

Lourdes Academy

FALL EDITION NEWSLETTER OF LOURDES ACADEMY

Fall Festival Brings Great Joy

This year, Lourdes Academy went big with our annual Fall Festival! With a special thanks to the parish for their help in participating, the event was a huge success! The event was well attended by students, parents, parishioners, teachers, staff and the greater community.

The trunk-or-treat attracted children from the local area to partake in receiving some treats! The trunk-or-treat "Frozen" theme took first prize!

A very special thank you to Lou Ann Cataneo, our HSA, and the many volunteers from the school and parish that worked to make this a fun event for our students. We can't wait for next year!

Can we go even bigger?? I think so!!



Upcoming Events

- Nov 24-27 Thanksgiving Break (NO SCHOOL)
- Nov 27 Commissioning Mass for Altar Servers 11AM
- Nov 30 Altar Server Training 3PM
- Dec 3 Fr. Lopez Entrance Exam
- Dec 21 Advent Program 8AM

8th Grade Goes To Fr. Lopez



On November 2nd, our eighth graders visited Fr. Lopez Catholic High School for their annual Preview Day. They joined students from other Catholic schools to tour campus, pray together as a community, sit-in on a class, and look into the many opportunities that FLCHS has to offer.

The best part of the day concluded with various games and a basketball game against the FLCHS "Potential Division I Prospects." The students held their own against the high school athletes, including a 3-pointer from Sierra Yelverton! Check out our Facebook page to see the video!

Lourdes Students Visit the VA

On November 9th, students from Lourdes visited the local VA hospital to wish Veterans a Happy Veterans Day and to thank them for their service to our country. Leading up to the visit, students school-wide collected items to make "Heroes Care Packages." With the collected supplies, students put together over 80 care packages!

The highlight of the visit for students was to take the time to speak with veterans and find out more about their story. Through their conversations, eighth graders discovered the many jobs that the military provides, what circumstances led each veteran to enter into the military, and the many places they traveled to during their time serving our nation. A very special thank you to Mrs. Barbara Hinebaugh for helping to coordinate the visit. Students cannot wait to visit again in the spring!



Interesting Facts



- The largest Air Force in the world is the U.S. Air Force. The second largest is the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, combined.
- The U.S. government is still paying one pension to the granddaughter of a Civil War veteran.
- 102 Pilgrims traveled aboard the Mayflower. It is estimated that one out of every ten Americans could be a blood relative of one of the original Pilgrims.

ECC Does Thanksgiving!

On Friday, November 18th, our ECC celebrated Thanksgiving! Students and their families joined together to celebrate and enjoy an early Thanksgiving meal together. The week prior, they collected \$200.00 to purchase turkeys for the local food pantry to serve those most in need this holiday! Well done, ECC!



Lourdes Student Government



Officers

- President, Sierra Yelverton
- Vice President, Taylor Marcinak
- Secretary, Julia-Nicole Ramblas
- Speaker, Annabelle Abrantes
- 5th Gr. Rep., Alexandra Defeo
- 6th Gr. Rep., Isis Sturm
- 7th Gr. Rep., Lillian-Alexis Ramblas
- 8th Gr. Rep., Alondra Andrade

This year, students expressed an interest in forming a student government in the middle grades. Under the direction of Mrs. O'Leary and Mr. Dole, the officers will meet regularly to schedule events, service opportunities, potential solutions to school-wide issues, and more! We look forward to witnessing your growth as we strive to make our school even better! Congratulations, officers!

Advent Program

Please join us on Wednesday, December 21st at 8AM as we celebrate Advent and the upcoming Christmas season! Students have been practicing each week in preparation for the Advent Program! All are welcome to join, as we will begin right after Morning Prayer!

