

Immaculate Heart of Mary School

Immaculate Heart of Mary School is a Community of Faith in which school and parents join together in the formation and education of each child to achieve a balance of faith, character, and academic excellence.

Graduates of Immaculate Heart of Mary strive to become:

Children of Faith and Morality



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

Dear Eagles,

Thank you to all of those who joined us for our Back-to-School Social presentation this past Sunday. Together, we built fellowship by attending Mass as a family, meeting with our teachers, and eating tacos and shaved ice. We are looking forward to continuing our efforts to strengthen our school **community** throughout this 2022-2023 school year.

One item that we discussed during the whole-school presentation was the security inside the school, particularly pertaining to the vehicles that go in and out of our school grounds. One of the concerns that have been brought up by several parents is making sure that all vehicles that go inside our school are authorized to be there. One of the solutions that we came up with is to have a parking sticker assigned to each vehicle that is used to pick up our students. Attaching these stickers to the front for better visibility will also allow us to use this parking sticker to identify the vehicles that park inside the church ground in case they lock the parking gate. The sticker will be valid for a year and will be renewed each school year. Each sticker costs \$10.00. Please visit the office or send money with your child to make a purchase. We are still in the implementation stage, but we are hoping that, by the end of October, we can make this a schoolwide policy. Thank you for your help in making our school safe by supporting this cause.

The faculty, staff, PTA, and I value your partnership and are always ready to answer any of your questions or listen to any of your concerns. Please join us at our next PTA meeting this Tuesday, October 4th at 7 PM, to share ideas. We will be alternating between in-person and Zoom meetings every month with the October meeting taking place on Zoom. We look forward to hopefully seeing you at our meeting - all are welcome!

In His Service, Ms. Bautista



EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT! WHAT'S GOING ON AT AND AROUND IHM?

- The Campus Ministry has copies of Why We're Catholic: Our Reasons for Faith, Hope, and Love by Trent Horn available for all IHM families. If you did not get a copy of the book at Sunday's social, please stop by the office for your complimentary copy. They will be hosting book talks and reflections on our faith throughout the 2022-2023 school year. You won't want to miss out on this incredible faith formation opportunity! Keep an eye out on future newsletters for more details and dates.
- We want to hear from you! As partners in educating our IHM students, it's important to us to hear from our parents regarding how we can improve student learning. Please do so by filling out this Google form: https://forms.gle/TxgRYW7ADNm9EhJo7. Completion of the survey will also grant you 1 service hour.
- Our first mandatory fundraiser Boon Supply ends this Friday, Sept. 30. The minimum selling goal is \$100. Any remaining balances will be added to your Blackbaud account by Monday, October 3rd.
- Immaculate Heart and Loyola High Schools are teaming up once again to provide free tutoring for our students. All the tutoring sessions will take place at 3:15 PM via Zoom. If you would like to sign your child up, fill out this Google Form (clickable link). Questions can be sent to virtualhighschooltutors@gmail.com.
- I have been in touch with Dennis Uniform regarding the uniform shortage that they have been experiencing. They have advised that families start their shopping in early January and July as that is when they begin placing their orders for shipment. For any questions regarding our uniform, please review our dress code (clickable link).
- The Knights of Columbus Council No. 13237 is planning a Blood Drive in November. In order to confirm this event, they need to show that there's a concrete interest of blood donors. Please contact Julian (213-814-8888) or Anneli (213-507-3474) if you would be interested in saving lives by donating blood. They will be submitting your information (name/phone/email) to the American Red Cross.
- The Archdiocese of Los Angeles mandates that all adults who work with or around children are VIRTUS® trained and certified. It is mandatory that all volunteers working with our students (i.e. parents completing their service hours as field trip chaperones, yard duty supervisors, classroom helpers, etc.) are VIRTUS trained and fingerprinted. For those who are already VIRTUS trained, please make sure that you are up-to-date on your monthly bulletins by logging in using your prior credentials on www.virtusonline.org. For more information, visit: lacatholics.org/fingerprinting/.



- Oct. 4: St. Francis of Assisi feast day (pet blessing); 6 PM Title I parent meeting; 7 PM PTA meeting (Meeting ID: 747 655 8435 Passcode: 857700)
- Oct. 6: Rosary during morning prayer (Thurs. Throughout Oct.); 8th gr. Family Night
- Oct. 11: World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser kickoff
- Oct. 12: 6 PM 1st/2nd Grade Check-In (Meeting ID: 747 655 8435 Passcode: 857700)
- Oct. 17: 1st Tri. Progress Reports
- Oct. 24: Red Ribbon Week
- Oct. 31: Halloween Parade; TK-3 Carnival at Immaculate Heart Middle School

