FLAG DAY VIDEO CONTEST. Sponsored by Catholic Life Insurance: Ava Matias won 1st place, winning a prize of \$250. She will be honored at the annual Flag Day Celebration on June 14 in San Antonio, TX. She will be featured in their summer magazine.

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MINI-CHEER CAMP - For Pre-K and up; June 26th – 28th; 9:00 to 12:00, Sacred Heart Gym; Early drop off 8:00; Registration forms are available at the school. Cost \$40 (includes t-shirt, medal, megaphone, snacks), plus \$10 for early drop off. Form & payment are due by June 9th to guarantee a t-shirt. Drop off forms at school or mail to: Bonnie Seydler, 401 East 4th St., Hallettsville, Texas 77964; Email to bonnie.seydler@yahoo.com or call 979-733-7980 with any questions.

MINI TWIRLER CAMP – June 12th – June 14th; 9:00 to 12:00, Sacred Heart Gym. For entering Pre-K 3 – 8th grade; Cost \$40. Early drop off 8:00-9:00: \$10; Includes t-shirt; Baton - \$25; Forms available at the school office. Due by May 10th to guarantee a t-shirt and baton for camp. Mail to: Sacred Heart Indian Twirlers; 313 S. Texana St., Hallettsville 77964; Contact Ann Marie Bludau at am.blue86@gmail.com or 361-217-8179

STAFF SERVICE AWARDS – Congratulations to the following staff members who were recognized for their years of service: Virginia Grafe 10 years; Kim Henke 25 years

STAFF RETIRING OR LEAVING – Paul Darilek, Jennifer Lowery, Locadia Rodriguez, Candace Hines

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

2023 - 2024 SAT TESTS: Aug. 27th Oct. 1st *; Nov. 5th, Dec. 3rd *; March 11th, May 6th *, June 3rd *; * Denotes offered at HHS; Deadline to register for Aug. 27th test – July 29th; Deadline to register for Oct. 1st test – Sept. 2nd ; To register, go to: www.sat.org/register For practice tests, go to <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

2023 – 2024 ACT TESTS: July 17th ; Sept.10th *; Oct. 22nd ; Dec. 10th *; Feb. 11th; April 15th *; June 10th; July 15th * Denotes offered at HHS; Deadline to register for July 17th test – June 18th ; Deadline to register for Sept. 10th test – Aug. 5th ; Deadline to register for Oct. 22nd test – Sept. 16th; To register, go to: www.actstudent.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS: High School Orientation for new high school students & parents, Wed., Aug. 2nd , 7:00 p.m., Family Center; **12th Grade**– for students & parents: Monday, Aug. 28th at 7:00 p.m., in the Family Center
11th Grade – for students & parents: Monday, Sept. 11th at 7:00 p.m., in the Family Center
10th Grade– for students & parents: Monday, Sept. 25th at 7:00 p.m., in the Family Center

2024 SENIORS: Some college applications open in July. Check the websites of the colleges that you want to apply to and find out when their applications open. If you submit an application this summer, and need a transcript sent, email Ana Henke.

COUNSELOR Ana Henke ana.henke@shschool.org

MORE NEWS

SCHOOL HANDBOOK- All new families will receive a copy of the handbook. All current parents will receive updated revisions to the handbook.

SACRED HEART ANNUAL FUND – Total to date is \$122,030.00. Thank you to all who donated! The Annual Fund helps support school programs. Mail donations to Sacred Heart Catholic School – Annual Fund; 313 S. Texana St., Hallettsville, Texas 77964 or drop off at the front office.

SUMMER STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING - Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Report to the weight room. Starting Tuesday, May 30th through Thursday, July 20th. They are open to all incoming 7th graders through incoming seniors. There will be no workouts on Memorial Day or July 3rd – July 4th.

INDIAN OPEN GOLF CLASSIC - Saturday, September 2, 2023, Hallettsville Municipal Golf Course; To benefit SHS teachers. Registration forms will be in the August newsletter.

SACRED HEART ALL ALUMNI REUNION – WILL BE HELD IN 2025 If you would like to be involved in planning this reunion, contact David Smolik at davidasmolik@gmail.com or 361-772-5463.

To keep up with what's going on at SHS – check out our website www.shschool.org and Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/sacredhearttexas/>

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 Ty Henke	16 Haley Hartensteiner
3 Emerson Harvey	Maryn Machac
3 Ada Meinkowsky	17 Bear Pasak
3 Clara Schaefer	18 Adyson Trobl
4 Kallie Loudon	21 Trent Sevcik
7 Mrs. Kathy Haas	22 Aurora Steffek
Myles Grahmann	23 Audrina Watson
8 Lily Janak	24 Molly Rainosek
9 Bowen Hawkins	26 Brooklyn Rother
10 Mrs. Candace Hines	27 Lilly Machicek
12 Nicholas Angerstein	28 James Motal
Lana Opela	29 Allison Clark
15 Marcus Seger	30 Khloe Olsovsky

ANNIVERSARIES

1 Rick & Brenda Masek (38 years)
11 Marty & Debi Bludau (40 years)
15 Ronnie & Wanda Orsak (32 years)
30 John & Doris Fenner (39 years)

JULY BIRTHDAYS

5 Chayson Ralston	13 Lillie Pustejovsky
6 Mrs. Shanna Clark	Sarah Slatter
8 Wiona Hermes	14 Jaycie Macek
9 Ainsley Bocker	15 Rylan Dworsky
10 Michael Ben Machac	20 Amanda Janak
11 Sam Bludau	21 Mabry Machac
Mrs. Virginia Grafe	22 Brantley Steffek
Brock Hermes	27 Madelyn Kurtz
Lola Murphy	28 Jordyn Haas
12 Andrew Steffek	Melea Henke
	29 Ryker Lanik

MARATHON RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who donated to the marathon. We appreciate your support!
Total Raised: **\$20,310.00**

MONEY RAISED BY CLASSES: PreK – 3: \$1,323.00; PreK – 4: \$690.00; K: \$530.00; 1st: \$2,499.00; 2nd: \$2,083.00; 3rd: \$7400.00; 4th: \$1,529.00; 5th: \$2,239.00; 6th: \$565.00; 7th: \$1,133.00; 8th: \$1,204.00; 9th: \$1,395.00; 10th: \$1,538.00; 11th: \$1,383.00; 12th: \$1,459.00

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Prize Winners: 1st \$300 – Jordyn & Julie Haas; 2nd \$200 – Lauren, Blake, & Emily Bludau; 3rd \$100 – Avery & Ty Lewis; 4th \$100 Rainosek Gift Certificate – Brantley Steffek; 5th \$75 Wal-Mart Gift Certificate (donated by Lavaca County Farm Bureau – Landry Absher; 6th \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Card donated by Wal-Mart – Audrie Jasek

Have a
Great
Summer!