

February 8, 2018

**REMINDER:** St. Rita School, as well as the CARES program, will be closed if Racine Unified cancels school. St. Rita will not be specifically mentioned in news or other media alerts. In the case of a two hour delayed start, St. Rita School will also have a two hour delayed start. The before school CARES program will be closed but open after school. As always, we support your decision to keep your children home if it is in your family's best interest.

Due to a low turn-out and the potential for bad weather, the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade hosted Movie Night has been cancelled for tomorrow evening.

Payments are being returned to families today via backpack mail.

### SCRIP NOTES

- Tomorrow is OOU for January SCRIP purchases (if we have a snow day tomorrow these students may be OOU on Monday).
- SCRIP being sent home today due to impending weather.
- SCRIP orders will be processed February 12<sup>th</sup> and delivered Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> next week.
- There will be NO SCRIP the week of February 19<sup>th</sup>.



## Valentine's Day Parties

will be held this year on Fat Tuesday (February 13<sup>th</sup>) in the afternoon beginning around 2:00 pm. Ash Wednesday falls on February 14<sup>th</sup> this year and so we believe it is appropriate to celebrate Mardi Gras and Valentine's together! Homeroom teachers and room parents will provide further information. Please keep in mind that if your child brings in Valentines there should be enough for ALL students in the class! Middle school students will be going roller skating in the afternoon on February 13<sup>th</sup> at STAR Roller Rink (permission slips are due Tomorrow!)

Students may be OOU if they wear red, pink, white or Valentine's Day inspired clothing (school appropriate of course!). Classroom Sizes:

K-13	3-14	6-20
1-9	4-16	7-16
2-23	5-15	8-25

- Ash Wednesday: February 14<sup>th</sup> Student Mass, 8:30 am; Prayer Service 12:00 pm; Mass 6:30 pm
- Yearbook Orders due before February 16<sup>th</sup> (extra forms in the office)
- No School February 16<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> for teacher education
- The St. Rita Tournament continues—come out and watch the boys play! Game times can be found on the website: <http://www.st-ritas.org/tournament>
- The best Lenten Fish Fries in town begin on February 16<sup>th</sup> in the school gym from 5:00-7:00 pm. To volunteer in the dining room contact Laurie Jensen at 262-639-7602, for other volunteer opportunities contact the parish office, 262-639-3223.



## SCHOOL ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

### Tuition Payment Agreement

Today the youngest student of each current school family is receiving a Tuition Payment Agreement form (TPA). This is the tuition contract for the 2018-2019 school year. This form is required for all tuition paying families. Families who apply and qualify for the school choice voucher program do not need to complete the TPA. We ask that the TPA be returned by February 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Financial Aid

The Siena School System is also offering Financial Assistance to families, based on need, who did not qualify for the parental choice program. Information is included on the TPA.

### Parental Choice Voucher Program

A reminder to families applying for the School Choice program—it is imperative that you apply prior to February 20<sup>th</sup>! Also, please remember to bring in your verification or income and residency documents after applying. The below information is about the application process.

#### How the process works:

1. The parent or guardian logs into the online parent application. [dpi.wi.gov/choice](http://dpi.wi.gov/choice)
2. Once logged in, the application will take the parent to an instruction page on how to verify the email address. The parent's instructions read as follows:
  - a. You need to verify your email address for the Private School Choice Program Online Application.
  - b. Go to the inbox for your email account for: "email [address@email.com](mailto:address@email.com)"
  - c. Click the "Confirm Email Address" link in the email to confirm your email address.
3. Once the parent clicks the "Confirm Email Address" link in the email, the link will take the parent to the email verification confirmation page where it notifies the parent that their email address has been verified.
4. On the email verification confirmation page, the parent will be instructed to click on a link to return to the online parent application log-in page where the parent will need to enter his or her email and password to continue the application process.

Questions about the Choice program

OR Financial Aid ?

Contact Kory Wandry: 262-833-5517



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#### Resources For Parents: [dpi.wi.gov/choice](http://dpi.wi.gov/choice)

- Link to Online Parent Application
- Application Process Presentation
- Parent Brochure (available in English and Spanish)
- Frequently Asked Questions (available in English and Spanish)
- Online Parent Application Print Screens
- School Lists and Contact Information (will be posted February 1)
- Allowed Residency Documents
- Alternative Residency Documentation Form
- Department of Revenue (DOR) Income Determination Method FAQ
- 2018-19 Income Limits

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