

Week of August 17, 2009

**ICCS STAFF THEME FOR 2009-2010: Same as the school theme:**

**THEME OF THE YEAR:**

**“Whoever lives the truth comes to the light, so that his works  
may be clearly seen as  
done in God...”**

*John 3:21*

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**VIRTUE OF THE MONTH FOR AUGUST: ENTHUSIASM!!**

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The 2009-2010 National Theme for Catholic Schools is “Catholic Schools—Dividends for Life”.

See [www.ncea.org](http://www.ncea.org)

20<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time

WEEK OF AUGUST 17-22

Saints of the Week: Thursday: St. Bernard; Friday: St. Pius X; Saturday: Queenship of Mary

**ACADEMIC FOCUS: Standards Based Curriculum: Vertical and Horizontal Alignment of Writing Across the Curriculum!**

**SPIRITUAL FOCUS: A Call to Holiness!!**

*Facilities Events Can Be Viewed: \*\*\*\*[www.iccdenton.org](http://www.iccdenton.org) News and Events....Calendar*

Dear Team,

What a great job you all did last week in preparation for this big week of welcoming our families so we can continue the vision of forming these children for Christ and his church! My prayer is that this year will be a very wonderful one as we offer our hands and hearts to HIM! Let's begin!!

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**\*\*\*IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT MORNING EXTENDED CARE: Since Robin Neu must get to her classroom so she can be available at 7:45 a.m. when her students come in, we will release students to their classrooms from Extended at 7:40 a.m., so please be in your homerooms by that time.\*\*\***

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**MONDAY—** Report as per contract. BE SURE TO SIGN IN. Doors open at 7:45 a.m. Classes begin at 8 a.m. Noon Dismissal. No Extended Care. Staff Meeting in Library. **1:30 to 2:30 p.m.**

\*\*\*\*\*All classrooms and educational hallways are to be cleared of parents and non-school parties after the 7:55 a.m. bell rings so prayer and instruction can begin promptly at 8 a.m. Please let your parents know this in your letters home.\*\*\*\*\*

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**TUESDAY: FIRST FULL DAY OF SCHOOL. EXTENDED CARE BEGINS AT 7 A.M. TO 7:45 A.M. EXTENDED CARE FROM 3 TO 6 P.M.**

**--TUESDAY: Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Church for grades 1-8. Please proceed over to the church immediately after the bell rings at 8 a.m.**

**--THURSDAY, AUGUST 20:** First School Mass...Dress Uniform

**--FRIDAY, AUGUST 21: FIRST BROWN ENVELOPE GOES HOME**

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**--TUESDAY, AUGUST 25:** Parent-Teacher meetings for grades Kindergarten through Second 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the classrooms.

**--WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26:** Parent-Teacher meetings for grades Third-Eighth from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the classrooms.

**--THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 Please put in your notes home and let your children know that the last Thursday of every month we will ask for families to bring a canned good to Mass for our local food pantries.**

**\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE TURN IN YOUR PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE TO KRISTY\*\*\*\*\***

**--Things to Remember:**

- This is the time to be getting your Room Moms on board.
- Be sure you have your curriculum guide and Hartford curriculum.
- Be sure you are e-mailing your parent letters for approval
- Please contact each of your parents either through e-mail, phone call, or note home between now and the first parent meeting just to touch base. Do not e-mail while you are supervising students.
- Be sure to copy e-mails to the principal when you send them to parents for documentation purposes.
- Lesson Plans are due each Monday at 8 a.m.
- Be sure to read your Staff Handbook within the next week. A sheet will be placed by the regular signup sheet where you need to sign indicating you have read the handbook.

**\*\*\*\*\*Eligibility:** Irene is in charge of notifying students about any eligibility issues. Please read the handbook for criteria for eligibility to participate in EXTRA-CURRICULAR activities (this means any competition outside the classroom, not just sports) Irene must be notified no later than 8 a.m. each Monday. Students are ineligible for that week of competition if they get their grades up. Grade cutoff is 3 p.m. each Friday. Ask Irene if you have questions.

- August 31: Staff Meeting from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Library**
- Sept. 1: First Day for Chicken Strips**
- Sept. 2: First Day for Hot Lunch**
- Sept. 3: Mass at 8:15 a.m. First Day for Pizza Lunch**
- Sept. 6: Diocesan Advisory Council Workshop at Holy Trinity in Ft. Worth**
- Sept. 7: Labor Day Holiday....No School**
- Sept. 8: Blessed Mother's Birthday!!**
- Sept. 8: ICCS hosts Tioga in and NTIL Volleyball in the ICCS gym**
- Sept. 9: Coffee with the Principal 8 to 9 a.m. in the gym**
- Sept. 14-18: Iowa Achievement Testing**
- Sept. 25: School Picnic sponsored by the Home and School Association**

Virtue for September: **Mercy (Compassion, Kindness)** St. Faustina  
"Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your  
compassion wipe out my offense."  
Psalm 51:3-4

Assignments books for grades 6-8 are in Evelyn's office. Homeroom teachers, please check with Evelyn first thing in the morning to get your assignment books to issue. Make sure the students have their names on the assignment books. It might not be a bad idea for you to number them with permanent marker as an extra assurance that the assignment book belongs to that particular student.

If you are in grades 5 and under and you ordered an assignment book at the end of the school year with your class funds, please pick them up from Evelyn in the morning. If you did not order them, but still wish to do so, let Evelyn know so she can place the order. It will take about a week for them to arrive, or you can choose your own method. Any orders at this point will come from your classroom funds.

Textbooks: Grade 6-8 textbooks have been inventoried and issued by Rebecca in the library. She is the point of contact for any textbooks for Upper School. **HOWEVER**, make sure the students also put their name on the inside cover of the textbook and the school year in the place provided.

Grades 5 and under: Please make sure you have numbered the textbooks, consummables, etc., **AND** placed the name of each student in the inside cover as indicated.

