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St. Joseph Families,

I can not believe we are talking about the end of April already. The flowers are blooming and the teachers are loving the dandelion bouquets they are receiving each day. Also, there is a survey from the Diocese below, please take a few minutes to fill this out. There is a lot of important information found within this bulletin, please take a moment to read carefully. Have a blessed weekend!

### **Calendar Dates:**

April 28-8th Grade Confirmation

May 8- Grandparents Day (Mass @ 10, following Mass will be a lunch)

May 16 - Senior Walk

May 17- Color Run (With a makeup date May 24) 2:00pm

May 20- No School

May 22- Young Five Last Day & Graduation (10:30am)

May 22- Field Day (8:00am-11:30am) (Rain date 5/29)

May 22-8th Grade Graduation (Mass @ 6:30; Reception to follow in the gym)

May 23-8th Grade Last Day

May 29- Principal of the Day- Albin McQueary

June 5- Kindergarten Graduation (6:30-7:30pm)

June 6- Last Day of School (Half Day, Dismiss @ 11:15am)

**Color-Run Forms:** Recently we had a verbiage change in our waiver forms. With this change we do need to have an up to date signed Color-Run form in the office. These will be sent home with every student, and have them returned by Thursday, April 25th. We do apologize for the inconvenience this may cause.

**Tutoring:** I am excited to inform families that we will start up after school tutoring for the remainder of the year. I know it is a difficult time of year, but we want to offer what we can. Some staff members will be available from 2:45-3:15pm to tutor students. With this being a new concept please be patient with us as we work to meet the needs of as many students as possible. If you are interested in this opportunity please email <a href="mailto:m.mowatt@stjosephpewamo.org">m.mowatt@stjosephpewamo.org</a> with your child's name. If we get an overwhelming number of students we will take into consideration teacher recommendation and NWEA MAP scores. Thank you and please do not hesitate to reach out with questions.

**Band:** I would like to get an idea of interest from families in regards to the possible offering of a middle school band class. This is again a new concept and something that I would like your input on. Please fill out the attached form as we work toward the possibility of this offering. https://forms.gle/UpY64Q9j5iqwcapi7

**Finalsite Open Enrollment:** The 2024-2025 school year enrollment has opened. The Tuition Contracts & checklist items must be completed by June 1st, 2024. You can also find the link to this website on the schools website labeled Finalsite.

**Infinite Campus:** Did you know that you can download the Infinite Campus app and be able to check your students assignments, grades, report cards, attendance, messages, etc. Here is the <u>website link</u> & <u>instructions</u> on how to create a log in. If this is something you would like, get with Mrs. Mowatt for an activation key that is needed.

Office of Catholic Schools Survey: Each year the administrators send a survey to parents across our alliance of schools to gather feedback to assist our office and school administrators in future planning efforts. They alternate between a Program Effectiveness and Catholic Identity survey. The deadline for completing the survey is Friday, May 24. Survey link: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PWB722Z">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PWB722Z</a>

**Mother Daughter Banquet:** The St. Joseph Mother/Daughter banquet is May 13, 2024 at 6pm in the Parish Hall. A full dinner and entertainment will be provided including performances from St. Joseph students singing hymns, demonstrating sign language and performing Irish dance. We will also be honoring the girls who made their First Communion this year. Please sign up by texting Carol Simon at 989-640-4584 or the sign up sheet in the back of the church. All are welcome! If you have any further questions you may also contact Emily Simon at 517-285-6239.

<u>Choir Sign-Up:</u> For grades 2nd- 8th grade interested in singing at the 10am, Sunday Mass on May 12th( Which falls on Mother's Day). <u>Please sign up here.</u>

#### **Grant Opportunities**

<u>Kremer Foundation Tuition Grant:</u> Qualification for this grant is, The Maximum Family Income Limit for the 2024-2025 school year for a family of 4 or less is \$60,256 as increased by \$10,324 for each qualified dependent over the number of 4 residing in the household. If you feel as though you qualify please contact Mr. Weber for the appropriate paperwork at <a href="mailto:rweber@stjosephpewamo.org">rweber@stjosephpewamo.org</a> or 989-593-3400.

<u>Bishop Scholarships 2024-2025:</u> The Bishop Scholarship has made some adjustments to their qualifications of acceptance. If you would like to apply or if you have in the past, here are the steps to get started. <u>Parent Instructions</u> & <u>Parent Application Guide</u>.

**Pewamo Block Party:** The Pewamo Block Party is looking for people who would be interested in co-chairing the event. Planning begins soon! If you are interested in helping put on the Block Party, please contact April Piggott at akoenig 09@yahoo.com.

**Lifetouch Yearbooks:** Deadline to order ends in 4 days on April 22,2023. Go to <a href="https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob">https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/Order/SelectJob</a>, the yearbook ID # is 9136624.

# Moms Hot Lunch Menu:

April 24- Hot Ham & Cheese May 1- Pizza
May 8- Pulled Pork
View the full list here.

#### **Upcoming Playground Supervisors:**

Alton Schneider, Casey Schneider- Apr 23, 24, 25, 26 Glenn Schneider, Brent Simon- Apr 29, 30 May 1, 2 Damien Smith, Matt Smith- May 3, 6, 7, 8 Todd Smith (Brandy), Todd Smith (Christine)- May, 9, 10, 13, 14 Wayne Smith, Rich Spaans- May 15, 16, 17, 20 Andrew Spitzley, John Spitzley- May 21, 22, 23, 24 View the full list here.

Have a great weekend and God Bless!

Be Brave In Christ,

Ryan Weber

# **School Mission**

"St. Joseph School, staff, parents, and parish family are committed to teaching quality, Christ-centered Catholic beliefs and values. Our uniqueness is displayed in our staff dedication, parental involvement, and community pride, which make St. Joseph a leader in academic excellence, social integration and appreciation of each individual as a child of God."