



PRESENTATION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
SCHOOL

School Newsletter

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Mass Schedule
Saturday: 5:00PM
Sunday:
8:30 AM
& 10:30 AM

Tues, Thurs, Fri:
8:00AM in the Chapel

Wednesday:
8:45 AM in the church

Principal's Page

Dear Parents –

Wow – we are already at the mid-way point of our first trimester! It seems like only yesterday the students were walking in the door in fresh uniforms excited to start their year. Now they are learning to read, studying the history of the USA and learning to multiply!

Conferences:

Mid-Trimester reports will go home today with your student. Please look for the report, review it and draft any questions you may have for your parent/teacher conference coming October 25th and 26th. A Sign Up Genius has been emailed to all families, be sure to look for that so you can sign up for a time that is convenient for you. Your child's NWEA results will also be shared with you at your scheduled conference time. Our teachers look forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's progress during the first few weeks of school.

Panther Pride Auction:

You will receive an auction invitation later this month. This is the biggest fund raiser we do for our school all year – please consider attending, and invite other parents in your class to attend with you! It is an amazing night! I look forward to feeling all the love and support from our parish and school community on this night each year! Just your attendance makes a difference in the education of a student here at Presentation!

I wish you all a safe and relaxing MEA weekend! The weather should be beautiful and the students are ready for the break!

God Bless,

Nikki Giel
Principal

You're invited to attend the Saint Thomas Academy Fall Admissions Showcase on Monday, October 29 at 6 PM. See for yourself why Saint Thomas Academy is a place where boys harness their greatest intellectual, athletic, spiritual and leadership potential. Register at cadets.com/showcase



Our 6th graders enjoyed a cold but fun week at Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center this past week. They learned about the environment, orienteering, and mastered the ropes course. What a wonderful experience – thanks to Mr. J. and the volunteers that made their week possible!



The Panther Pride Auction is only 2 months away! We still need your donations. All auction proceeds directly impact children at our school. Please consider donating a gift card to your favorite restaurant, a basket filled with your favorite things or a few nights at your Cabin on the Lake! Visit our website <https://www.presentationofmaryschool.org/auction/> or contact Michelle Hoemann at mhoemann@presentationofmary.org for ideas and opportunities.

Support the theme - **Luck Be a Panther Tonight** - and donate used poker chips!

- ◆ Gift Cards are needed! Restaurant gift cards are needed for the 2018 Panther Pride Auction and Benefit. Gift cards to any restaurant in denominations of \$20 or more are greatly appreciated. For every gift card that your child brings in, they will receive a special surprise in the school office.



- ◆ The auction is a success each year because of our wonderful volunteers! Many hours of behind the scenes planning and preparation go into the auction. We are in need of volunteers for both the night of the event as well as before and after. Please see the Sign Up Genius link and help out where you are able!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4babad2fa64-panther>
- ◆ Donations are being accepted NOW! If you have an item you would like to donate to the auction, please drop it off at the school or parish office! We are still in need of donations of cards, and dice that will be used for decorations the night of the event. We are also in need of bottles of alcohol any size, and any type. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

Join us for the Halloween party on Saturday October 27th! The fun will be unBOOlievable! This is a great event for the whole family...even the littlest monsters! See you there!



Join US Maintenance Day October 27th from 8 AM – 3 PM. Come for an hour or the whole day – whatever you are available for. This is a great way to earn some of those volunteer hours! Bring the whole family – there is something for everyone to do! Lunch will be served!



Need Help Paying Your Tuition?

Join other Presentation families and become part of the Pioneer Foundation for the Performing Arts. It is an organization independent of Hill-Murray School. It provides programs for volunteers seeking additional opportunities for tuition assistance grants. These grants help to pay tuition at Presentation. So you “volunteer” your time, and they send a check to Presentation for your child’s tuition. This organization has been helping to provide significant funds for families who wish to volunteer their time and talents. It’s easy to learn how your family can take advantage of these programs. Many of our Presentation families pay their child’s entire tuition by “volunteering” at these events. Want more information?

Contact: Bonnie Nelson

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Website: <http://pioneerfoundation.weebly.com>

Parents please be sure to follow the link for the Sign Up Genius and sign up for a conference time with your child’s homeroom teacher. In the fall we like to meet with each family and discuss your child’s progress and set goals for the coming year.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4babad2fa64-parentteacher3>

Lunch Accounts!



**Please keep your lunch account current.
Log into:**

<https://educate.tads.com>

Please contact the school office if you are having trouble logging in.

Parent/Student Handbook



Please take a moment to read the Parent/Student Handbook [HERE](#) if you have not yet done so. Once that is complete, we ask you to complete the [Google](#) form indicating you have done so. Thanks in advance for your cooperation with this.



Soccer

4th/5th grade

The Presentation/St. Jerome's team wrapped up their regular season on Tuesday. They lost to Faithful Shephard 0-5, which was quite the improvement over the last time they played Faithful Shephard. Their game against St. Ambrose was cancelled. This team improved a lot over the course of the season and they all enjoyed getting to know one another.

6th/7th/8th grade:

The combined team of Presentation, St. Jerome's and St. John's wrapped up their regular season this past Monday. This team recorded a 4-0 win over Nativity and a win over New Life Academy due to a forfeit. They lost to St. Odilia 1-5, but ended their season with a 3-1 win over St. Thomas Academy.

PLAYOFFS: Soccer playoffs begin October 23rd and end October 28th. Playoffs are single elimination. Not all soccer teams go to the playoffs. We will know on Thursday, 10/16 whether or not

We participate in the Catholic Athletic Association. For the most current schedules and field locations, please refer to their website at: <http://www.stpaulcaa.org/index>.



Volleyball

4th/5th grade

This team showed a lot of improvement over the season. They lost 1-2 to Faithful Shephard, but according to one of their coaches, they played "unbelievably well" and had lots of three touch plays. They lost 1-2 to Highland Catholic in what was a really close game. They finished their last three matches of the regular season with a 1-2 loss against St. Agnes, a 3-0 win over Liberty Classical and a 0-2 loss against a very strong St. Joseph WSP. Over the last 3 games, serving improved quite a bit and Aubrey U, Izzie M, Izzy C and Maddy B all served 5 in a row.

6th/7th grade

Congratulations to this team for taking 2nd place in the Transfiguration Tournament! They took first in their pool by defeating St. Peter's and Transfiguration. They were then matched against MMSA in the championship game. Games between MMSA and Presentation are always close, but this time MMSA came out victorious.

In the regular season the last couple weeks, this team has recorded 3-0 wins against New Life Academy Green, Mounds Park Academy and new Life Gold. They had a rematch against Christ Lutheran, who they had their only loss to earlier in the season. This time, they came out on top with a 2-1 win.

8th grade combined

The combined Presentation/St. Jerome's team is undefeated at their home gym (St. Jerome's). They defeated St. Odilia 2-0, St. Thomas More 2-1 and North Heights 3-0 the last couple of weeks at home. They lost to North Heights 1-2 at North Heights and lost 1-2 against Immaculate Conception at Immaculate Conception. They recorded away wins against Frassati 2-1 and St. Odilia 2-0.

PLAYOFFS: Volleyball playoffs begin October



Jr. Polar 4th grade football team finishes strong.

Five Presentation students played their hearts out for the Jr. Polar 4th grade football team. What an amazing season we had! We started out with a few losses but came storming back to finish 4 and 4. The young athletes learned tough skills that will last them their entire football career. Also, they learned to play together. Through the entire season they never gave up on each other and they gave it 110%. Through the season they practiced tackling techniques and learned new running and passing plays. We were injury free because we learned how to be cognizant of each other on the field. The players really came along way this season. We finished on a strong win and we all pushed each other until the final play. We are looking forward to next year. We are proud of our Panthers that played on this team!

Alumni news –

If you have any alumni news or pictures we would love to share your updates with the Presentation community in our next alumni newsletter. Please submit any updates to Mrs. Giel at ngiel@presenationofmary.org

Our 5,7 & 8 graders had a wonderful time at the Mass of the Holy Spirit held at US Bank Stadium. We joined 78 other catholic elementary schools and 12,000 other students to celebrate the start of the school year and the Holy Eucharist. Arch Bishop Hebda did a wonderful homily and the students enjoyed the amazing music by the band Sonar. What a wonderful experience! Thank you to CSCOE for sponsoring and planning the event! We can't wait until the next one!



Join us October 24th at 6 PM at the Plaza Movie Theater for a fun family movie night. Admission is \$3 per person and \$2 of that comes back to Presentation. What a fun way to raise money for our school! Invite your family and friends and let's Pack the Plaza!

“Hotel Transylvania 3” will be showing for us!

This event will continue all year on the 4th Wednesday of each month! We hope to see you there!

IMPORTANT DATES

October 2018	
Thurs-Fri 18-19	No School ~ MEA
Wednesday 24	Movie Night at The Plaza 6:00PM
Thursday 25	Conferences 3:30-7:30PM
Friday 26	No School ~ Conferences 11:00-4:00PM
Saturday 27	Maintenance Day 8:00AM-3:00PM 
Saturday 27	Halloween Party 6:00PM in the gym 
November 2018	
Wednesday 7	Picture Retake day
Nov 21-23	No School ~ Thanksgiving Break
Thursday 29	End of Trimester
Friday 30	No School~ Staff Development



Our Mission: The purpose of Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary School is to provide a Catholic community that fosters the religious and academic development of the individual student in a safe and welcoming learning environment.

Our Philosophy: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary School creates a supportive Catholic community committed to the Gospel message that calls us to faith, service, and worship. An environment of respect, peace and justice fosters an appreciation of God's gift of life in all people. Each student is empowered to develop their own potential, which will lead to excellence in academics, athletic activities and the fine arts.