



THE THURSDAY NEWS

January 10, 2019



Sunday, January 13th: Mandatory Confirmation Meeting, 9:00AM Activity Center

Monday, January 14th: Sports Council Meeting, 6:30PM, Activity Center

Sunday, January 20th: Mandatory Communion Meeting for Parents, 9:00AM Activity Center

Monday, January 21st: *No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day*

Sunday, January 27th: 10:00 Family Mass followed by Open House, 11:00PM—1:30PM, *Catholic Schools Week begins*

FACTS Grant & Aid Applications

Grant & Aid applications for the 2019/2020 school year are now open on FACTS. Everyone wishing to be considered for financial assistance in the 2019/2020 school year will need to complete this Grant & Aid application. You will be required to download your 2018 tax information. No application will be considered complete without the necessary tax documentation.

The Grant & Aid application is required for all financial assistance.

EMPOWER ILLINOIS OPENS JANUARY 15, 2019

We are excited to announce that applications for 2019-2020 tax credit scholarships will open on **Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 7 p.m. CT.** The application will again be a two-step process.

Part one will open on **January 15** and will timestamp applications. While time stamps do matter, a student's place in line does not guarantee an award. All scholarships are subject to the availability of funds at the school of choice. Schools and families will be notified when **part two** of the application is available. Families can complete part two on their family portal and are encouraged to submit their application as soon as possible.

<https://empowerillinois.org/>

Arrival/Dismissal Safety: At dismissal time, you must pick your students up at school. ***Please do NOT tell your student to meet you at neighboring stores at dismissal time - when you pick up your child from school, you need to pick up your child at the school.*** Having students meet parents at the 7-11 or other neighboring stores is a safety concern. Additionally, no student is allowed to walk home unless a walking permission form is on file with the school office. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Gift Card Program: We would like to thank the families who participated in the Gift Card Program. A total of over a \$150.00 was earned in tuition assistance by the families that participated in the Gift Card Program. One family earned over \$75.00. Your Gift Card Program Credit will be added to your FACTS account at the end of January.

Empower Illinois/Big Shoulders: Please read the enclosed letter going home that has important information on applying for the tax credit for the 2019/20 school year.

THANK YOU: A big thank-you goes out to the Wiltse family, for their generous gift of educational materials /puzzles for the entire Preschool classroom. Thank you for your generosity!

Catholic Schools Week: We will kick-off Catholic Schools Week with a Family Mass followed by an Open House on **Sunday, January 27.** Mass will be at 10:00AM in the Chapel; the Open House will run from 11:00AM—1:30PM. All are invited; more details to follow!



We collect BoxTops! Please turn them in to your teacher or the office!

