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Catholic Schools Week

2024 Newsletter



January 28 to February 3, 2024

We wrapped up January with a fun-filled week of celebrating our Catholic faith! Now, we walk into one of the longest, yet shortest months of the school year! Blessed with an extra day this year, February has many events. Our top three finalists move on to our Regional Spelling Bee competition in Rib Lake on Wednesday, February 7. Our Kids Heart Challenge wraps up on February 13th. Also happening on February 13th is Fat Tuesday, which will include breakfast provided by our 5th through 8th graders. All classrooms will also be celebrating Valentine's Day on February 13th. Ash Wednesday is on February 14. We remember the love that Jesus had for us to go through what He did to save us all. What an amazing act of love. On February 16, our pre-kindergarten through second grade students will be going to a show at the Grand Theater in Wausau. To top off this month, our fifth through eighth grade students will be heading up to Forest Springs for a fun filled day of winter activities! Let's pray there is enough snow!

In the Spirit,
the Staff at St. Anthony

school registration



**NO
SCHOOL
Friday,
February 2nd**

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year will be sent home soon with the oldest. Please share with families that may be considering sending their child (ren) here. Have them check over the information on the WI School Choice to see if they may qualify or if they have any questions, PLEASE have them call the school office! We will gladly answer any questions they may have.



Spelling Bee Results: Our school spelling bee, which included students from grades 5 through 8, was held on Friday, January 18th.

Our top 5 spellers were: Lillian Schreiner (7); Emma Krueger (6); Ceilah Schreiner (6); Zachery den Otter (8); and McCormick Heier (8). These 5 went on to compete against the top 5 spellers from St. John, Edgar, St. Mary, Marathon and St. Joseph, Stratford on Wednesday, January 24th at St. Mary's, Marathon. The top 3 winners from each school will go on to the next level which will be on Wednesday, February 7th at 1:00 pm at the Rib Lake Middle School. Our top 3 winners were: Ceilah Schreiner, McCormick Heier & Emma Krueger. **CONGRATULATIONS!** Wishing you the best at the regional contest!



Wisconsin Tax Deduction for Private School Tuition Expenses form is attached to this newsletter. Please remember that it is only for tuition you paid from January to December 2023. It does not include the computer/supply fee or any scrip tuition credit you received. If you need an actually total amount, please call the school office or email Krissy, and she will let you know your total.

Scrip Program: Families, please remember - any scrip cards you purchase, you get 4% off your tuition!! Any questions about how SCRIP works or any concerns, please contact Joanne or Lil - 257-9274.

On January 17th, Athens Police Chief, Aaron Stencil, visited the Pre-K/Kindergarten classroom to teach the students about gun safety. He used the Eddie Eagle GunSafe program to help the students to remember standard safety procedures. The students were taught that if they encounter a gun in a place they don't expect, they need to: stop!, don't touch, run away, tell a grown-up. We appreciate Chief Stencil for taking the time to teach us this important lesson and helping our children stay safe.

We will be praying the Rosary one more time before Lent on Friday, February 9th at 2:15 in church. During Lent, the Stations of the Cross will be done. Please feel free to join us anytime.



There is excitement in the air as we prepare for our Kids Heart Challenge event. The last time we did Kids Heart Challenge at St. Anthony we raised: \$1,500 and with fun new incentives this year, the students and I are anticipating another successful event!

Please join St. Anthony on February 6 in the fight against heart disease. Help your children go online at: <http://www2.heart.org/goto/stanthony> or download the KHC app to make a pledge to be more heart healthy and earn a free wristband. Our goal is to have 100% of our students take their heart healthy challenge. When your children take their challenge, they will become a Heart Hero! The challenge ends on Friday, February 9th.

Essay Winners Announced

Prior to Catholic Schools Week, each middle school student participated in writing an essay. The theme of the essay was 'Why My Catholic Education is Important to Me.' Essays were judged on content, organization, and grammatical correctness. Winners were divided into two groups: 5th and 6th grade, and 7th and 8th grade. In the 5-6 group, second place went to Emma Krueger, and first place went to Ceilah Schreiner. In the 7-8 group, second place went to Lillian Schreiner, and first place went to Mary Lu Dalbec. These four essays were read during the school Mass on Tuesday, January 30th. There were several outstanding essays from other students as well. Thank you goes to Ms. Roll for reading the essays and judging them. Congratulations to all!

Forensics Competition Coming This Spring

During February and March, middle school students will be preparing for the NERR forensics tournament. As in the past two years, St. Anthony will be hosting this event. St. Mary of Marathon, St. Joseph of Stratford, and St. John of Edgar will be competing along with our students. Forensics is a public speaking event in which students speak in a variety of categories.

For the 2022-23 competition, our students earned nineteen blue (1st place) ribbons out of twenty entries. The tournament will take place on April 17th, 2024. More details will be available as the date gets closer. Good luck, St. Anthony students, as you prepare for this competition.

School Bus Appreciation Week is February 11 - 17. It would be nice for students who ride the bus to show their appreciation in some way. As a school, we are planning our own way of showing our appreciation.

With this in mind, just a reminder what the dangers are of speeding up to pass a bus when its Amber Lights are flashing. Flashing amber lights are a signal that the school bus is preparing to stop to pick up or drop off children, so drivers need to slow down, pay attention and proceed carefully. Drivers are allowed to pass a moving school bus with its flashing amber lights activated, but they must do so cautiously. Remember the school bus is transporting our most precious commodity, and speeding up just to get around the bus before the red lights are turned on is dangerous for us all. Once the bus displays flashing red warning lights, drivers both in front of and behind the bus must stop at least 20 feet from the bus and remain stopped until the red lights are turned off or the bus resumes travel. The driver must stop even if the red stop-sign arm on the side of the bus is not extended.

A citation for illegally passing a school bus costs a minimum of \$326.50 and adds four demerit points on a driver's license. When they are passed illegally, school bus drivers are authorized to report the violator to a law enforcement agency and a citation may be issued.

A WisDOT You Tube video <http://youtu.be/llpXv7ChbKk> explains the amber light regulation and what drivers should do when approaching school buses.

SCHOOL BUS LIGHTS



-  **YELLOW FLASHING LIGHTS**
THE BUS IS PREPARING TO STOP
-  **RED FLASHING LIGHTS AND EXTENDED STOP ARMS**
DRIVERS MUST STOP AND WAIT THE RED LIGHTS TO STOP



Mass
Schedule

FEBRUARY

Tuesday, February 6th - 3 & 4

* Wednesday, February 14th - All School *
Ash Wednesday Mass

Tuesday, February 20th - Staff

Tuesday, February 27th - 7 & 8



Mass
Schedule

MARCH

Tuesday, March 5th - 5 & 6

Tuesday, March 12th - 3 & 4

Tuesday, March 19th - Staff

Tuesday, March 26th - 7 & 8



- 12 - Ellie Borchardt
- 17 - Carissa Osborn
- 19 - Isabel Heier
- 26 - Kolten Cracraft



happy birthday
wishing you
love
happiness
peace

Schedule **PS**

Wisconsin
Department of Revenue

Private School Tuition

File with Wisconsin Form 1 or 1NPR

2023

Name(s) shown on Form 1 or 1NPR	Your social security number
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Part I School(s) Where Dependents Listed in Part II Were Enrolled

1 Name of School	Address of school	Identifying number (FEIN) of school
St. Anthony de Padua Catholic School	309 Mueller St P. O. Box i	39-0808494

Part II Subtraction for Tuition Expenses

2 Information about your qualifying dependent

(a) Dependent's name		(b) Dependent's social security number	(c) Grade (see instructions)	(d) Tuition (see instructions)
First	Last			
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3 Add the amounts in column (d). This is your subtraction for tuition paid. Fill in here and on line 9 of Schedule SB (Form 1) or line 43 of Schedule M (Form 1NPR)				3 .00

Applicable Laws and Rules

This document provides statements or interpretations of the following laws and regulations enacted as of August 1, 2023: sec. 71.05 (6) (b) 49., Wis. Stats.



2023 Schedule PS Instructions

General Instructions

Purpose of Schedule PS

Use Schedule PS to claim the subtraction for tuition paid in 2023 for your dependent child to attend a private school. Attach Schedule PS to your Form 1 or 1NPR.

Who is Eligible to Claim the Subtraction

The subtraction may be claimed by a full-year resident, part-year resident, or nonresident of Wisconsin. You must have paid tuition during the taxable year for your child to attend an eligible institution. The child must have been claimed as a dependent on your Wisconsin income tax return, and the child must have been an "elementary pupil" or a "secondary pupil" during the taxable year.

Do not take a subtraction for amounts paid for private school tuition which were withdrawn from an Edvest or Tomorrow's Scholar college savings account.

Definitions

"Elementary pupil" means an individual who is enrolled in grades kindergarten to 8 at an eligible institution. (Note "Kindergarten" does not include pre-kindergarten, that is, any 3-year old or 4-year old kindergarten.)

"Secondary pupil" means an individual who is enrolled in grades 9 to 12 at an eligible institution.

"Eligible institution" means a private school with an educational program whose primary purpose is to provide private or religious-based education. The program must be privately controlled; provide at least 875 hours of instruction each school year; provide a sequentially progressive curriculum of fundamental instruction in reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies, science, and health; and not be operated or instituted for the purpose of avoiding or circumventing the compulsory school attendance requirements. The pupils in the institution's educational program, in the ordinary course of events, return annually to the homes of their parents or guardians for not less than 2 months of summer vacation, or the institution is licensed as a child welfare agency.

Specific Instructions

Part I

Line 1 Fill in the name, address, and federal employer identification number (FEIN) of the private school(s) where your dependent child/children were enrolled during 2023.

Part II

Line 2 Columns (a) and (b) – Fill in each of your dependent child's first and last name and social security number if you paid private school tuition for that child in 2023.

Grade Column (c) – Enter your child's grade number as of January 1 of the year for which tuition was paid (grades K-12). If your child was an elementary pupil for part of the year and a secondary pupil for the rest of the year, fill in "8 and 9" in column (c). If your child attended a private school for only part of the year, fill in the grade number at the time your child was first enrolled in the private school.

Tuition Column (d) – Enter the amount of tuition paid during the taxable year, but not more than \$4,000 for an elementary pupil (grades K-8) or \$10,000 for a secondary pupil (grades 9-12). If your child was both an elementary pupil and a secondary pupil (grades 8 and 9), fill in the amount you paid for tuition during the taxable year for the period when your child was an elementary pupil (but not more than \$4,000) plus the amount you paid for the period when your child was a secondary pupil. If the total is more than \$10,000, fill in \$10,000.

Tuition includes any amount paid by the claimant for a pupil's tuition to attend an eligible institution and mandatory book fees paid to the institution. Tuition does **not** include amounts paid with a voucher or any amounts paid as a separate charge for other items, such as:







- Room and board
- Supplies
- Cap and gown fees
- Rentals of equipment
- Meals
- Transportation
- Registration fees
- Building fees
- Personal use items (e.g., uniforms, gym clothes, towels)
- Before-school and after-school child care
- Social and extracurricular activities, including musical or athletic activity fees
- High school classes not required for graduation and for which no credits toward graduation are given

Line 3 Add the amounts in column (d). This is your subtraction for private school tuition. Fill in the amount from line 3 of Schedule PS on line 9 of Schedule SB (Form 1) or line 43 of Schedule M (Form 1NPR).



February





Love ONE Another

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1 style="font-size: 4em; margin: 0;">LENT</h1> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;">Pray + Fast + Give</p>						
			7 Regional Spelling Bee Rib Lake—1:00		2 No School In-Service	
4	5	6 Mass: 3/4		8	9 Kids Heart Challenge Ends 	10
11	12	13	14 All School Mass  WEDNESDAY	15	16 PK-2 Grand Theater 10:00	17
18 FIRST SUNDAY IN 	19	20 Mass: Staff	21	22	23 Stations of the Cross PK/K 	24
25 SECOND SUNDAY IN 	26	27 Mass: 7/8	28	29 Forest Springs 5-8		



February



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 No Lunch Bowling & Movie	2 	3
4	5 Salsbury Steak Buttered Noodles Green Beans Buttered Bread	6 Chicken Patty on WG Bun Steamed Peas Potatoes	7 WG Pancakes Sausage Links Strawberry Yogurt Hashbrown	8 Chicken Noodle Soup Crackers Peanut butter & Jelly Sandwiches String Cheese	9 Hot Ham & Cheese on WG Bun Steamed Broccoli Potato Wedges	10
11 	12 Creamy Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Dinner Rolls	13 Tacos or Fajitas Soft Shells or Tortilla Chips Shredded Cheese Refried Beans	14 Fish Sticks w/ tartar sauce French Fries Steamed Broccoli	15 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Corn Garlic Bread	16 Grilled Cheese or Tuna Melt, Crackers Tomato or Cr. Of Mushroom Soup	17 
18	19 Hamburger on WG Bun Cheese Slice Baked Beans	20 WG Pancakes Sausage Link Strawberry Yogurt Hashbrown	21 Chicken Nuggets Plain or Flavored Rice Green Beans	22 Chili WG Crackers String Cheese Fish Crackers	23 Pizza Dippers w/ Sauce Tuna Salad Steamed Peas	24
25	26 Chicken Patty on WG Bun Buttered Noodles Green Beans	27 Tacos --or Fajitas Soft Shells or Tortilla Chips Shredded Cheese Refried Beans	28 Sub Sandwich on WG Bun Cottage Cheese Roasted Potatoes	29 Hot Dog on WG Bun French Fries Corn	<p>Served Daily: Assorted Fresh Fruits & Veggies, Milk(1% Chocolate, 1% White), Menu subject to change without notice. “ This Institution is an Equal Opportunity Provider”</p>	