

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic School

Monday News

February 25, 2019

*“Do not bury your talents, the gifts that God has given you.
Do not be afraid to dream of great things.”*

~Pope Francis

Message from Principal Angie Krauss:

Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed the weekend. Our family went cross country skiing at Mount Spokane and I was in awe of the beauty of Christ's creation. We are so blessed to live in such a beautiful place.

Several parents have asked me about ways to build resilience and responsibility within their children and things they can do at home to support the growth of their children at school. In grades K-8 we will be sending home an article entitled “From Toddlers to Teens” that gives age appropriate ideas on ways to build and grow these character traits. Each month, I would like to feature a different article on ways we can partner together for the growth and success of your child.

We have finalized our tuition rates for the 2019-2020 school year. Our tuition for K-8 students will increase 4% which totals \$21.91 more a month per student. This tuition increase will help cover a rise in benefits and salaries. Being able to affirm our staff and the wonderful work they do to serve our mission is imperative in ensuring an excellent education for your child. The total tuition cost for the school year is \$6,272.00 and half time Kindergarten is \$3,136.00.

We realize that this is a huge investment in the lives of your children and we believe it is a decision you will never regret. We strive to provide the best Catholic education and customer service of any school in Spokane. Please see below in Mrs. Simmons letter the new rates for the Early Learning Center.

Here is a list of reminders and items that need to be completed during the registration process.

- If you are a practicing Catholic family and plan to apply for Fair Share you will need to complete the FACTS tap grant which is available online <https://nazarethguild.org/tuition-assistance-program/> Please don't hesitate to contact myself or Dawn Manfred if you need assistance with this process.
- Fair share meetings will begin on March 11th through March 25th. You will be contacted the first week of March to set up an appointment time.

- Your financial account must be current to pick up your registration packet on March 11th so please contact me or Dena Hanson if you have questions.
- Your completed registration packet is **due by March 25th**.
- We will begin to fill open spots from our wait list on March 27th. Please be mindful that if your account is not current by this date your spot will not be held.

I hope you have a blessed week!

In Christ's Peace,
Angie Krauss

Message from ELC Administrator Julie Simmons:

Greetings ELC Families:

We are so excited to announce Super Tots will be returning to the ELC for early spring/summer classes this year! Beginning March 13, children in our toddler-preK classrooms and our Montessori rooms will have the opportunity to participate in weekly sessions with Super Tots coaches learning soccer and basketball skills right here at St. Al's! Attached to this week's Monday news bulletin please look for the information you need in order to register your child for our spring class no later than March 11, 2019. As an added bonus, SuperTots has offered to provide our families with an additional discount for our upcoming summer classes if you register for those classes prior to March 29. This is such a great partnership, thank you Super Tots!!!

Our new monthly tuition rates for the 2019-2020 school year will go into effect July 1, 2019 and are as follows:

<u>Infant</u>		<u>Toddler</u>	
5 days	\$1,275.00	5 days	\$1,035.00
3 days	1,095.00	3 days	800.00
2 days	850.00	2 days	650.00
<u>Early Preschool Full Days</u>		<u>Early Preschool Half Days</u>	
5 full days	\$900.00	5 half days	\$582.00
3 full days	730.00	3 half days	435.00
2 full days	500.00	2 half days	300.00
<u>Preschool/Pre-Kindergarten</u>		<u>Preschool/Pre-Kindergarten</u>	
5 full days	\$885.00	5 half days	\$550.00
3 full days	695.00	3 half days	412.00
2 full days	475.00	2 half days	285.00

Registration for our current families opens March 11, 2019. Please remember that all of your accounts must be current in order to pick up your registration packet and to

register for next year. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me or Dena Hanson, our school bookkeeper.

Thank you for your partnership. We love our school family!

Make it a wonderful week!

Blessings,
Julie

ALL-SCHOOL: Mark your Calendars:

- **Mar 5-7: Accreditation**
- **Mar 6: Ash Wednesday Mass-St. Al's Church @ 12:15PM**
- **Mar 8: Diocesan In-Service- No School/ ELC Closed**
- **Mar 11: Registration packets ready to be pick up**
- **Mar 21: Lenten Season Mass**
- **Mar 22: Parent/Teacher Conferences- No School/ELC Open**
- **Mar 25: Registration packets are due by the end of the day**
- **Mar 28: Lenten Reconciliation- 10:00am @ St. Al's Church**
- **April 1-5: Spring Break- No School/ELC Open**
- **April 16: K-8th Class Picture day**
- **April 17: ELC/Mont Class Picture day**
- **April 19: Good Friday-Stations of the Cross**
- **April 22: Easter Monday Holiday- No School/ ELC Closed**
- **April 25: Easter Season Mass**
- **May 3: K-8 Teacher In-Service- 12pm early dismissal**
- **May 3: Living Rosary**
- **May 16: Marian Mass**
- **May 17: 8th grade Hero Presentations**
- **May 27: Memorial Day Holiday- No School/ELC Closed**
- **May 31: Fund Run-More details to come**
- **June 6: 8th grade Graduation**
- **June 12: Field Day and Talent Show**
- **June 13: Last day of School- Early Dismissal**

Important Notes & Reminders:

5th-8th Grade Softball/Baseball: It is time to register, please log onto Family ID <https://www.familyid.com/st-alloysius-gonzaga-school/2019-baseball-and-softball-registration> Baseball starts on Monday, March 4 inside Garco Gym starting at 5:00 p.m. and Softball starts Tuesday, March 5 for inside Garco Gym starting at 3:15 p.m. Coaches are Coach DeLeon for 7/8 Baseball; Coach Mitson for 5/6 baseball; Coach Cronin for 5/6 and 7/8 softball. Program Coordinator is Therese Thompson. Here comes spring!!!!

Mission Advancement - Friendraising & Fundraising:

- **Auction 2019:** We finalized our gross revenue for this year's event, and we are busy calculating expenses so we can give you a solid net revenue dollar amount very soon. We can say THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Numbers are looking good. Stay tuned!

Volunteering:

Volunteer Hours:

Please watch your email for Volunteer Hour Notices to be sent out. Just to clarify:

- ½ Day Kindergarten or Montessori enrollment = 10 volunteer hours per family
- Full time Montessori or KALL-8 enrollment = 20 volunteer hours per family

Volunteer hours are to be completed and submitted no later than **Friday, June 7th**. Any volunteer hours not completed AND submitted by this date will be billed at the rate of \$20 per unfulfilled volunteer hour.

Track it Forward:

If you have not yet logged in to Track it Forward or are in need of your login information, please contact Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org. Track it Forward is the only way to track your volunteer hours.

Box Tops:

Thank you to all of the families that have participated in the Box Tops program this year! Box Tops are such an easy fundraiser for our school! The Box Tops program sends out checks 2 times a year, once in December and once in April.

Our next submission deadline is this Friday, March 1st. Our goal this year is to earn \$500 and we are already at \$365! These sheets hold 50 Box Tops which can be taped or glued and each full sheet earns our school \$5.

Did you know Box Tops count for volunteer hours also? 50 Box Tops = 1 volunteer hour Please record your volunteer hour(s) under the Box Tops category on Track it Forward. Remember to list your family's name and the grade to credit on every bag or sheet turned in. I do not record hours for this so make sure you are keeping track. Please

check out the Box Tops website at btfе.com for coupons, bonus Box Tops, and information about the Box Tops app.

Please contact Aleisha Webb at awebb@dioceseofspokane.org with any questions you may have. Thank you!

You can also download the Box Tops app for coupons and bonus Box Tops offers.

Amazon Smile:

Thank you so much to all of the families that participate in the Amazon Smile Program! This quarters Amazon Smile donation was \$212.08!

If you have not yet connected your Amazon account to our school, please follow the link below.

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-1433780>

Remember, always start at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Thank you for your support!

STAG Pride/Kudos/Prayers:

- Heavenly Father, thank you for strengthening me when the “dailiness” of life, and its various trials, threatens to overwhelm me.
- We pray for our school community and those that are suffering from illness, may God’s healing rain be upon them.

Attachments

- March lunch menu
- Parish Bulletin
- Toddlers to Teens article