



St. Coletta Day School of Milwaukee

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Weekly Update: 02/24/2021

DATES TO REMEMBER / CALENDAR REMINDERS -

- February 26: No School - Teacher work day
- March 12: No School - Teacher work day
- March 12: Yearbook orders due to St. Sebastian office
- March 26: No School - Teacher work day
- April 1: iPad Drop off - 3:45PM to 5:00PM

STUDENT JOB LIST (3-1-2021 thru 3-12-2021)

- Meeting Leader - Sadie
- Calendar Reporter - Khloe
- Weather Reporter - Janay
- Lunch Reporter - CJ
- Spanish Word of the Day - Dominik
- Job Helper - Austin



STUDY HALL

As an effort to continually improve virtual learning, the teachers added optional study hall time to your student's schedule. There are opportunities a few times a week for your student to join a google meet and work on either their reading and math work or work on some of their asynchronous assignments. Students should join the call at 1:00 and plan to stay on till 2:00. They should be ready to work on assignments on their TO-DO list and receive assistance from their teacher where needed. This time is optional and students should join if they need extra help. Please reach out to your classroom teachers if you have questions about the optional study halls.

Monday			
8:00-8:30	Start your day		
8:30-9:30	Homeroom/Morning Meeting	Homeroom	assignments in TO-DO list
9:30-10:45	Reading Class	Ms. Traci's Reading Group	assignments in TO-DO list
10:45-11:00	Bathroom Break		
11:00-12:00	Math Class	Ms. Courtney's Math Group Cookie	assignments in TO-DO list
12:00-1:00	Lunch Break		
1:00-2:00	Optional Study Hall	Study Hall	
1:00-1:30	Vocational Work	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
1:30-2:00	Monday ELA	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
2:00-2:30	Monday Social Studies	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
2:30-3:30	Read Aloud/End of Day Meeting	Read Aloud/Afternoon Meeting	assignments in TO-DO list
Tuesday			
8:00-8:30	Start your day		
8:30-9:30	Homeroom/Morning Meeting	Homeroom	assignments in TO-DO list
9:30-10:45	Reading Class	Ms. Traci's Reading Group	assignments in TO-DO list
10:45-11:00	Bathroom Break		
11:00-12:00	Math Class/	Ms. Courtney's Math Group Cookie	assignments in TO-DO list
12:00-1:00	Lunch Break		
1:00-2:00	Optional Study Hall	Study Hall	
1:00-1:30	Vocational Work	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
1:30-2:00	Tuesday Vocab/Lang Moby Max	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
2:00-2:30	Tuesday Science Moby Max	See Google Classroom	TO-DO list
2:30-3:30	Read Aloud/End of Day Meeting	Read Aloud/Afternoon Meeting	assignments in TO-DO list

iPAD DROP OFF - APRIL 1, 2021 FROM 3:45pm TO 5:00PM

As we get closer to our Spring Break, we will make arrangements once again to collect the student iPads for updating and cleaning. That will be Thursday, April 1 for iPad drop-off. **NO FOOLING!!** Plan on dropping off your student's iPad between 3:45-5:00. Once again, we will have someone outside (weather permitting) to collect the iPad, charger and cord. Please have those items in the dark blue bag that we provided for you. It helps us to keep the iPads organized and easily identified. We will let you know when you will be able to retrieve the iPad so that you have it for school on Monday, April 12.

OUR PLAN FOR 4th QUARTER

I know that many of you have questions about what is going to happen during our upcoming 4th Quarter. Every answer I come up with is complicated... very complicated. I wish that we had easy solutions but we don't. Our teaching team and staff are currently working 40+ hours each week to make sure that Virtual Learning is successful.

Here are the steps taken so far...

- Communication and collaboration with our host school
- Communication with the Milwaukee Health Department
- Writing a Reopening plan that is consistent with St. Sebastian

Here's what I know...

- The St. Coletta staff is doing an amazing job with Virtual Learning
- Students are learning, participating and attending school
- People are experiencing CoVID fatigue... students, parents, families and staff
- We need to make sure that it is safe to return to in-person instruction
- The Milwaukee Health Dept. will need to approve a Reopening Plan
- Vaccines for staff will be available eventually
- Vaccines for students will be available eventually
- Number of confirmed cases in the city are going down

Here's what I don't know...

- When will vaccines for staff and students be available
- When will vaccines for students be available
- When will teachers be able to prep classrooms for in-person instruction
- How will we pay the teaching team for extra hours to ready their rooms
- When will we have the necessary equipment for the classrooms
- When will staff training happen prior to in-person
- What are the logistics for returning to the building safely
- What will transportation look like

What I don't know outweighs what I do know. St. Sebastian has a system in place that we will need to follow once we are able to adapt for our needs. Remember two things... Change is difficult and we are all stronger together!

ATTENDANCE

We are in the process of making some changes in our attendance policy and procedure. When it is finalized, you will receive a copy.

It is also important to remind everyone that all absences due to an appointment will be recorded as an unexcused absence/tardy **until** an “excuse for school” is provided from the health provider (ie. Doctor, Dentist, Therapist etc.). Once “an excuse for school” from the health provider is on file, the absence will be updated to an excused absence/tardy.

Per our Board approved Attendance Policy and the State of WI a student who is absent from school for part or all of five or more days on which school is held, **without an acceptable excuse**, is considered a habitual truant [WI Statute, Section 118.16(1)(a)].

THANK YOU!

A Huge Thank you to all the families who were able to contribute to our "Classroom Auction Basket" for the St. Sebastian School Auction Fundraiser. Because of your generosity we were able to contribute two baskets that raised a total of \$260.00 for our host school.

YEARBOOK ORDERS - DUE BY FRIDAY, MARCH 12th, 2021

Yearbook order blanks will be sent out in the mail this week. The price is \$14. **Orders are due to the St. Sebastian school office by March 12th!** Cash or checks/money orders **payable to St. Sebastian School**.

Inspiration: "The most difficult thing is the decision to ACT, the rest is merely tenacity." –Amelia Earhart