

9/12/07

Welcome back to the new school year. I hope the relaxation of summer gives us all a refreshed spirit to start this year.

Starting the year

To start this school year Mrs. Bond and I have tried to focus our community on prayer. Through our discussions with the Campus Ministry team and Diocesan meetings we have been informed that this is something that Bishop Lestecki is promoting. He wants everyone throughout the Diocese to work on improving their prayer life. We will follow our Bishop's lead and try to increase our efforts to help our students take time to pray in a quality way. Through these efforts we hope to make the Assumption Community a community of prayer.

New Teachers

Most of you were informed this past summer that Mr. Chris Ewan, Mr. Alan Glinski, and Mrs. Marcia Jahnke have joined the Assumption faculty. We also need to welcome Mrs. Sylvia Becker. Mrs. Becker will be using her extensive background and love for her native language as she teaches our students Spanish. We welcome back Ms. Maggie Voelker. Ms. Voelker is an Assumption and Marquette alum. She will be teaching Religion, and she is part of the Campus Ministry Team with Father Tim Welles and Ms. Katie Devitt.

Welcome Foreign Exchange students

Assumption High School is happy to welcome eight foreign exchange students this school year. We have three students from South Korea: Woo Sung Jeong, Ju Yeon Ko, and Hye Jun Kwon. Tszu Sum Yu is visiting us from Hong Kong. Patrick Gjertsen has traveled from Norway. Michelle Falkesgaard is our guest from Denmark, and Anais De Luca is a Belgian national who lives in France. We are thrilled that these eight students have chosen to enroll at Assumption.

Royal Cards

Please encourage your son or daughter to sell as many Royal Cards as possible. This fundraiser will help each class's fund. The more Royal Cards that are sold, the more money classes have for homecoming, prom, Golden Mass, etc.

Some Calendar items

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| 1. Benefactors' Dinner | September 22, 2007 |
| 2. Homecoming Week | September 24-29, 2007 |
| 3. Living Rosary | October 10, 2007 |
| 4. Parent / Teacher Conferences | October 24 and 25, 2007 |
| 5. AHS Christmas Concert | December 3, 2007 |
| 6. Golden Mass | December 21, 2007 |
| 7. Christmas Break | December 24, 2007 – January 1, 2008 |
| 8. First Semester Exams | January 22-24, 2008 |

Take some time for prayer with your family. Prayer and family always go together.

God's Grace be With You,

Thomas Philip Reichenbacher
Principal

Senior only section below

Graduation Time?

Enclosed with this letter you should find a survey regarding the time of graduation. The time that receives the majority of the votes will become our graduation time. Please return these surveys on Tuesday night, August 29, during the locker drop off.

Scholarships

With the rising cost of postsecondary education it is important that students do their best to defray the cost of college or technical schools.

Mr. O'Donnell and I have spent a long time talking about this; we truly believe that all students have the potential to apply for and be offered scholarship money.

What does it take? Effort.

1. Seniors need to stop in Mr. O'Donnell's office to find out what scholarships are available to them.
2. Seniors need to research the universities and colleges they are interested in to see what scholarships are available through the schools.
3. Seniors need to take the time to complete quality applications.

I tell students this, "If you take ten hours applying for ten scholarships, and you receive one \$1000 scholarship, you just earned \$100 dollars an hour." Please, encourage your son or daughter to spend time with Mr. O'Donnell, to look through all of the information they have on potential universities and colleges, and to apply for any scholarship in which they are qualified. The top three students in the class do not simply receive all of the scholarships, but the students who apply for the most scholarships always earn more scholarship money than those students who do not apply at all.