

Saintly News

Weekly Update/January 2-5, 2024



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LUNCH					JANUARY 2024					St. Dominic																				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday																
1 NO SCHOOL	2 WG Chicken Quesadilla Refried Beans Green Peas Fruit	3 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	4 WG Breakfast Bagel Sandwich Tator Tots Fresh Vegetables Fruit	5 WG Cheesy Baked Ziti WG Breadstick Steamed Broccoli Fruit	6 NO SCHOOL	7 WG Hot Ham & Cheese Tomato Soup WG Crackers Lettuce Salad Fruit	8 Chicken Alfredo WG Penne Pasta WG Breadstick Steamed Broccoli Fruit	9 Hamburger on Cheeseburger on a WG Bun Baked Beans Fresh Vegetable w/ Dip Fruit	10 Chicken in Gravy Mashed Potatoes WG Roll Green Beans Fruit	11 WG Cheese Pizza Corn Fresh Vegetable w/ Dip Fruit	12 NO SCHOOL	13 WG Penne Pasta w/ Meat sauce & Shredded Mozzarella Cheese WG Breadstick Steamed Broccoli Fruit	14 WG Chicken Patty on a WG Bun Sweet Potato Fry Fresh Vegetable Fruit	15 Chicken Teriyaki WG Fried Rice Mixed Vegetables Stir Fry Vegetables Fruit	16 WG Soft Shell Beef Taco Toppings Refried Beans Corn Fruit	17 NO SCHOOL	18 NO SCHOOL	19 WG Deli Bagel Sandwich WG Sun Chips Fresh Vegetables w/ Dip Fruit	20 Korean Beef Bowl WG Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli Cucumber Slices Fruit	21 WG Sheet pan Pancake Cheesy Scrambled Eggs Hash brown Triangle Fresh Vegetable Fruit	22 NO SCHOOL	23 NO SCHOOL	24 Sloppy Joe on a WG Bun Sweet Potato Fries Quick Pickled Cucumbers Fruit	25 Wynn's Dessert Day! WG Chicken Quesadilla Refried Beans Peas Fruit Chocolate Cake	26 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	27 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	28 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	29 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	30 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit	31 WG Chicken Nuggets WG Italian Pasta Salad Green Beans Fruit

This institution is an equal opportunity
All menu items are subject to change without notice.

Winter NWEA MAP testing begins soon.

Dear St. Dominic School
Parent/Guardian,



During the next few weeks, your child will take a MAP® Growth™ test from NWEA® on an iPad (K-4) or a Chromebook (grades 5-8). Teachers will conduct testing sessions in the classroom. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students.

MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's knowledge. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of where your child is on their learning journey— regardless of whether they are on, above, or below their grade level.

Since MAP Growth tests provide immediate and accurate information about your child's learning, it's easy for teachers to identify students with similar scores in similar skills and topics and then plan instruction accordingly.

MAP Growth reports also provide typical growth data for students in the same grade and subject with the same starting performance level. Each school year, students in grades K-8 take the tests in Fall, Winter and Spring testing windows. Following each testing period, you will receive a Family Report showing a summary of how your child is performing academically.

We are truly excited to focus on your child's individual growth and achievement. For more information about MAP Growth, visit [NWEA.org/familytoolkit](https://www.nwea.org/familytoolkit).

Sincerely,

Shawn P Dudley

Shawn Dudley
Principal
St. Dominic. School

SAVE the DATES!

January has some important dates to add/keep on your Calendar.
More specific information is forthcoming about each of these events.

January 18, 2024
6:00-7:30 PM
Registration Information Evening
St. Dominic School

This is an evening for parents to learn more about 2024-2025 Tuition, Grant and Scholarship opportunities and parameters, programming and the Registration Process. More specific information is coming soon!!



January 28-February 2, 2024
Catholic Schools Week

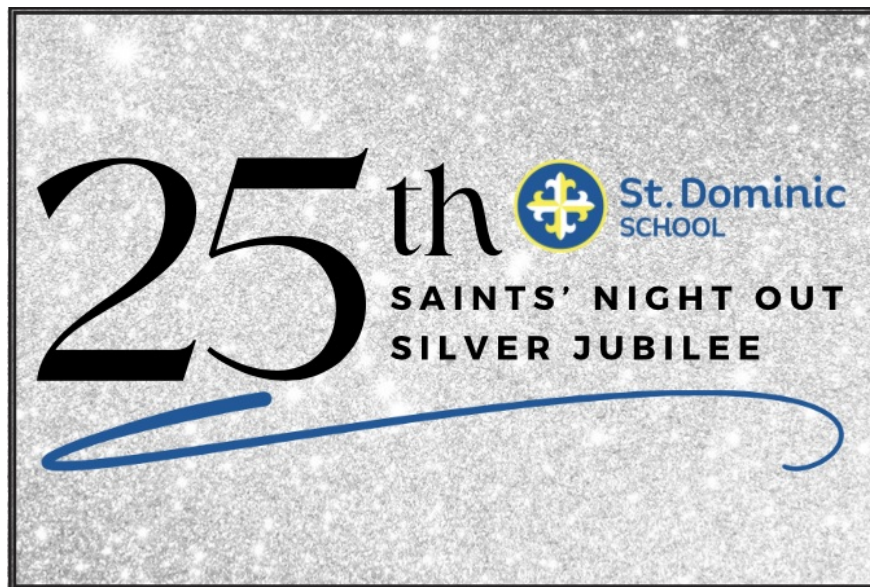
Each day will have a theme...more specific information soon!



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

January 28, 2024
Catholic Schools Week Kickoff
10:00 AM Mass
St. Dominic Church

This Mass will be led by St. Dominic School Students, Staff and Alumni



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

We will be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Saints' Night Out this coming year with a Silver Jubilee!

When: Saturday, March 16, 2024

Where: Armory Square Event Center (Downtown Northfield)

What: Evening of fun to celebrate and raise money for our school. Live & silent auction, food, drinks, games, music, camaraderie and so much fun!

More information will be sent home and posted on the website after the start of the new year regarding ticket sales, sponsorships, auction donations and more!

Saints' Night Out Classroom Ambassadors Needed!

We are looking for a parent volunteer from each classroom to serve as a Saints' Night Out Classroom Ambassador. You will help communicate information to the parents in

about Saints' Night On (SNO), help with the student's calendar as needed. You will receive 5+ volunteer hours for your help. If interested, please contact Sarah Bowles at sarahbowles@schoolofstdominic.org! (this position will be filled on a first come first serve basis).

January 2024 Calendar

January 3rd 8:20 AM
School Mass in Church

January 8th -25th
NWEA Winter MAP testing Window

January 10th 8:20 AM
School Mass in Church

January 15th
No School--MLK

January 18th 6:00-7:30 PM
St. Dominic School
2024-2025 Parent Registration Information Evening

Includes information about process, tuition, programming
More detailed information to come!

January 22nd and 23rd
No School for Students
Teacher Workdays

January 28th-February 2nd
Catholic Schools Week
More Information to come!

January 28th 10:00 AM
Catholic Schools Week Mass
led by St. Dominic School Students and Staff

January 29th 8:30 AM-1:45 PM
Mass of the Holy Spirit
Xcel Energy Center
St. Dominic School 6th, 7th and 8th grade students attend.

Aim Higher Grant

The deadline is February 23, 2024, to apply for the opportunity to receive an Aim Higher Scholarship. This year students at St. Dominic School received over \$14,000 in Aim Higher Grants!

Now is the time to apply for Financial Assistance for the 2024-2025 School Year for the Aim Higher Grant as well as other scholarship opportunities. **Apply though TADS.**

PreSchool and PreKindergarten families take note...you may apply for a tuition scholarship from AIM higher.

The deadline for applying for this awesome scholarship is February 23, 2024.

Click on the image below for more information about the Aim Higher Grant.



2024 Calendar Change

On Tuesday, November 28th, the St. Dominic School Board approved a calendar change. St. Dominic School will be commencing the Catholic School Study through the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. When successfully completed, next fall, St. Dominic School will be a nationally accredited school through The Catholic University of America Lumen Accreditation.

The extra days in the calendar will assist staff in conducting a thorough self-study. The process of continuous improvement is rigorous. It is exceedingly important that a thorough self-study yield a strategic plan which propels St. Dominic School into the future.

The Office for the Mission of Catholic Schools has shared that 3 full days of staff work without students is optimal when conducting the self-study/accreditation process.

Please contact me, **Shawn Dudley**, with any questions.

Click the image below for the revised 2023-2024 calendar.

Revised 23-24
St. Dominic School
2023-2024 REVISED CALENDAR

Month	2023	2024
August	1-31	1-31
September	1-30	1-30
October	1-31	1-31
November	1-30	1-30
December	1-31	1-31
January	1-31	1-31
February	1-29	1-29
March	1-31	1-31
April	1-30	1-30
May	1-31	1-31
June	1-30	1-30
July	1-31	1-31
August	1-31	1-31

Key events and holidays are marked throughout the calendar grid.



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