



ST. ROSE NEWS

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Academy

A Catholic Expeditionary Learning School

Forming Excellent Catholic Scholars and Faithful Disciples of Jesus

Denver, CO

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Key Dates and Announcements:

Thursday, September 26th

August & September Birthday Parties

Friday, September 27th

NO School - Professional Development Day

Friday, October 4th

Lap-A-Thon money due.
Lap-A-Thon Assembly in the gym @ 12:00.
12:30 Dismissal - EL PD

Tuesday, October 8th

Midterms for the 1st trimester go home

Wednesday, October 9th

Sign & return midterms to teachers

Thursday, October 10th

Individual School Pictures
Out of Uniform – Please remember dress code

Friday, October 11th

No School – PD Day

Monday, October 14th

No School – Columbus Day

Friday, November 1st

All Saints Day

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*Our Goals:
College and more importantly:
Heaven*



Principally Speaking: A Message from Mr. Gallegos

Dear St. Rose of Lima Families,

The school year is off to a strong start and we are so grateful for your partnership in Catholic education. We believe that our families are the cornerstone of building a strong school community, and wanted to thank you for all of the ways that you have supported our student disciples this year. So far we have had a wonderful turnout at Back to School Night, Lap-A-Thon, and Goodies with Grands. We look forward to many more celebrations of our community and our faith in the year to come.

There are many upcoming events at St. Rose of Lima, and our website, the HASA calendar, and this newsletter are great ways to stay connected. Upcoming events include the HASA meeting on September 19th in the library at 7:45, August and September birthday celebrations on September 26th, and a few fundraisers listed under the HASA section of this newsletter. Additionally, our staff has committed to using Class Dojo as a way to stay connected with parents. Please reach out to your teachers if you have any questions about getting set up. This is a great tool to help support our norms and habits in the classroom, and can continue dialogue about how to support our students' academic growth. Please be as proactive as you can, and keep an eye out for midterm grades which will go home on October 8th.

I consider myself truly blessed to be a part of our community and am honored to work with you and our staff to prepare our students for college and heaven. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers and would ask you to do the same.

Humbly in Christ,
Tomas Gallegos
Principal

Morning Procedures and information

In the morning, the school office will be closed from 7:10 to 7:30 am. Students will not be allowed in the building during this time unless a teacher has scheduled to meet them and takes them to their classrooms. On Mondays the office will open @ 7:40am. Any business can be conducted after 7:40.

Morning drop off for Pre-K

We ask that from 7:25 to 7:55 you do not park on the school side (north) side of Dakota, since it is designated for drop off and pick up ONLY and drivers are not to leave their vehicles unattended. **The front of the school is a loading and unloading zone ONLY and for emergency vehicles.** PLEASE be mindful of our neighbor's driveways and do NOT block their access to their property.

Each morning we will have the West playground parking lot gates opened for parents to come into the Panda classroom to sign in the PreK children, and to take care of school business in the building. PLEASE use the west playground parking lot that we have provided for your convenience (to avoid a parking ticket) and the safety of all of the children.

The lot will also be opened in the afternoon for parents to sign out their PreK children. This will be where parents can park to come into the school to conduct school business.

After school pickup for K-8th grades may park outside in front of the school, but drivers are not to leave their vehicles unattended.



Important Dates and Details!

Midterms

Your children will receive their midterms that will go home in an envelope on Tuesday, October 8th in Tuesday folders. Please take out your child's midterm, sign the envelope and return the signed envelope in your child's blue Tuesday folder so the teacher knows that you received the midterm. Remember that the midterm reflects the grades your child has earned the first ½ of this trimester. They have until November 15th at the end of the 1st trimester to bring grades up if need be. If you would like to speak with your child's teacher, please reach out to him/her. In four weeks, November 7th and 8th, you and your children will have an opportunity to meet with their teacher to go over their goals, successes, and future work. You and your student must be present for this conference known as a Student Led Conference (SLC).

Individual school pictures

All children will take their individual pictures on Thursday, October 10th for the yearbook. The children may be out of uniform on this day. Your children should dress up for the pictures. Remember to follow the school dress code in the handbook for out of uniform day. Tennis shoes must be worn for PE; no spaghetti straps, no short skirts or short dresses, no inappropriate clothing.

The order forms will be going home as soon as we receive them. The order forms and payment must accompany the children on the day of pictures. There will be a retake day on November 13th. You can also order pictures online if you prefer. Information with the code for St. Rose school will be on the order form.

There will be another picture day in the Spring that will be class pictures as well as individual pictures with students in uniform.

ALL students are welcome to go to the cafeteria to eat FREE breakfast from 7:30-7:40 daily. Students dropped off between 7:30 and 7:40 must go to the cafeteria where we have staff supervision even if they are not eating breakfast. Students who arrive from 7:40 to 7:55 AM can go straight to the gym through the gym doors. There will be a teacher on duty in the cafeteria to will take the students from the cafeteria to the gym at 7:40. All teachers will be on duty in gym @ 7:50 to take their students to their classrooms for morning prayer and announcements. The gym doors will close @ 7:55. The front door will be opened @ 7:55 AM when the gym door closes for students to get to their classrooms. Tardies begin @ 8am after the bell rings. There is a State Law that allows only so many tardies annually. Excessive tardies or absences may result in a student being held back in their present grade. Please be advised of this law and try your best to get your children to school on time every day.

Lap-A-Thon

Thank you to all of the adults that volunteered and helped out at the Lap-A-Thon. The children had so much fun. Thank you to the families who donated water to make the event successful.

The winners in each class who ran the most laps were:

Koalas –Charlotte Frank = 105 laps
 Pandas – April Correa-Aguilar = 88 laps
 Kindergarten – Eleanor Dennis = 101 laps
 First grade – Carlos Valdez = 89 laps
 Second grade – Louis Lopez-Ruiz = 114 laps
 Third grade – Darrell Roybal = 100 laps
 Fourth grade – Nery Ochoa = 100 laps
 Fifth grade – Abelardo Avitia = 109 laps
 Sixth grade – NeVaeh Roybal = 72 laps
 Seventh grade – Asher Stansel = 86 laps
 Eighth grade – Marahi Diaz & Isabella Trujillo = 80 laps

All children will receive a prize donated by parents at the assembly on October 4th @ 12:00 in the Gym.

Remember all money and tickets are due on October 4, 2019. Tickets for the \$100 can only enter the drawing if the donation money accompanied the tickets. The winner will be drawn at the assembly.

Student Birthdays @ St. Rose

We have a very inclusive and healthy way of celebrating your child's birthday. At the end of each month on the last Thursday or Friday, we ask families to bring treats to eat and attend the monthly celebration with the children who have a birthday on that particular month. For August and September birthdays we will celebrate at the end of September. For June and July birthdays we celebrate the last week in May before summer break. We need parents to help teachers plan these monthly parties and to make sure fruit, vegetables, napkins, plates, plastic products, and drinks are provided. We are asking everyone **NOT to bring cupcakes or chips** to class parties since we encourage healthy treats in our Wellness policy with the USDA Meal program. You can find more information about our Wellness Policy in the handbook.

USDA

In accordance with Federal Civil Rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Civil Rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior credible activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

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HASA

HASA is our Home and School Association. It is in place of PTA.

Thank you to all of the families who participated and enjoyed some family time at Crown Lanes Bowling on September 7th. Thank you to the 7th grade for sponsoring the 1st McDonald's Fundraiser on September 10th.

The next McDonald's fundraiser will be October 8th sponsored by the 6th grade. Join us for the Chipotle fundraiser on Alameda & Wadsworth on October 15th. Please refer to your HASA Calendar that we gave out at Back to School Night. If you did not receive one and would like a calendar, please have your child ask for one in the office to take home.

FACTS update

All tuition, Lap-A-Thon, purchase of shirts and ties, athletics, and Spring Fundraising (candy sales) will be receipted and entered online in your FACTS account. Each month you chose to have your statement emailed, text, or mailed by the postal service. We do not charge late payments but are allowed to charge late fees that you signed on your tuition contracts. Please look over your statement and contact the school office with any questions you may have.

Our Mission:



Responding to Christ's call to go and make disciples of all nations (Mt. 28,18), our mission is to educate and inspire young men and women to love God, seek Truth, pursue excellence, and give witness to the world as excellent Catholic scholars and faithful disciples of Jesus.

Non-discrimination Statement

The Catholic schools of the Archdiocese of Denver, under the jurisdiction of Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila, A.T.L. and at the discretion of the Superintendent, state that all of their Catholic schools admit students of any race, color, national or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. Furthermore, Archdiocesan schools admit disabled students in accord with the policy on Admissions in the Archdiocese of Denver Catholic Schools Administrator's Manual. These schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, age, disability, color, and national or ethnic origin in the administration of their educational policies, employment practices, scholarship and loan programs, athletic or other school-administered programs.

Reporting

- A) Original copies of the two page statements above and methods of publication are to be dated and maintained in the administrative school file on a five (5) year retention schedule.
- B) The signed Acknowledgement form (*Appends F1, Non-Discriminatory Guidelines (Acknowledgement)*) and a copy of all requested materials are due to the Office of Catholic Schools by the date announced each year.
- C) The Archdiocese of Denver Accounting Office, working with information from the Office of Catholic Schools, file the Annual Certification of Racial Nondiscrimination forms with the IRS.
- D) All paperwork associated with the publication of the statements are to be government and Archdiocesan personnel when/if requested.