



IMPORTANT DATES

October

1 TADS 21-22
Tuition Assistance
Opens

7 Living Rosary

School Mass

9 Noon Dismissal

Uniform Exchange
2:00-6:00 PM

12 School Closed
Columbus Day

19-23 Book Fair

30 School Closed

November

2 Winter Uniforms

3 School Closed
Election Day

4 Mass

6 Noon Dismissal

End of 1st Quarter

Important Calendar Updates/Changes

Listed below are important calendar updates and changes that need to be noted on the calendar you received in your back-to-school packet:

Uniform Exchange – date changed to Friday, October 9 – 2:00-6:00 PM

Book Fair – dates changed to October 19-16

Fall Festival – Friday, October 16 -Cancelled

Halloween Dance/Parties – Cancelled (We are working on a party option for all students.)

Turkey Trot – Saturday, November 14 – Cancelled

Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, December 12 – Cancelled

Choir Concert – Tuesday, December 15 – Cancelled

In-School Choir/Band Concert – Thursday, December 17 – Cancelled

Band Concert – Thursday, December 17 (We are waiting to hear if there will be a virtual band concert.)



Please add the following school closures to the calendar as Father Swink has granted Pastor holidays for additional days off at Christmas:

Monday, December 21 and Tuesday, December 22 – School Closed

HSA & Volunteer News

I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to all of you for offering to help wherever we have a need. We are certainly blessed to be in this together! Track It Forward is officially updated, and all new families should have received email invitations over the weekend. If you haven't, please send an email to trackitforward@archbishopnealeschool.org and we will get you set up.

Please go to the website, click on "events" and start praying about where God might be calling you to help out. Any and all time you can offer is absolutely wonderful. Please be aware that there are several volunteer opportunities available even if you can't come into the school or you work a full-time job elsewhere. It takes a village to keep ANS so vibrant!

If you ever have any questions or have ideas of what the HSA can help with, please do not hesitate to reach out! We will be rescheduling the meeting at a later date, so please keep an eye out for that. If you haven't already, please be sure to join our Facebook page: "Archbishop Neale School HSA"!

Prayerfully,
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Tuition Assistance 2021-2022

TADS Financial Aid and Assessment will manage the application and assessment process for the Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program. **Applications for the 2021-2022 Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance opens on Thursday, October 1. The deadline for applications to be submitted is Friday, December 4 for current families.**

Here are the steps to apply:

- Log onto secure.tads.com
- Log into your account using the email and password already provided when you registered your child(ren)
- Click on the financial aid tab

If you need additional assistance, call the Parent Help Line at 1-800-477-8237. You must apply on TADS to be eligible for any additional assistance available through the school.

Uniform Exchange

There will be a uniform exchange on Friday, October 9 from 2:00-6:00 PM. Parents will be able to purchase winter uniform items that will be required for students as of November 2.

Winter Uniforms

Beginning Monday, November 2, all students in Grades 1-8 are to wear the winter uniform. Boys' pants and sweaters and girls' sweaters, skirts and jumpers must be purchased from Flynn & O'Hara, Lands' End, The Carousel, or at the uniform exchange. Sneakers, high heels, boot-type shoes and skateboarding shoes are not permitted with the winter uniform (Please refer to the uniform guidelines concerning shoes). Students will no longer be allowed to wear the gym shorts once the winter uniform goes into effect. PreK and Kindergarten students must wear the winter gym uniform to school daily. The school has sweatpants, sweatshirts and gym shirts available for purchase. Order forms were sent home in mid-September.



2019-2020 Yearbooks

Books went home with those who placed orders on September 8. Virtual learners may call the school to arrange a time to pick up their yearbooks. We have extra copies of the yearbook available for purchase. The cost is \$35. Payment can be made via cash or check (payable to ANS). Please contact the office to purchase a copy.



Book Fair – Date Change

The in-school Book Fair has been rescheduled to October 19-23. On-line shopping will be from October 14 through October 27. You can visit the book fair home page for all the information you need to participate. We will only be accepting checks or eWallet for purchases – no cash! Shipping is free on book purchases only of \$25 or more. Books can be shipped to either school or your home. More information will be forthcoming.



Child Protection Compliance

All volunteers who come in contact with children must complete all the ADW Child Protection Compliance requirements. These requirements include:

- Completing the volunteer application and returning it to the school office where it will be retained on file.
- Log on to www.virtusonline.org to begin the registration process. During the online registration, please read the Pastoral Code of Conduct and Contact with Minors.
- Schedule attendance at a Protecting God's Children training workshop. These workshops are being offered virtually. You can sign up for a class through your VIRTUS account. Only those who are registered in VIRTUS will get an invite to the session by email. An email will be sent one day prior with ZOOM instructions, Protecting God's Children workbook and an electronic copy of the policy book.
- Read the Child Protection Policy booklet. Sign and return the acknowledgement page to the school no later than 30 days following the workshop.
- Obtain a copy of the Livescan Pre-Registration Application form. Take the completed form, along with a valid form of government ID, to the Charles County Sheriff's Office located at 11110 Mall Circle. You must call 301-609-6438 to make an appointment for fingerprinting. Present the Livescan application form, which has the ADW authorization number, to be used for both State and FBI. Return a copy of your fingerprint receipt to the school office.

If you do not complete this requirement, your account will be inactivated and you will not be able to volunteer. This also includes participation as a chaperone for field trips.