

IMPORTANT DATES

TUESDAY, 01/14: Big Shoulders Tax Credit Scholarship Opened

WEDNESDAY, 01/15: Empower Illinois Scholarship Opened

THURSDAY, 01/16: 2nd Trim. Progress Reports go home (Gr.1-8)

THURSDAY, 01/16: Mandatory Winter Conferences Sign-Up begins : <https://signup.com/go/opiGAER>

THURSDAY, 01/16: Check folders for club and tuition info!

THURSDAY, 01/16: School Board Meeting, 7:30PM, Activity Center. All are welcome!

SUNDAY, 01/19: 2nd Grade Parent 1st Communion Meeting #2, 9:00AM, Activity Center

MONDAY, 01/20: NO SCHOOL - Dr. MLK Jr Day

TUESDAY, 01/21: Progress Reports (Gr. 1-8) due back signed

THURSDAY, 01/23: Blessing Bag Items Due (**SEE FERD WORD FOR MORE INFO**) Thank you for your generosity for the less fortunate!

SUNDAY, 01/26: Catholic Schools Week kicks off with Family Mass (10:00AM), Open House (11:00-1:00PM), and Re-Registration for the 2020-21 School Year! (**SEE FLIER FOR THE WHOLE WEEK'S EVENTS/CELEBRATIONS IN THIS WEEK'S FOLDER!**)

FRIDAY, 01/31: Family Movie Night sponsored by 8th Grade! (**SEE FLIER TO RESERVE YOU SPOT AND TO ORDER FOOD**)

THURSDAY, 02/06: Winter Conferences 12:00PM -7:00PM; **Dismissal for Students 11:30AM** WE WILL HAVE EXTENDED CARE AVAILABLE FROM 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM - - - STUDENTS SHOULD BRING THEIR LUNCH AND A SNACK!!

FRIDAY, 02/07: NO SCHOOL—Staff Development Day

PROGRESS REPORTS, GRADES 1-8 (PAPER FOR GRADES 1/2, ONLINE FOR GRADES 3-8)

Signed Progress Report forms are due back Tuesday, Jan. 21. Grades 3-8 will find their progress reports in PowerSchool, Paper for Gr. 1-2

2020-21 TUITION RATES / FEBRUARY FREEZE

2020-21 Tuition Rates reflect only a 3% cost-of-living increase with NO increase in fees. Please see reverse side of this newsletter for the tuition breakdown. **WANT TO AVOID THIS INCREASE ALTOGETHER?** Become a part of the **FEBRUARY FREEZE!** Register your child/ren for the 2020-21 school year by Friday, Feb. 28, and receive the **FEBRUARY FREEZE** - continue paying **THIS** year's tuition rates for **NEXT** year! Registration begins at Open House **NEXT** Sunday, January 26! ☺ (*Registration includes signed contract and paid registration fee*)

SUNDAY, JAN. 26TH: A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME INTERACTIVE OPEN HOUSE AFTER FAMILY MASS

Attend 10:00 Family Mass Celebrating our wonderful St. Ferdinand School - then stop by the front office to grab your Passport Through Time. Tour the school and have your passport stamped at each class for a chance to win a St. Ferdinand prize basket that includes a **\$25 off Dennis Uniform Gift Certificate** for visiting each classroom's era! Also ...

BRING A FAMILY TO OPEN HOUSE WITH YOU, HAVE THEM SIGN IN AT THE OFFICE - YOU WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING FOR a \$25 off A 2020-21 REGISTRATION GIFT CERTIFICATE & YOUR CHILD/REN WILL RECEIVE 3 DRESS-DOWN PASSES EACH—GOOD ANY DAY OF THE YEAR!

OPEN HOUSE TOUR GUIDES / REFRESHMENTS

Want to earn **SERVICE HOURS?** Why not volunteer to assist SFS students in giving tours of our amazing school! Tours are scripted! Contact the office to have your name added to the list as a tour guide OR a refreshments assistant for the Open House from 11:00AM-1:00 PM

INTERESTED IN HOSTING A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT?

Are you interested in hosting a foreign exchange student for 2 weeks? 3 students from China (1 each in grades 1, 2, & 7) will be joining us from Jan. 27—Feb. 6. A stipend is offered for host families - call the school office for more details.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

The Class of 2020 and their families are sponsoring a **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT** on Friday, Jan. 31! There will be a movie in the Activity Center for younger kids and their families, and a movie and hang out time for the junior high kids in the gym! Pre-order your spots and snacks by **NEXT** Friday, Jan 24, to be a part of this fun night ending Catholic Schools Week. See flier for details.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30TH: JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT DAY

As part of the Vocation-themed day of Catholic Schools week, Thursday, January 30, will be Junior Achievement Day. Professionals from the business world will lead classrooms in pre-designed units. Do you or someone in your family or circle of friends work in the business world and have interest in leading a class? Please contact the office and we'll put you in touch with the Junior Achievement Foundation. Thank you for considering!

MANDATORY WINTER PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES, GRADES PK—8, THURS. FEB. 6, NOON—7:00PM

Mandatory Parent-Teacher Conferences are on Thursday, February 6, from 12:00PM-7:00PM. **School will dismiss at 11:30 this day, followed by conferences (Extended Care is available. Students must bring lunch and snack).** Sign up at: <https://signup.com/go/opiGAER>

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - JAN 26-31 - WILL BE FILLED WITH WONDERFUL ACTIVITIES FOR YOUR CHILDREN! PLEASE SEE ENCLOSED FLIER FOR COMPLETE DETAILS AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!



St. Ferdinand School 2020-21 Tuition Rates

2020-2021 Tuition Rates & Fees

Here are the New 2020-21 Tuition Rates (3% increase from 19/20 rates)

2020-2021 Tuition Rates							
	Annual Tuition	Yearbook Fee	Student Fees	Fundraising Obligation	Total Tuition + Fees		10 Payments July-May
Preschool, HALF DAY	\$3,785	\$20	\$100	\$300	\$4,205		\$420.50
Preschool, FULL DAY	\$5,408	\$20	\$120	\$300	\$5,848		\$584.80
K-8th Grade							
<u>Parishioner:</u>							
1 Child	\$5,208	\$20	\$180	\$300	\$5,708		\$570.80
2 Children	\$9,508	\$20	\$245	\$300	\$10,073		\$1,007.30
3 Children	\$13,398	\$20	\$305	\$300	\$14,023		\$1,402.30
<u>Non-Parishioner:</u>							
1 Child	\$5,844	\$20	\$180	\$300	\$6,344		\$634.40
2 Children	\$10,860	\$20	\$245	\$300	\$11,425		\$1,142.50
3 Children	\$14,708	\$20	\$305	\$300	\$15,333		\$1,533.30

Looking to avoid the 3% rate increase? Complete Registration BEFORE February 28, 2020, and Lock in the 19-20 Base Tuition Rate:

Register BEFORE February 28, 2020, and receive the 19-20 Tuition Rates							
	Annual Tuition	Yearbook Fee	Student Fees	Fundraising Obligation	Total Tuition + Fees		10 Payments July-May
Preschool, HALF DAY	\$3,675	\$20	\$100	\$300	\$4,095		\$409.50
Preschool, FULL DAY	\$5,250	\$20	\$120	\$300	\$5,690		\$569
K-8th Grade							
<u>Parishioner:</u>							
1 Child	\$5,056	\$20	\$180	\$300	\$5,556		\$555.60
2 Children	\$9,231	\$20	\$245	\$300	\$9,796		\$979.60
3 Children	\$13,008	\$20	\$305	\$300	\$13,633		\$1,363.30
<u>Non-Parishioner:</u>							
1 Child	\$5,674	\$20	\$180	\$300	\$6,174		\$617.40
2 Children	\$10,534	\$20	\$245	\$300	\$11,099		\$1,109.90
3 Children	\$14,280	\$20	\$305	\$300	\$14,905		\$1,490.50

**Tuition Freeze is a limited time only: No exceptions will be made.*

Tuition is paid online through FACTS (separate \$45 FACTS set-up fee)

An annual \$100 Registration Fee per family is due at time of registration

Each family is responsible for 10 hours of Parent Service; a \$250 fee will be assessed to the last tuition payment if this is not completed

Fees for 2nd and/or 8th grade not included above:

Reconciliation & First Communion Fee	\$45 per child
Confirmation Fee	\$110 per child
8th Grade Trip/Graduation Fees	\$220 per child



The Ferd Word

...weekly spotlight on a word to know at St. Ferdinand School by Principal Folino ☺ Jan 16 2020

'Truly I tell you: whatever you do to the least of my people, that you do onto me.'

-Matthew 25:40

BLESSING BAGS

As part of Catholic Schools Week's **Celebrate Our Community Day**, St. Ferdinand Students will assemble 200 **Blessing Bags** (baggies with toiletries, small snacks, and messages of hope) for the needy in the Chicago area. Bags will be given to a local outreach shelter to be distributed to the less fortunate. What a wonderful way to begin the new year AND to put into action the values we are instilling within your children during the days in our Catholic school!

Please have your child bring in the following assigned items by THURS. JANUARY 23 so teachers know what additional supplies may need to be purchased.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and acts of service.



ITEMS NEEDED BY GRADE LEVEL BY THURS., JANUARY 23:

School will get 200 Ziplock Gallon or Quart-Sized Bags ~ 5th-8th will assemble Blessing Bags in the afternoon. Pre-K thru 4th will create drawings and notes to add to the bags in the morning

Pre-K - 10 travel-sized hand lotions per student

KG - 25 individual packages per student of Trail Mix or Cheese-n-Crackers packages
(often come 8 to a box)

1st grade - 15 chapsticks/lip balm per student

2nd grade - 10 mini toothpastes per student

3rd grade - 10 toothbrushes per student

4th grade - 10 granola bars per student

5th grade - 10 mini 4-oz bottles of water per student

6th grade - 12 packs of mini Kleenex packs per student

7th grade - 20 packages of gum or mints per student

8th grade - 10 mini hand sanitizer bottles per student

