

# SHS: HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION

## SACRED HEART SCHOOL

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## OCTOBER



OCTOBER MARIGOLD

**September** sure flew by! It was a great month for reuniting with our Sacred Heart parents and students. The year has gotten off to a frenzied, excited and productive start. Already

parents are pitching in, students are working hard, and teachers are doing everything they can to meet the needs of each and every student.

**Back** to School Nights were once again successful nights of learning about our students' instructional program. Thank you to all the parents that attended these important evenings.

### Just a few "housekeeping" issues:

**We** love having our parents in the yard before school starts in the morning, however, we ask that parents remember the rule: when the 1<sup>st</sup> bell rings, please say good-bye to your children and leave the yard. This is true in both school yards.

**When** picking up students at dismissal, we ask

that ALL parents wait outside the yard for your student(s) to come to you. This allows the teachers to maintain order and eliminates the congestion in the yard at dismissal.

### October Values Infusion Theme:

#### SELF-ACCEPTANCE

Value Question: How do I SHARE my talents for the greater good?

Scripture: I Cor. 6:19

"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?"

## Student Attendance

Student Attendance is directly related to student achievement. It is extremely important that each student be at school on time every day. When a child is tardy they have missed the beginning routine in the classroom. The teacher needs to stop and try to catch the student up to where the rest of the class is thus disrupting the flow of the entire class. In addition, please be aware that tardies have a negative effect on a student's conduct grade. In the upper grades, it also impacts high school decisions. We will continue to host detention for students in grades 5 up who are tardy. We have been in school a little over a month and have yet to register a day without tardies. Lets make it our goal to get to school on time every day.



## DIABETES: The More You Know...

**Diabetes** is a chronic metabolic condition caused by the body's inability to break down glucose (sugars) and store them properly. When an individual's system is unable to efficiently process glucose, it will back up

in the person's bloodstream creating multiple health problems.

**Unfortunately**, several of our students are afflicted with this disease. If you are interested in learning more about the disease, in participating in a walk-a-thon, or in

making a contribution, please contact:

Mrs. Karina Roman:  
347 297 3607  
*American Diabetes Association*  
([diabetes.org](http://diabetes.org))

or

Ms. Iris Cosme-Lavergne:  
347 431 3968  
*Juvenile Diabetes Research*  
*Foundation (jdrf.org)*

## ITBS/CoGat Testing

ITBS: Iowa Tests of Basic Skills are achievement tests.

CoGat: Cognitive Abilities Test measures school readiness; it is also an assessment of mental ability. Reported as SAS (Standard Age Score).

Test results are used to assist in identifying students needing additional help.

You can help your child during these testing weeks by making sure he or she gets plenty of rest and eats a good breakfast before coming to school in the morning.

Please avoid scheduling doctor, dental or other appointments during this testing period.

Thank you for your cooperation!



## ILLNESS

Please keep your child home if he or she has any of the following symptoms:

- Fever, Sore throat, Pain and stiffness of neck and headache
- Swelling and tenderness of glands, especially neck glands
- Cough, if persistent and productive
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea and persistent abdominal pain
- Jaundice (yellowing of eyes or skin)
- Rash or any skin eruptions, particularly if red, swollen and draining
- Red or runny eyes, sneezing, or discharging nose

Following these guidelines will help prevent a child from developing possible complications and will help keep our school environment a healthy one. Please do not send your child back to school unless they are fever-free for 24 hours. We appreciate your cooperation



## 5 Ways to Help with Homework

1. Let your child know that homework is important
2. Set a regular time for homework, allowing for time to unwind
3. Help your child organize by checking folders, papers and planner
4. Spot check homework when complete
5. If a homework problem arises, contact the teacher for clarification



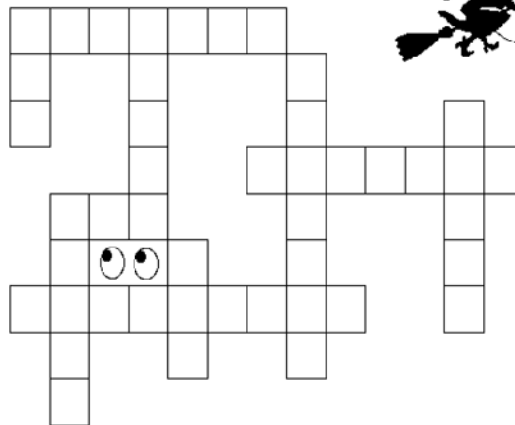
## This Month's Highlights

- October 6th - No Uniform Today (NUT)
- October 7th - Noon Dismissal
- October 11th - ITBS/CoGat Testing begins
- October 21st - Haunted Movie Night: Grades 4-6
- October 22nd - Family Halloween Party: Grade Pre-K - 3
- October 28th - Individual Pictures for all students:
- "Dress-Up Day"
- October 28th - Costume Halloween Dance: Grades 7 & 8
- October 31st - School Closed: Math Conference Day

### Halloween Crossword

Fit all the words into this puzzle below

CAT  
BAT  
BOO  
TREAT  
WITCH  
BLACK  
COSTUME  
PUMPKIN  
HAUNTED  
HALLOWEEN



## Educating The Whole Child

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### Mission Statement:

Sacred Heart School shares the commitment of all Catholic schools to “the development of the whole person.” Its primary mission is to make sure each child has learning experiences that instill positive attitudes and provide knowledge and skills necessary for their intellectual, emotional, spiritual and physical development. Sacred Heart is determined to create an academically challenging environment that encourages students be excellent, to be respectful of others, and to be responsible members of the community.

## STUDENT OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER GENEROSITY



### GENEROSITY

“true giving, is to those who can never repay you.”

If you give, you will get! Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use to give--large or small--will be used to measure what is given back to you.

Luke 6:38

#### PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN

- Derek Fernandez
- Nathaly Ortiz

#### FIRST GRADE

- Joshua Ruiz
- Elijah Cooper

#### SECOND GRADE

- Amaris Vargas
- Joycelyn Coral

#### THIRD GRADE

- Lissana Morales
- Leslie Llano

#### FOURTH GRADE

- Sabrina Martinez
- Nia Anderson

#### FIFTH GRADE

- Wilfredo Serrano
- Hadiyaa Bradshaw

#### SIXTH GRADE

- Carlton Evans
- Jalen Logan

#### SEVENTH GRADE

- Samaya Edwards
- Jennifer Adjivon

#### EIGHTH GRADE

- Emmanuel Paredes
- Wilson Lafontaine