

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these" (Matthew 19:14).

Hello St. Andrew Catholic Community,



Please join us for National Catholic Schools Week, our annual celebration of what makes education at St. Andrew Catholic School outstanding. Starting with our St. Andrew Catholic Community Sunday Mass on January 28, we have a whole week of activities planned to show what our students are accomplishing and to celebrate the community we have built to educate tomorrow's citizens and church leaders.

The theme of our celebration is "United in Faith and Community." The theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples and enriched citizens in our communities, educators are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed.

The theme also focuses on key elements of Catholic education: faith development, academic excellence and dedication to service. These elements set Catholic schools apart from other educational options. They are why families make sacrifices to provide their children with a Catholic education.

I hope you will visit our St. Andrew Catholic School campus during National Catholic name of school Schools Week to enjoy the students' and learn displays and concerts about their faith development and community service projects. Please bring your friends and neighbors, particularly those who may be considering Catholic education for their children.

I am grateful every day for the teachers, staff, board members, parents and volunteers who make our school a success. National Catholic Schools Week is a good time for all of us to thank them for their dedication and service. Devotedly yours in Christ

Blessings, Mrs. Gipson

St. Andrew Catholic School

Sunday, January 28, 2024-Saturday, February 3, 2024

Sunday, January 28, 2024

- Catholic Schools week Open House Mass at 11:00 a.m. in our St. Andrew Catholic Church with parent meeting immediately following.
- Open House from 12:15 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

Monday, January 29, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- Step practice from 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in room 14. Students not picked up by 4:35 p.m. will be sent to an extended care for a fee.
- Middle School girls' volleyball practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- SACS Breast Cancer T shirt Tuesday
- Ensemble Elite Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Church. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee.
- Boys middle school open gym from 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium
- Middle School Girls JV Volleyball game at St. Margaret Mary at 6:00 p.m. vs. St. Margaret Mary
- Middle School Girls V Volleyball game at St. Margaret Mary at 7:00 p.m. vs. St. Margaret Mary

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- Nifty Fifty Papa Johns forms due.
- School Mass at 9:00 a.m.with Bishop Noonan and Office of Catholic School staff in St. Andrew Catholic Church
- Class Picture Day
- Cheer practice from 2:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall * Gymnasium. Please be prepared with full practice attire & cheer shoes. Any student not picked up by 4:50 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a charge.
- Middle School Girls JV Volleyball game in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall * Gymnasium at 5:00 p.m. vs. St. Charles
- Middle School Girls V Volleyball game at St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium at 6:00 p.m. vs. St. Charles

Thursday, February 1, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- SACS Throwback T-shirt Thursday
- Ensemble Elite Practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic School music room. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee
- Middle School Girls JV Volleyball game at St. Mary Magdalen at 6:00 p.m. vs. St. Mary Magdalen
- Middle School Girls V Volleyball game at St Mary Magdalen at 7:00 p.m. vs. St. Mary Magdalene

Friday, February 2, 2024

Front Office Open from 6:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

- Prayer with the Principal at 2:45 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Church
- K-5th grade track practice from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal (formally handbell choir from 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic School music room. Any student not picked up by 5:05 p.m. will be sent to extended care for a fee.

Saturday, February 3, 2024

- Grade School CYS Track meet at Bishop Moore Catholic School at 9:00 a.m.
- Middle School Track & Field Showcase at Bishop Moore Catholic High School at 2:00 p.m.

Have you checked out Our Digital Resources?

As always, we encourage our school community to go green by using our digital resources especially the school website.

St. Andrew Catholic School is also on Facebook and Twitter so please like our Facebook page and follow us on Twitter at #sacsorlando to learn about what is going on at school.

Please make sure that your email addresses are up to date with the school office.



can be found on our school website at https://standrewcatholicschool.org/calendar/.

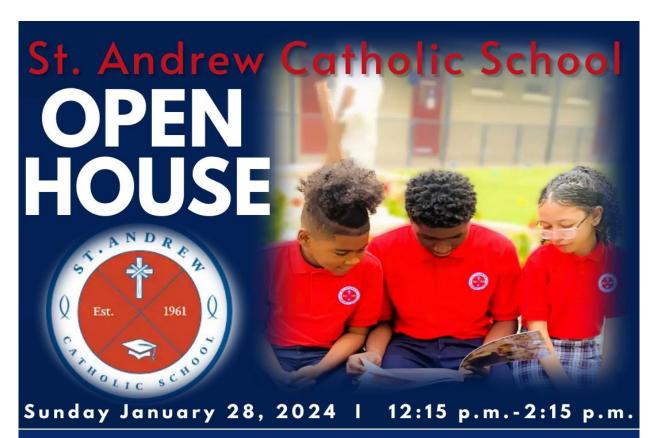
Please mark your calendars now for important events.

ALUMNI

Do you have any news on an alumni that you would like us to know?

If so, please send it to Mrs. Johnson via email at ejohnson@standrewcatholicschool.org so we can put it in the newscast and let everyone at St. Andrew know what the SPARTANS out in the world are doing.

We would like to thank the Catholic Negro American Mission Board for providing our school with grant. You can find more about this organization at www.blackandindianmission.org



Feel free to bring your family and friends while you tour our school and learn about our financial assistance opportunities.

We look forward to welcoming you!
For more information,
please contact (407)295-4230
877 N. Hastings Street. Orlando, FL 32808

standrewcatholicschool.org



Sunday, January 28th **Open House Celebrating Your Parish** 11:00 a.m. **Open House Mass** Students should wear their Mass school uniform. Any student attending and wearing their Mass uniform will receive a free dress day pass from me at the end of Mass. 12:15 pm-2:15 p.m. Open House beginning with a meeting in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium at 12:15 p.m. All families that participate in the Open House Scavenger Hunt will go into a drawing for one free registration for the 2024-2025 school year. Scavenger Hunt Forms will be available at 12:15 p.m. in St. Andrew Catholic Parish Hall & Gymnasium. Monday, January 29th **Celebrating Our Nation** Celebration of Students can dress in colors or attire from their country. Guest Speakers-Talk about where they came from or read a book in their native language or talk about their job. ONE CAMPUS. ONE COMMUNITY. ONE WORLD. Tuesday, January 30th Celebrating our students Celebrating our Students Students can wear their favorite outfit Ice cream social **Student Dance off** Wednesday, January 31st **Celebrating Vocations** School wide Mass with the Bishop at 9:00 a.m.









Friday, February 2nd Celebrating our School Community

Wear school colors Field Day from 8:30 am-12:10 p.m. 8th Grade vs. Parents Volleyball Game at 1:15 pm



PreK4-1st Grade Newsletter

Pre-K4

CHARACTER EDUCATION: Cooperation, Intentionality

LITERACY: Oral Language, Phonological

Awareness

ALPHABET KNOWLEDGE: Mm, Pp, Ff.
MATH: Identifying and Labeling Sets
RELIGION: Holy Mary- Learn about GOD
MADE BIG THINGS AND LITTLE THINGS

Kindergarten Pathways to Learning

Religion: Church is Good

ELA: Make Predications. Story elements, plot: problem and solution, short/long e and

sight words

Math: Subtraction and Addition Facts 1 - 10 Social Studies:: Engineering Needs

Science: Weather

First Grade

ELA: VCe pattern, long e,i,o; Fluency, Writing

sentences, Sight words, Poetry

Math: Use of 120 Number Chart to add and

subtract, Skip counting

Religion: Jesus Shows us He is Good

Social Studies: Facts about Earth

Science: Light

Important Dates

Jan. 28 Catholic Schools Week Mass, 11 AM Open House , 12:30 PM –2:30 PM

Jan. 29 - Feb. 2 Catholic Schools Week

Jan. 31 Papa John's Nifty Fifty
Fundraiser ends

"If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." - <u>Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-3</u>



2nd, 3rd and 4th Grade News

Important Dates

- January 28th-February 2nd- Catholic
 Schools Week
- January 31st- Class Pictures

2nd Grade

ELA: /r/ controlled vowels, reading biographies, informational paragraph, grammar

Math: Two-digit subtraction Social Studies: Presidents

and patriots

Science: Germination Religion: Learn about the

commandments

3rd Grade

ELA: Identify benefits of dogs interacting with people

Math: Division concepts

Social Studies: Discuss the Constitution and its purpose

Science: Discuss objects in motion

Religion: Discover how Jesus taught us about the Kingdom of

God



4th Grade

ELA: review structure of opinion writing

Math: Introduction to factors, multiples, and fractions

Social studies: learning about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

Religion: Learning about God's Laws

Spartan Press

Mathematics



English Language Arts



Social Studies



5th-8th: Students will review 5th grade: Students will reading and writing skills for add, subtract, multiply Terra Nova (focus on opinion

writing).

6th grade: Students will convert within measurement systems.

and divide decimals.

7th grade: Students will write and solve one-step inequalities.

8th grade: Students will compare, analyze, and describe functions.

***All logins and passwords have been given to students for IXL and Ray Dass. Please allow your child time to work on them everyday.

30 minutes on IXL 30 minutes on Ray Dass

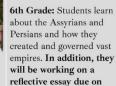


Practice language arts skills

on IXL. Read your chapter

5th Grade: Students will discover the exploration process by focusing on dates, motives, nationality,

and accomplishments. In addition, they will be working on a reflective essay due on Tuesday at 7:50 a.m.



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7th Grade: Students are discovering the rights granted to people to protect against the abuse of power and the rights that protect people accused of crime. In addition, they will be working on a reflective essay due on Tuesday at 7:50 a.m.

8th Grade: Students will explore why England wanted to establish colonies in North America. In addition, they will be working on a reflective essay due on Monday at



5th grade: students will be working on the solar system and their project, they will learn the position of the planet

6th grade: students will be learning on working Chemical reactions, they will be workin a lab, after they have been working on chemical reaction last week.

7th grade: students will been learning on the skin system and they will have a test on Friday

8th grade: they will be working on their project for science on the universe and space



5th Grade: Students are continuing to explore how and why through the Eucharist Jesus is the perfect gift.

6th Grade: Students are learning more about how the story of the Israelites Exodus experience foretold our future experience with Chrst.

7th Grade: Students looked at the parables of Jesus, their cultural and historical context, and what they mean for us

8th Grade: Students are looking closely at how the Church is "catholic" (universal) and how we can participate in its mission.

4 MARKS of the CHURCH

- ONE unity in diversity

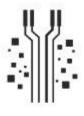
- · APOSTOLIC built on the
- HOLY sanctified by the Holy Spirit through Christ its Head
- CATHOLIC universal
- undation of the Apostle

SPECTACULAR SPECIALS









Mrs. Bharath

Mrs. Strudwick

Mr. Marcello

Mr. Abega

Art

Happy New Year!

This month of January, Pre-K4 and Kindergarten students will be learning about various artists through a series of guided drawings.

Both Upper and Lower Elementary will be looking at Art Nouveau and Art Deco styles for a Graphic Design project.

Music

This month in Music Class middle school will be working on learning the History of Black music in the USA. This topic is too expansive to be covered in only one month. 3rd - 8th graders will be reading notations with more difficult rhythms used in Jazz and Pop. 1st and 2nd graders will be listening, singing and playing simple tunes in styles found in this study. Pre K and K will be learning ring games and simple songs

We will also begin studying recorders once more.

Physical Education

In the month of
January our PE
classes will be
covering Track and
Field. Students will
learn the different
events and practice
them by competing
against each other.
Students will also
learn volleyball. In
health we will be
discussing the
history and rules of
track and volleyball.

S.T.R.E.A.M

For the month of January, NWEA Map testing will be taking place in the STREAM lab.

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NIFTY 50 FUNDRAISER

Help St. Andrew Catholic School raise funds to be able to provide an affordable quality education.



For only \$15, get 50% off 18 online menu-priced pizza orders before 12/31/24!

FIND A STUDENT TO PREORDER YOURS!

SALES START: 1/3/24 SALES END: 1/31/24

Cards are distributed about 2 weeks after the school submits the total card order

Cards are valid online only in Central and South Florida, Greater Tampa Bay, and Fort Myers. See <u>papajohnsfundraising.com/participating-areas</u> Must be signed into Papa Rewards Account. Not stackable with other discounts. \$500 order limit.

Each family is expected to sell a minimum of 4. Prizes will be given to the top 3 sellers!

As you all should know, the cost to educate a student for the 2023-2024 school year as stated in our 2023-2024 Tuition & Fee Schedule is \$11,592.00.

Our tuition is \$8,516.00 for Pre-K4-5th which is a \$3,076.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 6th grade is \$8496.00 which is a \$3096.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 7th grade is \$8517.00 which is a \$3075.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

Our tuition for 8th grade is \$8607.00 which is a \$2985.00 difference. This tuition amount includes school supplies, as well as three field trips and retreats.

In order to keep expenses reasonable for families, we try to bridge the difference with fundraiser such as the World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser that starts tomorrow as posted on our 2023-2024 St. Andrew Catholic School calendar which became available July 1, 2023 and in the Spartan Press.

Below, you will find what our 2023-2024 Handbook says about fundraising:

FUNDRAISING

All families must participate in school fundraising activities. The Home and School Association organizes and implements the fundraising program working with sales representatives from various vendors. Families/students fundraising for SACS are expected to use parent-approved friends, relatives and neighbors, not door-to-door selling. The revenue from the fundraisers is used to offset additional expenses or unbudgeted items that tuition does not cover such as technology enhancements, facilities and campus improvements, classroom enrichment materials, and a variety of instructional supplies.

School groups and the student body conduct fundraising drives such as Dollar Dress Down Days and Bake Sales. The type, frequency, and scheduling of these drives must be approved by the School Administration. Contributions and participation by students and employees is voluntary.



REGISTRATION 1/26 - 2/9

clubs.bluesombrero.com/ cysorlando St. Andrew Catholic School

4th & 5th VOLLEYBALL Registration

January 26th - February 9th



clubs.bluesombrero.com/ cysorlando



Creative U: Arts for Empowerment







Join us and engage in drama, visual art, creative writing activities to explore the power of the arts to build community, empowerment, and creativity.*

DATE & TIME

Mondays, Feb 5th - May 6th
(11 classes), 3:30 - 5:45 pm
Please note there is no class on
February 19th, March 25th or April 1st
Shareformance Date:
May 6th from 5:30-6:00 pm

LOCATION

St. Andrew Catholic School Mrs. Bharath's Room

*Space is limited to 20 participants!
For more info, please contact
Mrs. Jones at
jjones@standrewcatholicschool.org







Breast Cancer Shirt

Available sizes remaining

Youth Small- 3

Youth Large- 4

Adult Small- 2

Adult Large- 2

Adult XL-2

Adult 2XL-1





All Shirts are \$10

Please email sdescopain@standrewcatholicschool.org or rhayes@standrewcatholicschool.org

They can be worn on Tuesdays

No returns, refunds or exchanges once order placed.





Safe Environment Certification Instructions

Thank you for your interest in becoming a diocesan employee and/or volunteer! Please note the Safe Environment Certification process consists of 2 Steps:

Step 1: Safe Environment video and quiz

Step 2: Fingerprinting

Begin by visiting https://www.orlandodiocese.org/safe-environment/english/. Please read the instructions carefully. You cannot submit fingerprints until you have completed the Safe Environment video and passed the quiz.

Step 1: Safe Environment Video and Quiz

- 1. Watch the Safe Environment Certification video. The video is about 25 minutes long.
- When the video is complete, read the Diocesan Standards of Conduct and agree to terms. Proceed to quiz.
- Enter the Entity Code provided by your parish/school office: 259
 Choose your role/applicant type: volunteer, employee, vendor, clergy, or deacon.
 Click "next" to take the 20 question guiz.
- 4. Passing scores are 80% and above.

If you pass, you may immediately download your certificate. Results will also be emailed to your diocesan entity and to the office of Human Resources. Once the Safe Environment Certification quiz is complete, a Fieldprint code will appear specific to your entity. Please copy or write down this Fieldprint code as you will need to enter it in the next step. If you fail the quiz, you will be directed to Step 1.

Step 2: Fingerprinting

Visit www.fieldprintflorida.com to register for your fingerprinting appointment. You will need an email address for this part of the process. If you do not have an email address, please contact the Safe Environment Coordinator in your diocesan entity (parish/school office) for assistance.

Please enter the Fieldprint Code on the "Reason for Fingerprinting" screen when prompted. Then complete Fieldprint registration and schedule your appointment.









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St. Andrew Catholic School is now hiring for the 2023-2024 school year.

If you would like to join our team, please forward your resume to lgipson@standrewcatholicschool.org.

Work the days and hours your child is in school or after school!

St. Andrew Catholic Home and School Association

The St. Andrew Catholic Home and School Association is an organization comprised of all parents and guardians of St. Andrew Catholic School students. Their purpose is to promote open communication, goodwill and cooperation among the parents, teachers, and administration by providing an opportunity for parents and teachers to work together for the good of the children. HSA also directs and coordinates parental education and supports St. Andrew Catholic School through assistance activities, social functions and fundraisers.

Membership is open to all parents and guardians of students of St. Andrew Catholic School and the faculty of the school. A voting member shall consist of the entire family unit and the member must be in good financial

We are in the process of looking for the following officers for the 2023-2024 school year:

President

- a. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the association. He/she shall have authority over the general and active management of the business and affairs of the association, subject to the direction of the board.
- b. The president shall call and preside over all regular and special meetings of the association and executive board.

Vice President

a. Acts as an aide to the President

standing with the association to cast a vote.

- b. Performs the duties and exercise the powers of the President in the absence of the President
- c. Performs such duties as assigned by the Home and School Association Board of Directors

Secretary

- a. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping a true and accurate record of meetings of this association and of the executive board.
- b. The secretary shall be responsible for keeping a current and accurate listing of members.
- c. The secretary shall be responsible for notifying all board members of regular or special meetings of the board. He/she shall be responsible for sending notification of regular or special meetings of the association to all members.
- d. He/she shall handle such correspondence as the president or executive board shall direct.

Treasurer

- a. Works with the President to create an annual budget for the Home and School Association
- b. Presents the budget to the Home and School Association Board for approval
- c. Keeps an accurate record of receipts and expenditures

Homeroom Parent (HR) Coordinator

- a. Update and prepare HR Parent notebook for distribution annually to new HR Parents and assist with the HR Parent meeting at the beginning of the school year.
- b. Assist or serve as Chairperson of the Teacher Appreciation Committee and assists with disseminating HSA and other information via HR Parents.

According to our HSA bylaws regarding elections, HSA board members are elected for a 2-year term. If you are interested in one of the open board positions above please email me your name, position desired, and contact information to Latrina M. Peters-Gipson at lgipson@standrewcatholicschoo.org.

Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures

ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

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EXPIRES: May 1, 2024

Redeem Now

In order for your child to play sports, parent/guardian must take a class. The link for the class is below: https://playlikeachampion.wufoo.com/forms/mhwglp5036xjyp/

Proof of attendance in one of the below will allow you to receive 1 hour of volunteer hours towards your Render Unto God volunteers hours needed to reenroll for the 2024-2025 school year. All families need 10 hours to re-enroll.



2023-2024 online parent workshops

Behavior Management

September 14, 2023 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Workshop Link - https://tinyurl.com/BM091423

Strategies for Improving Nightly Homework Routines

November 09, 2023 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Workshop Link - https://tinyurl.com/Strats110923

Supporting Students During Testing

January 25, 2024 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Workshop Link - https://tinyurl.com/Testing012524

Transitioning from High School to Post High School

April 11, 2024 - 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Workshop Link - https://tinyurl.com/PostHS21124

REGISTER NOW



https://tinyurl.com/2324NP-Parents

