

# **ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD REPORT**

**September 2019**

Call the order, opening prayer by father Rich.  
Approval of May minutes motion by father Rich and seconded by Becky Costello  
No old business discussed.

## **Teacher Report**

New teacher Debbie Meyer is the art teacher. She worked part time before and is glad to be here. Jeanne said she's doing a great job already.

Savanna Moeller is the new fifth-grade teacher. Her first job and she's from the University Iowa.

Carla Ruff is the new counselor. She's from the Cedar Rapids area and has her masters from Loras college.

Sara Hawkins, 5th through 8th grade band. Everything is up and running with 56 members in the middle school and 41 members in 5th grade band. They're working on a couple songs for the fall performance. They will also be starting On Christmas music.

Sheila Fowler - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher - she took a class on zones of regulation - about getting kids to handle their feelings. Blue zone - sad or bored, yellow zone - overly excited or frustrated, red zone - not knowing how to calm down, and eventually getting everybody to green zone which is calm and focused. She also has a calming corner with stress balls, magnets and beanie babies.

Deb Wilson is the librarian. She presented a book selection for everyone from Teddy Bear club through 8th grade. Middle school comes in every other week so she has pre-selections for them. Book fair starts on fun night and will go through the weekend and the next Tuesday.

## **FACILITATOR OF FAITH COMMUNITY**

September Masses:  
September 18-**Fr. Mensah**  
September 25-**Fr. Sia**  
October 2 -**Fr. Mensah**  
October 9-**Fr. Young**  
October 16-**Fr. Appel**  
October 23-**Fr. Adam**

**Blessing of the Pets-** We will have the blessing of all of the student's pets on **October 4. This** will begin at 2:10 pm out on our playground. Fr. Appel and Fr. Young will cover this event.

**Catch the Spirit-** This year we are going to begin a new character building program at All Saints. This program is a learning process that enables students and adults in our school community to understand, care about and act on core Christian values, helping all of us to form attitudes and actions that help us make a safe, informed and caring school. We want children to grow up to be happy, mature, and successful Christian men and women who can make good choices that reflect their faith. Each month, students from each grade will be recognized for showing attitudes and actions that reflect Catholic teachings.

Each month the students will hear the definition of a virtue, Bible verses, stories in the life of Jesus where He showed virtue, a saint who showed a particular virtue and ways to practice the virtue in everyday life. It is our hope that each student who comes to this school feels safe and feels loved and respected because all of us are practicing these virtues.

Students will be nominated by the teachers each month based on actions and behaviors witnessed in the classroom and on the playground. The students recognized will get an out of uniform day, their picture on the bulletin board, and they will also get an ice cream treat.

**Faith Formation-**We will have two special All Saints Catholic School Masses this school year. On November 23 the 4:00pm Mass will feature many All Saints students and there will be a taco dinner afterwards in the parish center. January 25, 2020 we will have an all school Mass at Holy Family with a spaghetti dinner afterwards in the All Saints cafeteria and gym.

## **Standard #1** **Vision**

**Diocesan Principal Meeting-**Mrs. Von Feldt and Mr. Sowell attended the diocesan principal meeting that was held on September 10 in Iowa City at Regina. Enrollment , Teacher shortages, Vision 2020, ISASP, and our book study, Help for Billy, were discussed.

Enrollment seems to be pretty stable. New students for 1st and 4th grade are coming in tomorrow as well as a 2nd grader. This will put us at 443 total. We are maintaining probably better than a lot of Catholic schools. That is coming from

Jeanne after being at a principal meeting that she and David attended in Iowa city recently.

## **Standard #2**

### **CULTURE AND INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM**

**Preschool**-This began on August 28 with an enrollment of students.

**Mock Trial-There are approximately 16 All Saints Middle School** Students that are participating in this extra-curricular activity. **Jen Olsen**, an attorney and a former Holy Family parent, is the attorney coach for this group with **Cheryl Jones** as the faculty advisor. These students will be actually participating in a trial at the County Courthouse on October 26, and on that day they will be competing against area schools.

**Middle School Parent Back to School Night** –This year we sent out a digital copy and also a hard copy to all Middle School Parents on September 6. Grade information, expectations, curriculum, and athletic eligibility were provided.

**Middle School Interventionist** –Our Middle School Math Interventionist, **Pauline Thomsen**, meets with 3-4 Middle School Students each class period and tutors these Students in Math. She works very closely with our Math teacher, **Isaac Silver**. She is also a mentor to our new teacher **Debby Meyers**.

**Tutoring for Middle School Students**-All of our Middle School Teachers, **Pauline Thomsen, Cheryl Jones, Sandy Thomson, Isaac Silver, Ashley Bennett, Adam Tucker**, and **Maddie Seuter** tutor any Middle School Students that would like extra help with their assignments every morning at 7:15 am or after school until 3:00 pm.

**Title I-** All Saints Title I Program serves 123 students K-8 in reading and or Math. **Isaac Silver, Donna Vinar, Jen Truninger** and **Mary Morrison**, are the teachers in this program which is held 4 days of week from 3:00pm-4:00 pm. Julie Strahl, and Sue Ryder, Title I Paras from Davenport Public Schools, also provide services to our Title I students.

**Making Sense of Mathematics and Teaching Professional Development-April Pforts**, a state of Iowa Mathematics consultant, connected All Saints Catholic School with **Dr. Vicki Oleson** at the Center for

Teaching and Learning Mathematics (CTLM) at the University of Northern Iowa. The CTLM will provide professional development and focus on the content of number sense and operations, and implementation of Number Sense Routines. These sessions will occur on four different dates and our Title II funds are paying for this professional development.

### **Standard #3** **Management**

**Fire Drill-**We had our first fire drill on September 10.

**Tornado Drill-**We will have 2 during the month of September

**Safety Plan-**We have submitted our Safety Plan for All Saints Catholic School to Brian Payne, the Assistant Coordinator for Scott County Emergency Management Agency and are awaiting his feedback. Our emergency site for All Saints Catholic School in case of a disaster has been approved.

AJ Barry will be doing a safety project next month for his Eagle Scout.

Nancy presented the budget and said it has been submitted but still needs to be put in QuickBooks. Jeanne indicated we had a \$25,000 donation geared towards St. Al's students. We also have a \$10,000, \$2000, and \$1000 donation recently.

### **Standard #4** **Collaboration**

**Practicum Students-** We have students from St. Ambrose who will be doing their practicums with our teachers.

**Father Martin Golf – Mrs. Von Feldt** attended the dinner at the KC's on August 22. A number of our families have benefited and continue to benefit from the Father Martin scholarship.

**Home & School-** Our new Home & School Board Members that are chairing a Home&School event are as follows:

**Clair Holliday-**Christmas Bazaar

**Tracy Wren-**Fun Night

**Katie Roemer-**Wreath Sale

**Clair Holliday**-Skating Parties

**Megan Cox**- Faculty and Staff Appreciation Lunches/Staff Snacks

**Gina Bundy**-ASCS Gala

**Heidi Engel** will continue to send weekly notes to the churches for both Home & School and regular school events and announcements. We continue to be so very grateful to **Heidi** for her work with our school.

**Bettendorf Public Library**-Here is the list of students from All Saints Catholic School that completed the Bettendorf Public Library's Summer program. Each reading group asked participants to read toward a specific goal. The students reading 100% are as follows:

**Will Cox**

**Nora Cox**

**Ron Patrick**

**Sofia Van Straten**

**Odin Moore**

**Atticus Moore**

**September 11, Remembrance Ceremony-Arsenal**-Thirty 6<sup>th</sup> graders under the direction of **Mike Barry**, sang the National Anthem at this ceremony. It was a huge honor for our school to be selected and many favorable comments were made about our students.

**Chess Club-Eileen O'Brien** and **Adam Tucker** will be hosting an All Saints Catholic School Chess Club again this year with an attendance of 40 students grades K-8! This club meets every Tuesday from 2:30 -3:45pm.

**Trunk or Treat**-All Saints will have our second "Trunk or Treat" on October 29 which will be coordinated by **Lyndsey Maloney** and **Tracy Wren**. There be more information coming home as the date gets closer.

**Veterans Day**-Plans are being put into place for our Veterans Day Celebration which will be held on November 5. There will be more information as the day gets closer.

**St. Mary's Celebration-Mrs. Von Feldt** attended the St. Mary's Celebration that was held on Sunday, September 8.

## **Standard #5**

### **Ethics**

**Kayla Ruff** had lunch with all of the new students and this and their friendship groups that she has established has helped them make the transition to All Saints much more successful.



1=46	1=48
2=37	2=36
3=48	3=42
4=44	4=52
5=43	5=48
6=46	6=46
7=41	7=46
8=37	8=40
Total 447	Total 460

2016-17	2017-18
<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>
Preschool=51	Preschool=60
K=48	K=49
1=44	1=44
2=48	2=37
3=35	3=46
4=48	4=36
5=50	5=46
6=51	6=53
7=50	7=50
8=49	8=47
Total 474	Total 468

2018-19	2019-20
<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>
Preschool=60	Preschool=54
K=43	K=45
1=41	1=42
2=42	2=41
3=32	3=40
4=47	4=34
5=36	5=46
6=46	6=40
7=48	7=45
8=47	8=52
Total 442	Total=440