



St. Boniface School Parent Newsletter

May 2019

Lafayette Catholic Schools Mission Statement

The Lafayette Catholic Schools, centered in Jesus Christ, educates the whole person in a culture that is:

- Sustained by Gospel witness and service;
- Imbued with a Catholic worldview;
- Supported by a community of faith/
- Distinguished by academic excellence;
- Committed to student success.

St Boniface School

Educates students to be wholesome citizens of this world and fulfill their destiny to become saints in the world to come.



REASONS WHY CATHOLIC EDUCATION STILL MATTERS

AN INCARNATIONAL VIEW OF THE WORLD

Students learn that God is present and active in their lives and in the world. They learn to recognize the “footprints of God” in their daily experiences and in life’s challenges.

IMMERSION IN THE PASCHAL MYSTERY

Our lives are a series of small and not so small dyings and risings. We realize the need for community to help us in our wins and losses in athletics, A’s and F’s in class, laughter and tears in life.

VALUE RELATIONSHIPS AS A REFLECTION OF THE DIVINE

Students learn to experience God’s presence in their lives through relationships with family, friends, and teachers. We challenge each other to become better reflections of the Divine.

DISCIPLINE AS A FAITH EXPECTATION

Catholic schools promote self-discipline through clarity of moral vision based on the Ten Commandments and the Gospel law of love. Students are good because they are expected to act and make choices in keeping with the dignity of being a child of God.

THE CENTRALITY OF ARTS, RITUAL, DRAMA, MUSIC TO THE LIFE OF FAITH.

Through Catholic education, students are exposed to the richness of the religious tradition. Music, art, literature, drama, and ritual are rooted in the rich history of the Church and expressed in life and liturgy.

PERSONAL EXCELLENCE AS A SPIRITUAL GOAL

Excellence is a response to God’s blessing. Academic excellence is not a gospel value. The Sermon on the Mount does not say, “Blessed are you who get all A’s.” Students respond to God’s blessings by helping others and making a difference for good.

BOOKS & BAGLES SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

DAY: Wednesday, May 1, 2019

TIME: 7:00 to 8:15 a.m.

LOCATION: Teachers' Lounge St. Boniface School

Students and parents are invited for breakfast and purchase books for all age levels during the Scholastic Book Fair.

GRANDPARENT / GRANDPERSONS DAY

DAY: Friday, May 3, 2019

TIME: 11:10 Grandparents may pick up grandchild

12:10 First Friday Mass in Church

1:00 Activities Begin

LOCATION: St. Boniface School and Church

Activities are planned for students and Grandparents or Special Person.

CONNOR PRAIRIE GRADE 5 FIELD TRIP

DAY: Tuesday, May 7, 2019

TIME: 8:30 to 2:45

LOCATION: Connor Prairie, Fishers, IN

Fifth grade students finish up their study of early America by visiting this outdoor museum of living history. They see and participate in Native American and colonial crafts and life skills.

FINE ARTS FESTIVAL WE ARE CHILDREN OF GOD

DAY: Wednesday, May 15, 2019

TIME: 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

Celebrate art, music, and dance with song and instruments! This is a culmination of our goal to provide a well-rounded, wholesome educational program with a foundation of our Catholic Faith. **Students MUST be at both performances. They are ESSENTIAL to the program.** There is a special Invitation to Veterans, Senior citizens, and Grandparents to attend the 1:00 p.m. performance. Family and friends may attend both the 1:00 or the 7:00 p.m. program.

BASEBALL IN EDUCATION GRADE 6 FIELD TRIP

DAY: Thursday, May 16, 2019
TIME: 9:00 to 2:15
LOCATION: Victory Field in Indianapolis

Victory field transforms itself into the largest classroom in central Indiana. Through an educational workbook filled with facts and questions, the students learn about English, math, science and history in unique ways.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

DAY: Friday, May 17, 2019
TIME: 8:15 to 11:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Each St. Boniface Classroom

We are hosting "JA in a Day". The volunteer parents have been trained by Junior Achievement to present this sequential curriculum. This program takes place from 8:15 to 11:30 in every classroom with trained volunteers teaching. The homeroom teacher is also present at all times in the classroom.

Grade 4 Our Region
Grade 5 Our Nation
Grade 6 J.A. Global Marketplace

RELIGIOUS ART ENRICHMENT ST. FRANCIS & SAN DAMIANO ICON

DAY: Friday, May 17, 2019
TIME: Gr. 6 12:40-1:20
Gr. 4 1:20 – 2:00
Gr. 5 2:00 – 2:40
LOCATION: St. Boniface Gym

Students learn about the icon in the chapel of San Damiano where St. Francis of Assisi prayed and experienced a life changing vision. The students learn about the people and symbols painted on the San Damiano icon and the meaning of this icon in our Franciscan heritage.

YMCA ACTIVITY DAY CELEBRATE LIBRARY BOOKS AND READING

DAY: Wednesday, May 22, 2019
TIME LEAVE ST. BONIFACE
9:15 to 10:30 grade 4
10:15 to 11:30 grade 5
1:00 to 2:15 grade 6
LOCATION: New YMCA

Based upon reading scores, each student was given a personal goal to achieve a specific number of reading points for Accelerated Reader. These are points the student gains after reading a library book and taking the test. Students are reminded weekly regarding achieving their goal. Besides having their name announced over the P.A. when they achieve certain awards, and receiving personal prizes, all students who have accomplished their personal goal will go to the YMCA for 30 minutes of playing on a huge blow-up obstacle course, and then 30 minutes of Zumba. The students will ride in a school bus. The permission slip will be sent home in the Tuesday folder.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR VOLUNTEERS

DAY: Thursday, May 23, 2019
TIME: 8:15 a.m. School Mass
LOCATION: St. Boniface Church

VIEW GRADE 6 COUNTRY PROJECTS AFTER MASS

DAY: Thursday, May 23, 2019
TIME: 9:30 a.m. after the Volunteer School Mass
LOCATION: St. Boniface School Gym

We are grateful for all the wonderful people who volunteered their time! Join us in thanksgiving at Mass. Then walk to the gym for a treat! You will tour the world through the eyes of our sixth grade students. As a culmination of the social studies curriculum, (gr. 4 Indiana, gr. 5 United States, gr. 6 the World) the sixth grade students publish a newsletter, dress in costume, prepare a poster, and cook ethnic food. Come prepared to appreciate the colorful diversity of our wonderful world!

FAMOUS HISTORICAL PERSONS GRADE 5 STAGE PRESENTATION

DAY: Thursday, May 23, 2019
TIME: 1:30 to 2:45 p.m.
LOCATION: St. Boniface Stage in gym

Fifth grade students complete their study of early United States History by dressing up and presenting in both Power Point and personal presentation famous people in United States history. Parents and family are invited to enjoy the show!

AWARDS FOR ATHLETICS & BAND PRESENTED TO STUDENTS

DAY: Friday, May 24, 2019
TIME: 1:45 to 2:45 p.m.
LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

All students at St. Boniface School who participated in volleyball, cheerleading, or girls and boys basketball will receive awards. Students in band will receive pins. Coaches are invited to speak and present the awards. All students will attend the program. Family members are invited to enjoy this rewarding program.

CLEAN UP AND GAME DAY

DAY: Thursday, May 30, 2019
TIME: Games: 12:30 to 3:00
LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

Please read further for information on this day. There is a lot going on!

GRADE 6 GRADUATION MASS

DAY: Friday, May 31, 2019
TIME: 8:15 A.M.
LOCATION: St. Boniface Church

All School Mass with Parents of sixth graders participate in the celebration. Sixth graders are awarded certificates and a gift from the PTO. A reception for sixth grade students and parents is in the gym after Mass. After the reception the 6th graders put on their casual clothes and enjoy the rest of the day with activities, lunch, and a movie. Official time of student dismissal is 2:00 P.M.



Need a Nanny?

Miss Sarah Schutte is available during the summer for a Nanny Position. If you wish to find out more information, please contact her at: sschutte@lcss.org

Game Day Thursday, May 30, 2019

This day of school is important because it involves two areas of developing responsibility with the students – **cleaning and cooperating!**

Cleaning: In the morning the students are responsible for cleaning their desk, their chair, and their books. They help assemble books in order and prepare the classroom for next school year when a new group settles into that room.

Cooperating: From 12:30 to 2:30 the students will play the games. The students are divided into teams with 9 children on a team. The team has students from all grades and all homerooms. There are 13 games and 13 teams. Each team will play the game for 6 minutes. When the bell rings, the team rotates to the next game. The team accumulates points as they progress from one game to the other.

At 2:30 all games end. The highlight of the day is the “airplane toss” with boys and girls, homerooms and grade levels, adults and children competing. The object is: who can throw their homemade airplane the furthest. It is great fun! Parents are invited to watch all afternoon or come at the end!

Lunch from PTO is served to all students. It consists of a hot dog, fruit, cookie and a drink

Parents are Welcome at 2:30 P.M. The end of the day is great fun and parents may join us by participating in the lively Air Plane Toss.

School Uniforms

During May, the students may wear their uniform shorts to school. The shorts must at least touch the end of the fingertips when the arms are extended to the side. If the shorts are too short, your child will phone home to have other uniform clothes brought to school. A belt should be worn with both the boy’s and the girl’s shorts.

Days for Casual Clothes

Wed., May 22	YMCA
	Must wear tennis shoes & socks
Fri., May 24	N.U.T Day
Tues., May 28	Spirit Award
Thurs., May 30	Game Day
	Must wear tennis shoes & socks!

Appropriate Casual Clothes

- Shorts of proper fingertip length
- Shirt or blouse that has set-in sleeves
- No sleeveless shirts or blouses
- No bare midriffs
- Shirt or blouse must cover the waist
- No inappropriate logos or messages
- No torn holes in pants/slacks

**Dress Appropriately
Or Phone Home!**



SCHOOL BAND PREPARATION

Mr. Don Isaacs, the band director for St. Boniface and St. Lawrence Schools does a wonderful job of working with the students in learning how to play a musical instrument. Anyone who has attended “Breakfast with the Band” and school performances can see and hear the progress of these students. To encourage students to join band the following events will take place:

CENTRAL CATHOLIC PROGRAM BAND AND CHOIR

DAY: Wednesday, May 1, 2019
TIME: 8:20 to 9:10 a.m.
LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

ST. BONIFACE BAND TRY OUTS STUDENTS TRY A VARIETY OF MUSIC INSTRUMENTS FROM QUILAN & FABISH

DAY: Thursday, May 16, 2019
TIME: 10:00 – 11:30
LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

BAND SIGN UP PARENTS SIGN UP THEIR CHILD FOR BAND

DAY: Tuesday, May 21, 2019
TIME: Anytime between 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.
LOCATION: St. Boniface gym

General Information on Band

Students try a variety of instruments to see what works best for their individual lips, teeth, and personal desire.

Parents Sign up their child for Band in the evening. They learn about the rental fees and use of the instrument.

- * Band Instruments are rented from Quinlan & Fabish by the parent for their child.
- * Band fee \$50.00 for St. Boniface / St. Lawrence are paid once a year for supplies.
- * Students have lessons in small groups or individually with Mr. Isaacs during the school day on a rotating basis so they do not miss the same class subject.
- * Students join with the larger band group after school once a week until 4:00 p.m.

The Last Day of School

Friday, May 31, 2019

The last day of school is Friday, May 31. Half days are no longer acceptable by the State of Indiana. All students, including 6th graders will dismiss at 2:00 p.m.

We scheduled a day of learning and activity to make it a memorable day. Included is an egg drop project. Please work with your child to wrap a RAW EGG that will withstand being dropped. Thank you for your help in making this a delightful and educational ending to the 2018 - 2019 school year.

8: 15 - 9:30	All School Mass Transition Ceremony 6 th graders going to 7 th
9:30 - 10:00	Grade 6 Family Reception in the gym
9:30 - 10:00	Grades 4 and 5 Classroom activities
10:00 - 10:30	Grade 6 religious video Grade 5 service project for Veterans Grade 4 physical education game in gym
10:30 - 11:00	Grade 6 service project for Veterans Grade 5 physical education game in gym Grade 4 religious video
11:00 - 11:30	Grade 6 physical education game in gym Grade 5 religious video Grade 4 service project for Veterans
11:30 - 12:00	Regular School Lunch. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students may order a regular school lunch • or students may bring their own lunch.
12:00 - 12:30	Recess
12:30 - 1:45	All school movie in the gym
1:45 - 2:00	Homeroom: Students receive report cards
2:00 p.m.	Dismissal of students

Report Cards, Supply List, Calendar, Newsletter

Report cards will be handed to your child at the end of the school day at 2:00 p.m. on May 31, 2019. Included with the report card will be the list for school supplies, 2019-2020 calendar, and the June St. Boniface School Parent Newsletter.