



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:

Friday, December 18-

End of 2nd Quarter
12:30 Dismissal begins Christmas Vacation

December 21st to January 1st

No School - Christmas Vacation

Monday, January 4-

No School – PD Day

Tuesday, Jan 5th-Friday 8th

Remote Learning

Monday, January 11th

Return to in-person learning

Tuesday, January 12-

Report Cards go home

Monday, January 18-

No School – MLK Holiday

Friday, January 22nd

12:30 Dismissal – PD Day

January 28th & 29th

No School Zoom SLC's from home

Monday, February 15th

No School – President's Day Holiday

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College and more importantly:
Heaven*



Principally Speaking: A Message from Mr. Gallegos

Dear St. Rose of Lima Families,

We consider ourselves extremely blessed to be partners in education with you. Advent is a time of waiting and hope, and both take on a different meaning during the pandemic. We pray that you and your family are safe and well this Christmas, we eagerly await when we are back together, and hope for your help in keeping our community safe. Please see the attached letter for more reflections on this year, announcements about protecting our community, and our plan for resuming classes in January.

Our office will stay busy over the break to prepare for a successful start to the new year. We are including our letter of intent to register and hope to begin registrations by the end of January. As you may have heard, at the end of this academic year St. Francis de Sales will be closing. Our hope in moving our deadline up is to inform those families on our waitlist whether or not we will be able to educate their sons and daughters. Thank you for your prompt responses so that we can let those families on our waitlist know the status of their registration. Please reach out to us if you have any questions.

We have been working diligently to continue increasing our health and safety protocols since there is absolutely no margin for error when it comes to our students' safety. Please see the attached letter for more reflections on this year, announcements about protecting our community, and our plan for resuming classes in January.

Humbly in Christ,

Mr. Gallegos
Principal

Student of the Month

Student of the Month

Here are the students chosen for Student of the Month for November 2020 and what their teachers had to say about their choice:

Koalas – Daniel Pineda has an amazing heart! He is always checking on friends and is eager to give hugs to everyone. Daniel lights up our class with his smile and silly stories. Daniel has shown immense perseverance. He is using craftsmanship to write letters and create beautiful pieces of work. Daniel is a shining light in our crew. Thank you Daniel for brightening all our days. You are one kool koala.

Pandas – Jayce Kibe has grown a lot this year already! He always puts 100% effort into his work and shows so much craftsmanship & accountability. We can always trust that Jayce is going to lead others by example. He has also made a lot of growth in using words to communicate with his friends and work together. We are proud of you!

Kindergarten – Benny Parra has grown so much with his independence in Kindergarten. Even though he may find new learning challenging, he always perseveres and tries his best. He is a great friend to others and shows solidarity by making sure everyone knows what the norms are. Benny loves to learn! He always participates in classroom discussions and makes sure to tell us new information that we don't know yet. Thanks Benny for your kindness and awesome new facts!

First grade – Israel Romo has become a leader for our 1st grade crew. He has been doing an awesome job at following all of our 'Classroom Norms'. He is a great example to other Crew Members of how to be respectful, taking accountability for his actions, persevering during reading centers and math. Israel is kind to all of his crew members and he will always help a friend in need! He comes to school everyday with a great attitude and always tries his best! Israel is athletic, shy, and he has a contagious smile that will light up any room! Keep up the great work, Israel!

Second grade – Robben Correa has been doing an excellent job of persevering and never giving up even when the work is challenging. Robben always comes to school with a positive attitude and is ready to learn. He has also really been working on his craftsmanship and making sure his work is his very best before turning it in. Robben you bring so much joy and laughter to our crew and we are so thankful for that. Keep up the awesome work Robben, we are so proud of you.

Third grade – Aiden Najera is a master of perseverance, keeping a positive attitude and continuing to try no matter what challenges come his way. He is super accountable during distance learning, attending all Zoom calls, completing work independently and on time,

and asking for help when he needs it. Plus, he is a kind friend to everyone in our crew and is always finding small ways to show solidarity and share God's love. Keep up the great work, Aiden!

Fourth grade – Angel Vidrio has done an incredible job of demonstrating accountability this year. He always completes his work and turns it in on time. He is always working to improve his work and makes sure it is high quality work. He completed all of his assignments during distance learning both times we were on it, and attended all of the zooms. He is great at collaborating with others and always makes his crew members feel appreciated. He is a respectful listener, and builds on to others ideas in the classroom. His positivity and joy are contagious within our 4th grade crew. Keep up the great work Angel!

Fifth grade – Levi Sotelo has been an excellent crew member of the fifth grade this year. His accountability has been outstanding. He has been determined to turn in all his work and make sure that he gets all his work done in a timely manner. Even if it means that he has to take his work home to complete, he gets the job done. He has really shown his passion for his work and making sure that he is successful in the fifth grade. Keep up the great work Levi. God Bless!

Sixth grade- Alonso Casas-Garcia has become a role model for the 6th Grade Class! He is a model of accountability and collaboration when it comes to his work and helping his classmates. He does well with making sure that his work is turned in and working with his classmates who ask for his assistance. Despite his quiet demeanor, Alonso shows solidarity with his classmates through his support for them and the respect he shows to the 6th grade homeroom. Not to mention he has given the entire class some good laughs over the course of the school year. Nice job Alonso!

Seventh grade – Tomas Duran has taken control of his learning! He is accountable with all kinds of work and he participates frequently in class. He is thoughtful in his responses and is willing to work with others. The quality of his work has improved and his energy shows. Keep up the good work Tomas!

Eighth grade – Amber Martinez has been a model of accountability in November. She is diligent in completing tasks. If she misses school, she is sure to contact teachers in order to make up any missing assignments. Amber has great things to share in class and in crew. She does not hesitate to share her opinions and have fun with her peers. This makes working with Amber an enjoyable experience. Hooray for Amber!

Congratulations to all of you!

Staying in touch

Thank all of you for your patience and understanding in keeping all of our community members and especially our students safe during this difficult worldwide pandemic. Please be sure to check your email and ClassDojo often. We pray for each of you daily!



Inclement Weather

We plan on taking the children outside a couple of times daily even if it is cold to have them get fresh air. This is the best and for children to take a mask break and distance themselves from their classmates safely!

Please make sure to send your children with coats, gloves, and hats if you have them. Most times if it warms up when the sun comes out for lunch and second recess the children take off the heavier jackets. It is still nice for them to have a heavier jacket when the clouds cover the sun. Snow boots are not necessary as we do not allow the children to step into deep snow or throw snowballs!



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.