



Immaculate Conception School

January 11, 2018 Newsletter



IMPORTANT DATES/UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 12 Noon Dismissal (Faculty Professional Development)
- January 15 No School- Martin Luther King Day
- January 19 Dress Down Day and Hot Lunch
- January 28 Catholic Schools Week Opening Mass and Open House

FROM THE DESK OF MR. KAPPERMAN

Dear Parents,

Sacred Heart Academy will be hosting a Father/Daughter Bonding Day on Sunday, February 11th from 1:00-4:00 pm. The workshop for dads (or another important male figure) and daughters in grades 4-7 will feature workshops in communication, hands-on activities, and goal setting along with a keynote speaker. Register online at www.sacredheartacademy.org or contact the Sacred Heart Academy Admissions Office at 716-834-2102, extension 311.

There is an Easter Candy Sale informational flyer attached to my newsletter. Please review it. Thank you for your support of Immaculate Conception School through your support of this fundraiser.

The Nickels for Nails coin drive to support Habitat for Humanity was a huge success. I am very proud of the student council for taking the initiative on modeling the importance of service to others by hosting this event. I will let everyone know how much we raised once the coins are counted.

Our Lady of Black Rock School would also like to thank the families of Immaculate Conception School for the gorgeous dresses and sweaters that were donated to the less fortunate for Christmas. I have attached the thank you card to my newsletter so that you can see how appreciative the school was.

Please see the attached flyer from the BISON Children's Scholarship Fund for answers to several of the most frequently asked questions regarding the scholarship. If you know of a needy family I kindly ask that you pass the information along to them as well.

The Spring Play is just around the corner and I am working diligently to secure a play director. I believe the right person has been found and details will be shared as soon as we meet. Practices will begin shortly.

I hope you have a blessed and relaxing extended weekend!

Sincerely,


Scott C. Kapperman M.S., Ed.

ICS Principal



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Dear Parents,

Before we begin accepting applications from new families, we need to handle the enrollment of siblings of our present students and any Immaculate Conception families or those from nearby parishes.

Please enclose a check for \$30.00 and the bottom of this form in an envelope and **return it to our school office no later than Wednesday, JANUARY 24, 2018.**

Sincerely,


Scott C. Kapperman M.S., Ed.
ICS Principal

Please return this portion of the form and your application fee.

**APPLICATION FORM
2018-2019 School Year**

Family Name: _____
Please Print

_____ **Yes, we have a child for Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year.**

Child's Full Name

Date of Birth

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Dear Parents,

We hope you are planning to remain part of our school community. Your prompt response to this request will enable us to proceed with plans for next year regarding the enrollment of new students and the ordering of textbooks and supplies.

For every child being **re-enrolled** for the **2018-2019** school year, there is a **\$30.00 non-refundable fee PER CHILD**, which must be paid at the time of re-enrollment. Please enclose a check and the bottom of this form in an envelope and **return it to our school office no later than FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018.**

Sincerely,


Scott C. Kapperman M.S., Ed.
ICS Principal

Please return this portion of the form and your re-registration check.

**RE-ENROLLMENT FORM
2018-2019 School Year**

Family Name: _____
Please Print

Name(s) of student(s) presently attending ICS:

Present Grade(s):

Please use the back of this form to let us know if you have made any telephone (including cell), address, parish, and/or school district changes that you have not informed us about.

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ICS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1st, 2018

Please select only 1 option for your child by checking the appropriate box
Each child needs their own sheet turned into the ICS office
no later than Thursday Jan 25th
along with a signed ICS Permission Slip and Ice Rink Waiver if applicable
(both attached).

Print Child's First and Last Name

Grade

Parent Signature

Date

ICE SKATING
Healthy Zone Rink

Or

GAMES & CRAFTS
Boys & Girls Club of EA

Children will be walking from ICS to the rink chaperoned by parent volunteers for skating.

Children will be walking from ICS to the Club chaperoned by parent volunteers.

Will your child need to rent skates?
Yes _____ No _____

Shoe size _____

Please circle if size is Adult or Childrens

If renting skates, please include \$3 in cash (exact amount please, no change will be given) in an envelope labeled with your child's name, grade and SKATE RENTAL.

It is strongly recommended that your child wear a bike/ski/hockey helmet during the skating event.

Office Use Only

Skate Rental *Circle if Paid* \$3

Comments/Notes _____

PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Parent or Legal Guardian:

Your son/daughter, guardianship, is eligible to participate in the field trip sponsored by Immaculate Conception School. These activities will take place under the guidance and supervision of employees and volunteers from Immaculate Conception School. A brief description is as follows:

Event/Location : Aurora Classic Rink Boys and Girls Club (Please check destination)

Date and Time of Departure: Thursday, February 1, 2018 – 12:30 p.m.

Date and Time of Return: Thursday, February 1, 2018 – 2:30 p.m.

Designated Chaperones: Mr. Kapperman and Teachers

Method of Transportation: Walking

If you would like your child to participate in this event, please complete, sign and return the following statement of consent and release of liability and medical release information. As a parent, legal guardian, you remain fully responsible for any legal responsibility that may result from actions taken by the named student.

LIABILITY RELEASE

I/We recognize and acknowledge that there are risks in my child's presence and participation in the above mentioned event. I agree to indemnify, hold harmless, waive and relinquish all claims I may have against Immaculate Conception School and the Diocese of Buffalo including any negligence claims on their part and its officers, agents, employees, representatives or volunteers arising out of the transportation to and / or from the event, or in connection with any claims arising out of or caused by any activity my child participates in during the event.

MEDICAL RELEASE

Our permission is hereby given to the representatives of Immaculate Conception School to authorize by his/her signature, whatever medical or surgical treatment may be considered necessary in the event of an accident or medical emergency in which the parent or guardian cannot be reached. It is understood that every attempt to reach the parent or guardian will be made. If the physician below cannot respond, I authorize any licensed physician or medical center to treat the student designated below.

Student

Parents' Name/Signature

Address

Telephone Number

Emergency Contact/ Telephone Number

Primary Care Physician/Phone number

Health Insurance Company/Plan #/ID #

Allergies, Reactions or other pertinent medical information:



Immaculate
Conception School

**SUNDAY
JANUARY 28**

10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

510 Oakwood Ave, East Aurora

Open House!



- Over 100 years of quality education
- Open to children of all faiths
- Kindergarten through 8th Grade
- State-of-the-art Science and Computer Labs
- STREAM activities in everyday learning
- Gym, Art, Library, and Music
- After-school Sports and Clubs
- Busing provided by local school districts

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BISON

CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Giving Parents a Choice • Giving Children a Chance

FAQ FOR FAMILIES

More detailed information can be found on our website at www.bisonfund.com

Who qualifies for a BISON Scholarship?

Residents of the 8 counties of WNY with children entering K-8th grade with a total family income within the eligibility scale (details online). You may only apply for your biological or legal guardian children.



How do new families apply?

New families must complete a Pre-Application Form electronically (online) on our website at www.bisonfund.com. The new family deadline is February 28, 2018. Preference is NOT given to early applications; however you must apply by 2/28 to be considered for the lottery. Families applying after the February 28th deadline will be placed on our waitlist.

How are BISON scholarship recipients chosen?

Scholarships are awarded using a lottery from all submitted Pre-Application Forms in March 2018. Lottery winners will receive an email with a link directing them to complete a full application in order to receive the scholarship.

How do I know if I won the lottery?

All applicants will be notified of lottery results by email in March 2018.

I received a Scholarship award email ... now what?

In your award email, there will be a link that will take you where you need to go to complete your Full Application. Click on the link and follow the application steps. The deadline to complete the application is April 30, 2018. Please be sure to include all your income sources including your FEDERAL 1040 tax return, child support, business income, public assistance, food stamps, Social Security income, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation and financial assistance from family & friends. Select your school (a complete list can be found on our website) and contact the school to complete the School Commitment Form. After receipt of all the required documents, your scholarship will be calculated based on your household size and income, as well as tuition amount. You must requalify annually to continue with BISON.



I received an email that I'm on a waitlist ... now what?

Unfortunately, there are always more applicants than available funding. We keep waitlist names for the academic year hopeful that additional funding becomes available. If you are not taken off the waitlist, you will need to resubmit a Pre-Application next year to be considered.



Why do families have to pay part of the tuition?

One key component of educational success is parental involvement. Making a financial sacrifice is a strong incentive to becoming and remaining involved. BISON scholarships are a hand-up, not a hand-out. BISON families are required to pay a minimum of \$500 each year.

What if I am not satisfied with my child's school?

You are free to transfer your student to another private school. Your scholarship will transfer with you unless you are delinquent with tuition payments or a child is asked to leave. Contact the BISON Fund office if you decide to transfer and we will walk you through the next steps.

Can the scholarship be used for Pre-K or High School?

No. Children must be at least 5 years old by 12/21/18 and entering kindergarten through 8th grade to be eligible for a BISON scholarship.





BISON

CHILDREN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Giving Parents a Choice • Giving Children a Chance

A private scholarship fund providing tuition assistance for low-income families in the 8 counties of Western New York who want to enroll their children in private schools.

BISON Scholarship Quick Facts:

- Average scholarship \$1,300
- Max scholarship \$2,100
- Currently BISON has over 1,800 scholars in 70 different private elementary schools in Western New York.
- Each family must contribute toward their child's private education.

step one

Complete a **pre-application online at bisonfund.com** between January 1 - February 28. If you have any questions, you can call BISON at (716) 854-0869 ext. 1.

step three

If selected, complete the full application online. Enroll your children in the school of their choice and ask the school to complete the School Commitment Form.

step two

Watch for notification after the **BISON Lottery** is held in March. Winners are notified by email and wait-listed families are also notified.

step four

Once all the steps are completed, BISON will notify you of your scholarship amount. Watch for notices to annually renew your BISON Scholarship in February.



BISON Contact Information:

Cindy McDonald, Program Director (program questions)
Amy Popadick, Executive Director (fundraising questions)

(716) 854-0869 ext. 1 | cmcdonald@bisonfund.com
(716) 854-0869 ext. 3 | apopadick@bisonfund.com

Dear Sr. Judy and
Immaculate Conception
parish family,

On behalf of the
Our Lady of Black Rock
school children, I want
to thank you! Each
year the girls pick an
"Angel Dress" for their
Christmas program. They
get to keep the dress.
I cannot tell you the

joy on their faces.

This year we expanded
to providing sweaters
for the boys.

Thank you from the
bottom of my heart for
your generosity in
providing so many
beautiful dresses and
sweaters.

You made Christmas
so much brighter for
the children.

Gratefully,
Marian Canche