



Angelo Catholic School Newsletter

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Highlights of the first weeks of school

August 19 – First day of School

August 28 – Welcome Back to School Mass on Elementary Campus with Bishop Pfeifer

August 31 to September 4 – ITBS Testing

September 4 – Early Dismissal (12:30 Primary Campus; 12:45 Elementary Campus)

September 7 – No school in observance of Labor Day Holiday

WELCOME TO THE MAGICAL, MYSTICAL KINGDOM OF GOD WHERE ALL ARE WELCOME, AND ALL ARE WINNERS!

Communication Envelope—What is this?

The white envelope is our way to communicate to you all the information and upcoming events at ACS. Every Wednesday, this folder, filled with the ACS newsletter and any other fliers or handouts, will be sent home with the oldest child attending ACS. Please REMOVE all contents, SIGN and return to school the next day. If your child does not return the folder to his/her teacher by the following Wednesday, a \$3.00 fee will be assessed for the replacement envelope.

Jeans and T-Shirt Day

This year is a pilot program for jeans and ACS T-Shirts every Thursday (unless notified differently); therefore, students (and teachers/staff) may wear jeans (denim shorts to the knee, denim skirts to the knee, denim capris) tomorrow.

Before/After School Handbook and Registration Card

The Before/After School Care Program Handbook can be found on our website (www.angelocatholicschool.org). The Before/After School Registration Card is in the Communication Envelope. Any parent/guardian who might use the After School Program for the student at any time this year MUST complete the Registration Card for each child in the program. The Card and the last page of the Handbook must be returned with a \$1 registration fee/student. The After School students must be picked up by 5:30 p.m.

Booster Cards

The sale of ACS Booster Cards will result in that amount being deducted from your tuition. If you have paid in full, the money may be applied to lunch or After School Care. Inside this Communication Envelope are ten ACS Booster Cards. Please return the cards or return the money. Remember, you do NOT have to purchase the cards. But return them, please, if you do not intend to sell them. Should you sell ten and want more to sell, please let us know. There is no limit to how many you can sell to apply to tuition.

Bishop's Fourth Annual Golf Tournament

The Bishop's Fourth Annual Golf Tournament to benefit Catholic Education will be September 19 at Quicksand. For more information, see the flyer in the Communication Envelope.

2008-2009 Yearbooks are in

If you ordered and paid for a yearbook, it is included in this Communication Envelope. If you did not order one, there are some extras, but they will go fast, so talk to the office fast!!!! **Kudos to Connie Rios, mother of Eric, 3rd grade, and Jessica, 6th grade, for a fabulous yearbook.**

Tardy/Absent Students

If your child will be tardy to school (arrive after 7:55 am on the Primary Campus or after 8:00 am on the Elementary Campus) or be absent, please contact the school office before 8:30 am. If the office has not received a phone call by 10:00 am, you will be contacted. **Any student who is tardy and has not notified the office by 8:30 am will need to bring a sack lunch to school.**

Birthday

On their birthday or half-birthday (six months from birthday for those born in the summer!!!), students may have a free dress day.

Lunch

Parents are encouraged to eat with their children during scheduled lunch time. Please let the office know by 8:30 am if your child will be late to school, but needs to order a lunch. Also, let the office know by 8:30 a.m. if a visiting parent would like to order a lunch. We order only what is turned in, so if you do not order and show up expecting to eat, one of our children or teachers may have to go hungry. Per the handbook, please refrain from bringing fast food to the cafeteria. (In case of an emergency, fast food transferred to a brown bag is preferable.)

Website

Please visit our website at www.angelocatholicsschool.org to view our monthly and yearly calendar, menus, school supply lists, handbooks, and other important information pertaining to this school year.

Visitors on the Campus

For the safety of our students, all campus doors will be locked promptly after the tardy bell. Teachers and staff are not allowed to open any outside doors during school hours. If you are visiting the campus during school hours, please sign in at the office and wear a visitor sticker.

Oops!!! Letters

All students are required to adhere to the same uniform standard. Any student out of the proper uniform will receive an Oops letter (a friendly notification that the child was not following dress code).

Office Hours

The Elementary Campus office is open from 7:30 a.m. – 4: 00 p.m. The Primary Campus office hours are from 7:30 a.m. – 3: 30 p.m.

Ethics and Integrity

Per the Diocese of San Angelo, any adult who volunteers with children in the Diocese is required to complete a Background Check application through the Diocese (forms are available in both campus offices) and attend an Ethics and Integrity Workshop. Call either campus office (Elementary @ 655-3325 or Primary @ 949-1747) for more information.

Service Hours

As mentioned in the tuition contracts, every ACS Family is required to volunteer 20 service hours during the school year. Please call either office for advice about how you can volunteer!

Box Tops

Angelo Catholic School participates in the Box Tops for Education Program. Your help is needed. Clip Box Tops from participating products, attach them to collection sheets marked with your child's grade/teacher, and turn them into the office. The class from each campus with the most box tops will win a prize at the end of the year.