

Mary Immaculate School

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Dear Mary Immaculate School Parents,

I can't believe it's already March and the end of the school year is just around the corner! We have begun preparing for the following school year. We will continue with the 190-day calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. We strongly believe that if we want to create a stronger curriculum and prepare our students better for their future, we need to provide them with more instructional days. Our current tentative date for the first day of school is Thursday, August 22, 2019 (date is subject to change). We will confirm the official date as we get closer to the end of the school year. Additionally, we will continue our early dismissal day on Fridays. This has allowed us to have more instructional time with our students by minimizing the number of early dismissal and no school days such as Parent-teacher conference weeks, parish and school fiesta, etc... In addition to having 190 days in our school calendar, we will continue to focus on strengthening our academic curriculum. This year our teachers participated in the *Strengthening Math Curriculum: Core Instructional Practices*, CIP, training to help them develop stronger Math lessons. Teachers are now implementing a gradual release method that provides students with the opportunity to be more engaged in the learning process. Objectives are being introduced at the beginning of each lesson and students are consistently assessed throughout the lesson. Teachers are also implementing various contexts to help students with different learning styles master the standards introduced in class. We will continue implementing CIP the following school year. We will also work closely with the Department of Catholic Schools on developing a Writing program to help our students strengthen their writing skills. Next year, we will continue with our STEM, Coding, and after school programs.

Thank you for your tremendous support. We are looking forward to a successful 2019-2020 school year! ☺



Upcoming Events

March 15

Parent-teacher conferences 12pm dismissal

March 20

Honors Assembly at 8:30am

March 21

6th grade Stations of the Cross at 2pm

March 22

No School: Religious Education Congress

March 24

School Family Mass at 10am

March 28

5th grade Stations of the Cross at 2pm

March 29

Spring Musical

Morning Drop Off

Just a reminder that the blocked off parking area is only for Pre-school and TK parents to park their vehicles and walk their children to the classroom for Pre-school and Social Hall/Benches for TK. All the other grades please remember that it is not a short-cut to avoid the drop off line. Also, if you park outside, please walk your child to the entrance of the school. We have vehicles coming in and out of the parking lot and this poses a risk to the safety of your child. The safety of our students is a priority to us. We ask for your support and cooperation.

WASC/WCEA Accreditation

We will begin the accreditation process next school year. Faculty, staff, and I will be analyzing where we are academically and will evaluate the different areas of our school as a whole. We will be working on writing the WASC/WCEA Self-Study next year and will have the pre-visit and official accreditation visit the following year, 2020-2021. As a result, we will be having a few no school days to work on the WASC-WCEA Self-Study. I will be providing more information regarding the accreditation process at our Back-to-School Night.

Thank you for your continued support!



More Important Dates

March 14

Report Cards go home

March 15

General Fee due

April 5, 6, and 7

School Fiesta