



November 2015

Dear Students and Parents,

November is the month we traditionally offer our thanks for the many blessings God has bestowed on us. My cup is overflowing and I would like to thank all the wonderful students of Resurrection for coming to school each day with a positive attitude, working hard to achieve your goals both in and out of the classroom, and for completing so many service projects! Our students are an amazing group of young women and I am so proud of the huge impact we make on the community.

I also want to thank our parents for their continued commitment to Catholic education. I thank God everyday for the huge financial sacrifice our parents make to send their daughter(s) to Res. We are truly grateful and your sacrifice is ever present in our minds as we work together to plan programs that meet the needs of our students.

In an effort to continually improve the quality of those programs, I am asking parents to complete a short online survey regarding the conferences. This is the first time we attempted to use **SignUpGenius** and would like some feedback on your experience using this site as well as any comments you might have regarding the organization of the conferences. Please follow this [link](#) to get to the survey and as always thank you for your input! **The survey will be open Monday, November 16, 2015.**

The **Aspire**, a standardized test created by the makers of ACT which assesses college and career readiness, was administered last spring to our current Sophomores and Juniors. The results are finally in and parents and students can view a comprehensive report online via SDS. Simply follow the directions in this [link](#). For more information regarding the interpretation of the scores follow this [link](#). If you have questions regarding these results, please contact Ms. Margaret Kinel, Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction at mkinel@reshs.org.

We have begun a new **Loyalty Program** this year. It is designed to increase student participation and reward those who attend our after school sponsored events. Points are awarded each time a student attends. When students have accumulated a total of 25 points, they will earn an out of uniform day, to be used on designated dates announced by the administration. Points vary based on the event and are as follows:

5 points - for attending an athletic game, fine arts performance, or other designated event at Resurrection

10 points - for attending a Res athletic contest at St. Pats (swim, water polo)

10 points - for attending special designated events at Resurrection

20 points - for attending an IHSA State Series athletic event (Regional, Sectional, State - if the game is away, you will have to sign in with a designated Res representative)

When arriving at the event, students will scan their ID or sign in. When they leave, students again scan their ID or sign out. When students have been in attendance for at least one hour, points are added to their loyalty account. Opportunities to gain these points are published on Schoology.

Our **Open House** on October 29th was a huge success! We had a large turnout of interested families who attended to tour our school and interact with teachers, coaches and administrators. We would like to thank our recruiters, Ms. O'Leary and Ms. Even for organizing the event and all of the parent volunteer who helped in numerous ways. We have one more Open House opportunity on **Sunday, November 8 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm**. Please share this date with any family and friends that might be interested in attending.

November is a very busy month - please note the following important events:

- **November 2 at 8:30 am** - We celebrated the annual **All Saints/All Souls Liturgy** at which we recognized the deceased members of our community. This mass is a beautiful way to remember all those that have gone before us. Scholarship presentations were made immediately following the mass.
- **November 8 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm - Open House** for prospective students and families.
- **November 12 at 7:00 pm - Junior ACT Parent Meeting** - The Guidance Department will present a College Planning meeting at 7:00 pm for Junior parents. Practice ACT results will be returned and Guidance staff will walk you through the various steps in the college planning process. This is a very important meeting so please plan on attending.
- **November 14 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm** - Our annual **Arts & Crafts Fair** will be held. Please plan on attending to purchase some unique gifts and get a jumpstart on your Christmas list.
- **November 18 at 6:00 pm - Fall Athletic Banquet** - We will celebrate our fall athletes and teams including: Cross Country, Golf, Swim, Tennis and Volleyball. Please note that all tickets must be purchased in advance online at <https://resurrection.8to18.com/accounts/login> using the same username and password you created when registering to participate for athletics.

- Join us on **November 21 at 7:00 pm; November 22 at 7:00 pm; or November 23 at 3:00 pm** for our presentation of the family favorite and classic musical ***Beauty and the Beast***. Our theatre department has been working for months and you will not be disappointed!

- **LOOKING FORWARD - IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER**
 - **Sunday, November 8** - Open House, 2:00 - 4:00 pm
 - **Tuesday, November 10** - Parents Club Meeting, 7:00 pm
 - **Friday, November 13** - No School, Veteran's Day Observed
 - **Tuesday, November 17** - Men's Club Meeting, 7:00 pm
 - **Wednesday, November 25** - Thanksgiving Break
 - **Monday, November 30** - Classes Resume

You can reach me by email at mhawk@reshs.org or calling 773.775.6616 Ext. 130. Until next time!

In Charity and Truth,

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