



“The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.”
Psalm 19

Dear Parents and Guardians,

September 26, 2021

Here at St. Anthony, we love to celebrate! We are currently celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. In addition to lessons learned in Spanish classes, our students also enjoyed two special visitors—Frida Kahol from Mexico and St. Oscar Romero of El Salvador. The learning and fun will continue until mid-October when we will host our first-ever “Street Taco” lunch. See the attached flyer. Many thanks to Senora Bunker, Senora Garcia, and Ms. Tracy for all of their hard work and creativity.

Health & Safety... During this time we need everyone’s cooperation and support to keep our school community safe and healthy.

- Complete the health screening prior to coming to school each day.
- Do not send your child to school if he/ she is sick.
- If someone in your house has Covid your student should not come to school.
- Students need to be in the building by 8:00 AM. Late arrivals and early dismissal are frowned upon.



If your child is out for three consecutive days or a consecutive Friday and Monday then he/ she must return with either a doctor’ note or a negative Covid test.

Standardized Testing... Students in grades 1-8 will be taking the MAP (Measurement of Academic Progress) tests in Reading and Math beginning the week of September 20. Each grade will have an introduction to the test and an opportunity to complete practice test questions before they take the baseline assessments. Grades 6-8 already completed their testing. Additional grades will begin testing this week. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Mrs. Hedian at anne.hedian@catholicacademies.org

Grade	Reading/LA	Math
1	Tuesday, September 28	Tuesday, October 5
2	Thursday, September 30	Wednesday, September 29
3	Wednesday, October 6	Thursday, October 7
4	Monday, October 4	Tuesday, September 28
5	Thursday September 30	Monday, October 4



Principal Chats... Virtual Principal Chats are back! This year they will be held on Thursdays, 12:00-12:30 PM. The same link will be used each week. This is an informal opportunity for us to talk and for you to ask questions, share ideas, etc. Feel free to drop in for a few minutes or to stay for the entire session.

Help Needed... We're looking for a few strong parents! Our school has two brand new mobile charging carts that will house our Chrome Books. These carts are heavy and need to be moved to their new homes. We are asking volunteers to help this Tuesday at 2:30 PM. Contact the office if you're able to help.



Black History Month... This February each class will learn about and present one Historic Black College or University. Students will learn the history of each school, its current offerings, and share distinguished alumni. If you would like to share or participate please contact the individual classroom teacher or the main office.

Pre-K3	Grambling State University
Pre-K4	American Baptist College of Nashville
Kindergarten	University of the Virgin Islands
1st grade	Xavier University-Louisiana
2nd Grade	Bowie State University
3rd Grade	Clark Atlanta University
4th Grade	Howard University
5th Grade	Morehouse College
6th Grade	Morgan State
7th Grade	Tuskegee University
8th Grade	Fisk University
Mr. Sawyer	Hampton University
Ms. Tracy	Delaware State University

Boo-Drive-Thru... Back by popular demand! The “Boo-Drive-Thru” will be held on Friday, October 29. Our faculty and staff (and maybe a handful of others) will dress up and spread out on sidewalks around the school to give away candy and other treats. Students should wear their Halloween costumes and remain in their vehicles while parents follow the route. Donations of candy, stickers, pencils, erasers, and other goodies are greatly appreciated.

Proudly celebrating our 99th year!

As you many of you may know, my wife (Jessica) has been diagnosed with Lyme disease and various co-infections. This has been challenging for her and our family. Beginning this week, I will work reduced hours to focus more on my family and my wife's healing. You and your child (ren) will still see me at arrival and/ or dismissal, at the weekly "Principal Chat," at prayer services, and in the classroom. I will also be accessible by email. I am blessed to have Ms. Moore and Mrs. Hedian on my administrative team. They are both rock-solid administrators who are happy to help. I thank you in advance for your continued prayers.

Respectfully,

Mr. Thomasian

Mr. Michael Thomasian
Principal

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