

Crusader Connection

December 10, 2021

2021-2022 School Calendar

Good afternoon,

I want to share some exciting news. St. Henry Elementary has been awarded a second round of EANS funds!

In the spring of 2021, the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (EANS) grant was made available to us. At that time we were allocated assistance that we've been using for chromebooks for students, teacher devices, new servers for the building, as well as some curriculum materials, both online and physical copies. Additionally, we have job postings for interventionists to work with all of our K-8 students. We're hopeful that those positions will be filled for the remainder of this year and next year.

In the fall of 2021, we learned the federal government was releasing a second round of funding (EANS II) to be distributed through the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to non-public schools. This pool of funds required schools to demonstrate a 20% low income status as determined by free and reduced lunch information. We would not have met that threshold.

However, KDE sent a follow-up email on Friday, November 19, giving another avenue to try and reach the 20% low-income status. After reviewing our addresses in relation to our public school host districts, we exceeded the threshold of 20% making us eligible to apply for the second round of EANS funding! The intent to participate was due by midnight on Monday, November 22 – St. Henry submitted our intent to participate at 3:30 PM on that date.

On Tuesday, November 30, we were notified by KDE that the data submission did qualify for participation in EANS II funding. With that good news in hand, we were alerted that our draft budget, aligning with the guidelines of the grant, had to be submitted by Tuesday, December 7 at 5:00 PM

After consultations with our staff, other principals in the area who qualified for the second round of funding and parents, we were able to submit a draft budget by Tuesday's deadline. KDE must review our proposed budget items and will notify us by mid-January what items have been approved for purchase. From that point, we will work in conjunction with KDE to purchase the items and secure the services on the proposal. Once we get official word on the items approved, we will share those details with our families.

This is an exciting time for St. Henry! If you have any questions about this process or the status of our application, please feel free to contact me.

St. Henry, pray for us!

December After Care Sign Up

COVID19 Update

Since last week we've had 5 more positive Covid results - 3 parents, a staff member and a student.

Because Kenton County remaining in the "red", in accordance with Diocesan guidelines, masks will remain mandatory since Kenton County remains in the "red" according to <u>this</u> KY Covid website.

Continue to remind your children to have their masks when they come to school and remind them to wear them properly.

Thanks for everyone's continued support during all of this. There will be a time when it's behind us, but until then let's do what needs to be done.

New This Week



Our small but mighty Crusader academic team is the Quick Recall Sixth Grade Showcase Champion! The team had to defeat the same team twice in the championship because of double elimination rules (that team beat us earlier in the day) and we won the second match by ONE POINT. Our kids were cool and collected (coaches maybe not so much). The team is coached by Stacie Jankowski, Alison Duff, and Deanna Bills. St. Henry was third place in overall points, which is a huge accomplishment for the number of students we had. Way to go, Crusaders!

Our test takers also had a great day with several students placing in content area tests:

Science

1st Place: Luke Jankowski 3rd place: Noah VonHandorf **Social Studies** 1st Place: Luke Jankowski 4th Place: Elijah Duff 6th Place: Noah VonHandorf **Language Arts** 2nd Place: Mitchell Jump **Arts and Humanities** 6th Place: Dominic Wilke





CruBotics

Our CruBotics teams are back in action: the CruVettes, 7/8 grades (left), and CruBlue 5/6 grades (right). The first week of competition included the programmers achieving coding missions successfully and earning points. Last weekend, the teams did their final competition with presenting their Innovation Project, Robot Design, and Core Values. Thirty teams competed, ten of which will move forward to the state competition in February and our teams are two of them! The CruVettes won 1st place in the Innovation Project and CruBlue took 2nd place. The teams are coached by Vaughn Helmer, Joe McClure, Michael Stich, and Linda Dietz.



Mother/Son Cyclone Event

St. Henry's mother/son event is back! Join us for Marvel Super Hero Night at the Cyclones January 28, 2021. Moms, aunts, grandmas, and more are welcome! Enjoy specials at the concessions and watch the Cyclones take the ice! Click below to purchase your tickets!

Purchase Cyclone Tickets



Holiday Drop and Shop! Support the SHDHS girls volleyball team and have a night out to shop! For more information and to register, visit them <u>online</u> or click the button below to register!

Register for SHDHS Holiday Drop and Shop

From Previous Weeks



Santa's Workshop: Students can Christmas shop for the special people in their lives!

When: December 19-21

Special Preview Day: Sunday, December 19 after the 9:30 AM or 11:30 AM Mass. This is a great time for you to come with your child to purchase items or help them make a plan of attack for their scheduled class visit on December 20 or 21.

Volunteer Elves Needed! Volunteers will be asked to help in two-hour blocks. Elves help students with shopping, as a cashier, or in the North Pole (the activity room). Elves will help students with shopping, be a cashier, or help in the North Pole (Activity Room). *All volunteers must be VIRTUS trained and up-to-date on bulletins.* **Special Request:** We need Christmas wrapping paper and bag donations for the children's gifts this year. If you have any extra paper/bags in the bottom of a Christmas bin that you would like to donate, please bring them to school over the next two weeks. The children may have an opportunity to wrap their purchases in the North Pole during their scheduled class time.

Questions? Contact the head elf, Tracy Patrick, 513-923-0532, or email <u>gradyjamesmom@yahoo.com</u>

Santa's Workshop Sign Up

VIRTUS

VIRTUS: The December bulletin is posted and is due January 4, 2022. **December is an open month for all VIRTUS users who need to catch up on their bulletins.** As a reminder, all volunteers that work with children in our parish and/or school must be VIRTUS trained and up to date on bulletins. If you have questions, please visit <u>virtus.org</u>, email Laura Ryan, our VIRTUS Coordinator, <u>Iryan@sthenynky.com</u>, or call the parish office, 859-727-2035.



Bingo Update

Monday night, we celebrated the feast of St. Nicholas with 95 of our friends at bingo. Tracy Patrick assembled gift bags for each of our players as a token of our appreciation for their support in recognition of St. Nick's Day. Over the course of the night, we sold almost 18,000 pull-tabs and raised \$2,800 in revenue for our school. Special thanks to everyone who made the evening possible including: Joe Berberich, Ryan Bihl, Justin Bowen, Laurie Coots, Judy Crowder, Karen Egan, Allyson Egan, Meghan Franks, Katie Gross, Erin Hammond, Carrie Hooghe, Julie Houle, Dan Hukle, Lauren Lantz, Katie Meyer, Ryan Padgett, Katie Sieg, Jennifer Staley, Brian Staley, Michelle Stamper, Ben Stamper, and Mike Thomas.

Bingo is looking for fun, friendly, smiling people who can sell bingo papers to our patrons! Two volunteers are needed. Training is provided and fairly simply to understand.

Duties include:

- Greet customers and help customers complete bingo order forms (explain the differences between the games and the different papers)
- Ring up paper order & provide totals to customers.
- Collect money and provide change.
- Select and provide the proper bingo papers to customers.
- Answer general questions about game play.

This is a fun position where you get to meet our patrons and leave early, 5:30-7:30 PM; this position allows for some sitting. Some bending and standing is required (to select papers for patrons).

Volunteer for one night out per month and you can help St. Henry community at the same time. Fellowship with community members. Volunteer with a friend and it's a night out. Dinner and drinks are provided. To volunteer, contact Jamie Powers, 859-814-9998,

jamielpowers@gmail.com or text/call Ryan Bihl, 859-760-3325 or click the link below!

Weekly Grade Volunteer Schedule

December 13: 4th Grade December 20: 3rd Grade December 27: 2nd Grade January 3: 1st Grade January 10: Kindergarten January 17: Preschool

Bingo Volunteer Sign up

Boosters

St. Henry 6th Grade Boys Basketball League

Please volunteer to help our Boosters and School with signing up for a shift to work the 6th grade Boys Basketball League

Please click the button below to help out; thank you!

6th Grade Boys Basketball League Volunteers



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Please help St. Henry PTO fund their organization on Tuesday, Dec.14th, 2021

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CAFETERIA

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THOLIC SCH	OOL	
29	30	Chicken Drumstick Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Giazed Carrots Pineapole Tidbits Fresh Fruit Milk	2 Baked Ziti Garlie Breadstick Garden Salad Steamed Broccoli Mandarin Oranges Fresh Fruit Milk	3 French Toast Egg Omelet Salsa Veggie Boat Baked Apples Fresh Fruit Mik	 *Milk offered with all meals* Hummus Grab-n-Go Hummus cup, Tostito chips, chees stick, carots and dip, fruit cup Protein Pack Hardboiled egg, cheese stick, jung crackers, carots and dip, fruit cup PB&J Grab-n-Go PB&J sandwich, cheese stic goldfish, carrots and dip, fruit cup Turkey Coin & Cheese Lubes, Ri- crackers, Cheez-its, carrots and dif fruit cup Turkey OR Ham & Chees Sandwich Turkey OR ham sandwich offered a main entrée alternative. Served wi each day's fruits and vegetables.
Chicken Or Cheese Quesadilla Salsa, Sour Gream Corn, Refried Beans Frozen Sidekick Diced Peaches Milk	7 Cheese Coney OR Hot Dog Roasted Potatoes Onions, Shredded Cheese Carrots & celery with dip Diced Pears Fresh Fruit Milk	FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NO SCHOOL	9 Chicken Nuggets Mac & Cheese Baked Beans Veggie Boat Mandarin Oranges Fresh Fruit Milk	10 Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Oyster Crackers Garden Salad Applesauce Fresh Fruit Milk	
13 Mini Corn Dogs Mac & Cheese Corn Broccoli with dip Frozen Sidekick Diced Peaches Milk	14 Cheeseburger/Hamburger Potato Wedges Baked Beans Diced Pears Fresh Fruit Milk	15 Roast Beef and gravy Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Pineapple Tidhts Fresh Fruit Milk	16 3 or 4 Way Chili Spaghetti Kidney Beans, Onions Shredded Cheese Oyster Crackers Glazed Carrots, Veggie Boat Mandarin Oranges Milk	17 Donato's Cheese Pizza Steamed Broccoli Garden Salad Applesauce Fresh Fruit Milk	
20 Chicken Patty on Bun Baked Beans Waffle Fries Frozen Sidekick Fresh Fruit Milk	21 Cheese OR Pepperoni Pizza Carrots with dip Green Beans Diced Pears Fresh Fruit Milk	²² CHRIS	TMAS BR	REAK	Meat options not offered on Friday Menu subject to change by produ availability. Extras (<u>not</u> included in the free lunch): Milk: 50C Water: \$1.25 Small juice: 50C

Upcoming Events

- December 12: Third Sunday of Advent •
- **December 14:** Grades 6-8 reconciliation (grades 3-5 went on 12/9)
- December 14: Dine to Donate: Donato's, 4-8 PM
- December 17: Spirit wear day
- **December 19:** Fourth Sunday of Advent/Bambinelli Sunday
- December 19: Santa's Workshop Preview Day after 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses
- December 20/21: Santa's Workshop
- December 21: Boosters Meeting
- December 22: Christmas break begins
- December 22: Dine to Donate: El Loco Ocho all day
- December 22-January 4: Christmas Break
- January 4: Dine to Donate: Erlanger Skyline all day
- January 5: School resumes
- January 5 28: Mid year MAP testing
- January 11: Dine to Donate: Pieology
- January 17: MLK Jr. Day, no school
- January 18: Dine to Donate: Culvers night
- January 26: Dine to Donate: El Ocho Loco
- January 28: Spirit wear day
- January 28: Mother / Son Cyclones game
- January 30: Open House, Catholic Schools Week kick off

Our Parishes



St. Barbara

Cristo Rey

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Mission Statement

St. Henry Catholic School is a place where we learn, grow, and become Disciples of Christ by embracing the Gospel message. We will work toward our full potential each day in order to demonstrate our respect for the sacrifices made by the entire St. Henry community to ensure our success. We will remain *connected* to God and others, gain *confidence* in our academic, social, and physical abilities, and *contribute* to the community through service and leadership.

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