

# BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

## Home and School Association



### A NOTE FROM HOME AND SCHOOL:

If you have ever heard the words “Home and School” and “School Board” and wondered how they differ, you are not alone. It wasn’t until recently that I learned the roles each play at Blessed Sacrament School. While both require dedication and teamwork, they serve different purposes. The School Board works with school administration and our church pastor to identify the needs of our school community and meets those needs through creating and implementing policies. They review the school’s budget and help with financial planning. They recommend and implement new programs at our school. In a nutshell, they serve as an *advisory board*.

Home and School, on the other hand, is like a traditional parent teacher association in that our purpose is to bridge the gap between parents and the school faculty and administration; however, we are much more. Home and School is an *association* that not only fundraises to create social events for your families, but to pay for operational expenses, too. Through the creation of committees, we also provide support to our faculty and staff in the form of classroom support (art room helpers, room parents), hospitality (receptions for First Communion, Confirmation, etc.), recruitment (Meet the Irish, open houses), and showering our teachers with appreciation (Teacher Sunshine Committee) just to name a few.

Parents (and grandparents, too!), we greatly rely on your help to make these committees a success. Having served in various capacities over the years, from small support committees to larger fundraising events, I assure you that there is something for everyone. If you’re interested in knowing more about any of our committees or ways that you can become involved, please reach out. I’d love to hear from you.

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Megan Tatom, the Meet the Irish committee, and BSS staff hosted 37 prospective families for “Dive-In and Explore BSS”, this year’s Meet the Irish event on November 11th.

Thanksgiving luncheon volunteers and Shamrock Café staff served 900 delicious meals to our BSS families on November 19th, 22nd, and 23rd.

Room parents filled our halls and classrooms to provide our children the most wonderful Christmas parties this year on December 17th.

Megan Haubein and Leigh Baehner hosted the used uniform sales on January 10th during 2nd Quarter conferences. They raised \$1,000 for BSS. Wow! Thank you, parents, for your support.

On January 10th, our Food Fillers Committee provided snacks to BSS administration and staff for 2nd Quarter conferences.

Lila Duke and the Accelerated Reading Committee provided a “Movie and a Treat” to students who achieved their 2nd Quarter A/R reading goals on Friday, January 14th.

Thanks to Beverly Carson for arranging a sweet treat for our 2nd graders who received First Reconciliation on January 20th.

Thank you, Art Room Parents, for your support of our art program. Art Room Parents help to organize and tidy the art room throughout the year.

### UPCOMING DATES

#### JANUARY

- 29 Grounds Clean-up  
9 am—11 am
- 30 Catholic Schools Week begins
- 30 BSS Open House  
11 am—2 pm

#### FEBRUARY

- 10-12 H&S Auction
- 14 Valentine’s Day parties  
Grades PreK-4th
- 22 H&S Raffle Drawing

#### MARCH

- 1 Mardi Gras parties  
Grades 5th-8th
- 11 Family Bingo Night  
6 pm—8pm