November 1, 2021



The mission of Sacred Heart School is to promote life-long learning and Christ centered values in a Catholic setting.

Minnesota Non-public School Accreditation Association

Sacred Heart School will begin our MNSAA Self Study during the 2021-2022 school year. A team of professionals will visit our school in the fall of 2022 to validate our Self Study, and our School Improvement plan to reaccredit Sacred Heart School/Children's House Montessori. MNSAA accredits PreK-12th Grade Nonpublic Schools in Minnesota. A nonpublic school is defined as a privately controlled organization wherein a resident of Minnesota may legally fulfill the K-12 compulsory instruction law (MN Statute 120A.22). Additionally, a nonpublic school is an institution of learning that has on unified mission and philosophy, one local governing authority, one administration, and one consistent curriculum. Though there are both nonprofit and for-profit nonpublic schools in existence, MNSAA only accredits 501©(3) nonprofit organizations.

Schools may also choose to have their preschool accredited. If a school elects to have its preschool accredited, MNSAA requires the early learning program be integrated into all aspects of the life of the school and be licensed by the Department of Human Services in the State of Minnesota.

Sacred Heart School and Children's House Montessori will seek accreditation of both programs in the fall of 2022.

Our staff days will be utilized to prepare and complete our Self Study.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 3, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, November 3, Picture Retake Day Friday, November 5-Staff Day No School Wednesday, November 10, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, November 17, 8:30 a.m. Mass Monday, November 22, P/T Conferences 3:00-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 23, P/T Conferences 3:00-7:00 p.m.

November 24-28, Thanksgiving Break No School Wednesday, December 1, 8:30 a.m. Mass Friday, December 3-Staff Day No School Wednesday, December 8, 12:30-2:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal Christmas Program

Thursday, December 9, 6:00 p.m. CHM/SHS Christmas Program-Central Auditorium

Wednesday, December 15, 8:30 a.m. Mass Wednesday, December 22, 8:30 a.m. Mass December 23-January 2, Christmas Break No School

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

We will be holding parent-teacher conferences, **Preschool-4th Grade**, on Monday, November 22, and Tuesday, November 23, 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. In order to make your conference a profitable one, we would like to suggest some things you may want to ask about and some things you may want to tell the teacher.

You may want to ask the teacher:

- 1. Does my child participate in class?
- 2. Does my child demonstrate self-control?
- 3. How does my child get along with other children?
- 4. Does my child seem happy in school?

You may want to tell the teacher:

- 1. Which school activities your child talks about at home?
- 2. Has anything happened lately that might affected your child?
- 3. What are your child's strengths and weaknesses?

Sharing information about your child with his/her teacher will enable us to provide a learning program that will best meet the needs of your child.

Please contact the school office if you are not sure what day/time your conferences are scheduled. Schedules were sent with October Newsletters.

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER

A reminder that we play outside nearly everyday for recess and physical education. Please dress your child/ren for the weather as temperatures begin to drop.

Children will need to wear coat, snow pants, boots, hat and mittens when snow arrives. Prepare now so you are ready when winter weather is upon us.

We believe fresh air and outdoor activity helps students with learning during the school day. Please contact the school office if you need assistance with winter gear.

FREE LUNCHES 2021-2022

We are happy to inform you that Sacred Heart School and Children's House Montessori have been approved to offer FREE meals to all students through the MN Department of Education Food and Nutrition Program. The school will offer daily lunches at no cost to our SHS/CHM families on the days school is in session. This program will run until further notice. We are grateful for this opportunity. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

SCHOOL FEES 2021-2022

A reminder that the following fees were due by October 29, 2021:

Registration Fee \$200 per family
Technology Fee \$50 per family
Supply Fee \$25 per student

Please contact the school office if you were unable to pay the fees by the due date. We will help you work out a payment plan. Thank you!

In the event of severe winter weather, school closures will be announced using School Messenger, Email, and Facebook. SHS will follow the same closures for weather as the Waseca Public School District.