



SAINT MARK CATHOLIC SCHOOL

The Bridge

POSITIVE ATTITUDES

COURAGE

PATIENCE

WISDOM

PEACEFUL WAYS

"Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."

January 7, 2022

Parents,

I often use hashtags in our social media to promote our school and give our message consistency. Ones like: #stmarkcatholicsschool, #allarewelcome, #comegrowinfaith, and #ourchoiceisstmarkcatholicsschool . But the one I love to use most is #greatdaytobeALion. What goes into a great day may change from one day to the next. The kindness that we see from our students, the love that our teachers show with a great lesson, parents working with our staff to help their child and others grow academically and spiritually, and the many opportunities we have to grow in our faith in God.

But hashtags are just words after the pound sign unless there is action behind them. The actions that goes into each hashtag is very important to sustain the Christ-like environment that we have at #stmarkcatholicsschool . When we say #allarewelcome you only have to take a look at any classroom to see the diversity in our students and our staff. To come to Eucharistic Adoration, Pray the Rosary as an entire school, attend Mass each week all is a part of the hashtag #comegrowinfaith. Words without actions are just words.

So when I tell you that it is very important to turn your Letter of Intent back in by next Friday, January 14th, these are not just words, there are actions behind these words. The Letter of Intent is one of the most important pieces of paper in your child's life. It will secure your children a spot in their class for the 2022-2023 school year. The Letter of Intent needs to be completed with all of your children's names that will be attending #stmarkcatholicsschool next school year AND your \$100 family registration fee by next Friday, January 14th. If your children are not returning next school year, please also complete the Letter of Intent signifying that they will not be returning. We had a 98% retention rate for this current school year.

We have a waiting list for nearly every class for this current school year and we expect ALL classes to be full again for next year. We have St. Mark Parishioners that have children that are waiting for spots to open, and we have non-parishioners that are also waiting for spots to open. Your Letter of Intent saves your children's spot for next school year. If we do not receive your Letter of Intent and your \$100 family registration fee by next Friday, January 14th, your child's spot will be available to another family that is wanting to come to #stmarkcatholicsschool.

We love every student in our school. Your child makes our school a better place. Please make sure that you complete this important process of returning your Letter of Intent and \$100 family registration fee by next Friday January 14th. We look forward to continuing our partnership with you to help them to #comegrowinfaith and help them to have a #greatdaytobeALion! Have a good weekend. It is great to be back from my Spiritual Sabbatical and to be back home at #stmarkcatholicsschool!

Thanks and God Bless,

Rusty Albertson
Principal
St. Mark Catholic School

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jan 14	Fri		Letters of Intent and \$100/family Registration Fee Due
Jan 14	Fri	1:00	1:00 Dismissal -Teacher Professional Development- No After Care
Jan 17	Mon		NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day

LUNCH MENU

January 10 thru 14

<u>Monday</u>	Daily Choice or Pork Tenderloin Sandwich and Green Beans
<u>Tuesday</u>	Daily Choice or Chicken Teriyaki and Asian Noodles with Mixed Vegetables
<u>Wednesday</u>	Daily Choice or Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Patty and Cinnamon Roll
<u>Thursday</u>	Daily Choice or Pasta w/ Meat Sauce, Roasted Brussel Sprouts and Garlic Toast
<u>Friday</u>	Daily Choice or Pepperoni or Cheese Pizza

Important Enrollment Dates for 2022-2023 School Year



Friday, January 14, 2022

The Letter of Intent and \$100 family registration fee is due back to the school office by Friday, January 14, 2022 by 1:00 pm

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

St. Mark Parishioner Families that do not currently (2021-2022 school year) have children at St. Mark Catholic School, may begin registering students for the 2022-2023 school year to be considered for any available spots.

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Open House- Open Enrollment for any families seeking enrollment for any available classroom spots.

Pre-K Registration is open for any family

CONTINUING FUNDRAISERS



Kroger Community Rewards

Do you shop at Kroger? Sign up your Kroger's Plus Shopper's Card in the Kroger Community Rewards Program and choose "St. Mark Catholic School". Our organization number is: XM409. The web site is:

<https://www.kroger.com/topic/school-programs>



Coca-Cola Rewards Program

Caps and boxes that have a "My Official Coke Rewards Code" on them can be redeemed for money and the money goes back to St. Mark School! Just turn your coke reward products into Mrs. Leszcynski in the school office

Box Tops for Education



- Buy Box Top Products
- Scan your Receipt (use the app to snap a photo of your receipt within 14 days of purchase)



CYO SPORTS

For CYO athletic questions, please contact one of the following on the St. Mark Athletic Commission Board:

- SMAC President ~ Michelle Goss at the following email: gossteach@yahoo.com
- SMAC Athletic Director ~ Frank Litz at the following email: SMAC@stmarkindy.org

Event	Day of Week	Opponent	Time, Location
January 7 – January 14			
4th Boys Basketball	Saturday 1/8	Holy Name	9:00am, St. Mark
Cadet A Boys Basketball	Saturday 1/8	SS Francis & Clare	9:00am, SS Francis & Clare
56B (W) Boys Basketball	Saturday 1/8	Holy Angels	10:00am, St. Mark
56B (B) Boys Basketball	Saturday 1/8	OLG	11:00am, St. Mark
Cadet B Boys Basketball	Sunday 1/9	St. Michael Greenfield	2:00pm, St. Michael Greenfield



Roncalli Class of 2026: Have You Completed Your Application?

The Application for Admission is now available online at <https://apps.roncalli.org/application>. Please contact Director of Admissions Allie Ross at aross@roncalli.org or (317) 787-8277, ext. 243 with any questions.

Once the application is complete and the \$100 registration fee is received, you may continue the registration process. For those who have not been in a South Deanery Catholic grade school for grades seven and eight, those next steps will include scheduling an admissions interview for January 11, 12 or 13 (limited space available). For all others, it will be scheduling your appointment to meet with your student's counselor to create their freshman year schedule. NOTE: If your student is participating in Quest for Excellence on Saturday, February 26, please make your scheduling appointment after 12:30 PM that day, or on a different day, so there are no conflicts. If you have any issues or conflicts that arise, please contact Mary Sheets to change an appointment time at (317) 787-8277, ext. 232.