



ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Lion's Roar: November 1, 2021

Parents,

Bishop Duca's decision to make masks "optional" in schools has certainly been a change for us all, and we respect each family's decision in deciding what is best for them. We want to assure you that we will continue to follow all other safety guidelines currently in place. With each "change", we will let some time lapse to see the effects of that one adjustment before adding the next factor. This process will be slow and deliberate in order to maintain the safety of our SAS Community.

This Wednesday will be our first all school mass in 18 months! We look forward to putting it all together again while being mindful of protocols. Hopefully once we master the procedures, we will be able to have you join us in the next month or two. Please read the flyer below for the needed Thanksgiving Food Bank Items. Please remember the boys are required to wear long pants to mass this Wednesday; sweatpants are not allowed to mass.

Many have asked about volunteering again on campus; know that we are starting in the most needed areas and will gauge the success before adding more. Checking out books from the Library has been limited this year due to not having volunteers to re-shelve them. We have begun to allow a couple of volunteers in this ministry in order to improve circulation for the students. Additionally, the Child Nutrition Program employs 180 food service workers, however, they currently only have 136. With this in mind, we will begin allowing volunteers on the serving line to assist with lunch services. We will slowly open other opportunities for parents to join us on campus as we track the success of the current procedures. We thank you for your understanding and support of our school.

-Erin Candilora

"Praise the Lord, my soul!" Amen

Important Dates-

Wednesday, November 3
Friday, November 5
Sunday, November 7
November 22-26
December 14-17
Tuesday, December 14
Wednesday, December 15
Thursday, December 16
Friday, December 17

All School Mass- Food Bank Collection
5th-8th Grade Pep Rally
Fr. Randy's Birthday
No School- Thanksgiving Holidays
7th/ 8th Grade Exams
7th/ 8th Grade Early Dismissal; 9:35am
7th/8th Grade Early Dismissal; 10:50am
7th/ 8th Grade Early Dismissal; 11:15am
No School for PreK-6

Friday, December 17

7th/ 8th Grade Early Dismissal; 9:35am

THANKSGIVING FOOD BANK COLLECTION- On Wednesday, November 3, we will collect food for the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank. Please see the flyer below with food suggestions for happy Thanksgiving dinners.

SAFETY - It is a blessing to have children walking/riding bicycles to school. We ask you to please slow down around our campus and abide by the speed limits, as we have had some major safety issues and concerns brought to our attention. Mimosa St. is of most concern due to the number of vehicles dropping children at the SACCC, buses using that route, faculty/staff accessing the parking lot, and many “walkers” using this route. Safety is our main priority, and we ask for your cooperation.

CELL PHONE USE IN A SCHOOL ZONE - One of our assigned deputies asked us to remind you of the Louisiana Law that states, *“If you’re driving through a school zone during posted hours, it is against the law to use your cell phone or other mobile device for any reason, including: Making a phone call; Texting; Social networking.*

If you are caught illegally using your cell phone in a school zone, you will be charged with a moving violation. The fine for a first offense is \$175 and any second or subsequent offenses carry a fine of up to \$500.”

TECH TIP: Screen Time vs Offline Time Tips for Kids

- Spending too much time online can hurt your mental health, friendships and learning. Choose the amount of screen time you and your parents think is suitable for a day and stick to it.
- Checking social media often leads to diminished happiness and “social comparison.” Limit your social media time and make it a goal to make live connections with family and friends.
- If you’d rather be online and you feel anxious when you aren’t able to be online, it’s definitely time to talk to a trusted adult.
- A great way to eliminate the stress of constantly being online is to turn off notifications.
- Let’s be good friends and citizens! When you are having a real conversation with someone, resist the urge to look at your phone or device. Even better, turn it off completely! How would you feel if you were talking about the most embarrassing moment of your life to your best friend and they were looking at their phone the whole time?

SWEATPANTS/WATER BOTTLES - Due to the cooler temperatures, it is time to alter the water bottle protocol as it has been done in the past. Students are allowed to continue bringing water bottles to school, but they will not travel from class to class with them. Students will have access to water bottles and water fountains at break, lunch, and recess. Additionally, students are allowed to begin wearing sweatpants this coming Monday, November 1.

LIONS IN ACTION:

Football:

11/7 3rd grade 12:00 @ Holy Family
11/7 5th grade 1:30 @ Holy Family
11/7 8th grade 2:30 @ Holy Family
11/7 4th grade 2:00 @ St. Jude
11/7 6th grade 3:00 @ St. Jude

Swimming: Championship Meet Friday, 11/5 @ Crawfish Aquatics 5:00pm

Girls' Basketball:

Developmental League:

DAY/DATE	SITE	GAME 1 @ 5:45	GAME 2 @ 6:30	GAME 3 @ 7:15
MON 1	SJV	SJV-ALOY(R) (3)	SJV-ALOY(R) (4)	SJV-ALOY(B) (5)
THUR 4	GEO	GEO(W)-ALOY(W) (3)	GEO(W)-THER (4)	GEO(G)-STM (4)
SAT 6	ALOY	ALOY(W)-JUDE(W) (3) 9:00AM	ALOY(R)-GEO(W) (3) 9:45AM	ALOY(L)-GEO(G) (3) 10:30AM
SAT 6	ALOY	XX	ALOY(G)-OLOM(J) (3) 11:15AM	ALOY(B)-OLOM(W) (3) 12:00

Varsity League:

DAY/DATE	SITE	GAME 1 @ 5:45	GAME 2 @ 6:30	GAME 3 @ 7:30
TUE 2	ALOY	ALOY-OLOM (6)	ALOY-STM (7)	ALOY-OLOM (8)

Cross Country- Congratulations to the Cross Country team for a successful season!

Thanksgiving Food Collection

Wednesday, November 3



Suggested items

Mashed Potatoes

Marshmallows

Brown Sugar

Pecans/ Nuts

Cranberries

Stuffing Mix

Canned Ham

Yams

Corn Bread Mix

Macaroni & Cheese

Non-Perishable Dessert

(Pie Filling & Crust, Cake
Mix)

Whole Grain Cereal

Canned Vegetables

Gravy

Please place food in the Food Bank boxes outside of Church by 8:30 am

The mission of St. Aloysius School is to educate the whole child in the Catholic tradition for a life of meaning and purpose.