



Muskegon Catholic Central School Gr. 7-12 Aug.-Sept.2016 Newsletter

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August 15, 2016	7-12 School Office Opens, M-Th., 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
August 16-17, 2016	Used Textbook Sale, 6-8 p.m., Room 162
August 24, 2016	MANDATORY 7-12 Student Orientation and School Pictures
August 29, 2016	First FULL Day of School – Uniforms NOT required thru 9/1
September 2-5, 2016	No School – Labor Day Holiday
September 6, 2016	Classes Resume – School Uniforms REQUIRED
September 9, 2016	K-12 Back to School Mass, Cioe Gym – All Welcome!
September 11-12, 2016	Senior Retreat
September 23, 2016	School Picture Retakes
September 26-30, 2016	SPIRIT Week
September 28, 2016	Academic Excellence Award Prayer Service @ 9:30 am
September 29, 2016	Freshmen Retreat
September 29, 2016	7-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences
September 30, 2016	Homecoming

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents,

With the start of the new school year right around the corner, I would like to welcome all of the new families to Muskegon Catholic Central, along with welcoming back our returning families. I hope you have enjoyed your summer and are ready for your child to embark on a new school year. I feel very fortunate to be working with such a great group of students, families, and staff members.

As the school year ended, I have reflected on the year and have thought hard about what truly sets Muskegon Catholic Central apart from other school systems. We have high academic standards with rigorous classes, small class sizes, parent and alumni support, and many athletic opportunities with great success. But most importantly it is our Catholic background, our background of faith. With this in mind, this year the middle school and high school will focus specifically on *Being a Servant in Christ* and what this means.

The beginning of every school year is an exciting time. A tremendous amount of energy goes into the start of the year, on behalf of all of us – parents, students, teachers, and administrators. We all want to start it right, to give students the best possible beginning to help them make it a successful, productive, and enjoyable year. This year we will start our year off with a Faith.Moving.Forward. Middle School and High School **MANDATORY** Orientation Day on Wednesday, August 24, 2016. More information will be sent in an additional mailing to you in the coming weeks.

If you would like to contact me, my email address is agrinnell@muskegoncatholic.org. You can also reach me by phone at Muskegon Catholic Central, 231.755.2201 extension 320.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Ms. Allison Grinnell, 7-12 Principal

Academic Excellence and Catholic Identity



Used Text Book Sale

Used textbooks should have already been turned in to the 7-12 School Office for them to be included in the used textbook sale. If you still have textbooks at home they **MUST** be turned in to the 7-12 School Office **NO LATER than Monday, August 8, 2016** for them to be included in the sale. If they are turned in later than Monday, August 5, 2016 there is no guarantee that they will be included in the sale. **The sale is scheduled for Tuesday, August 16 and Wednesday August 17, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. in room 162.** Please review the enclosed booklist and other pertinent information regarding the purchase of textbooks and supplies. You will be able to order textbooks on-line from the School Office if needed during this time.



School Office and Counseling Office Hours of Operation

Beginning, Monday, August 15, 2016 the 7-12 School Office and the Counseling Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The School Offices will be closed on Friday's. If you need to make an appointment with the Counselor, please call Kelly Morell, Counseling Office Administrative Assistant to schedule an appointment at 231-755-2201 x336 or email kmorell@muskegoncatholic.org.

Beginning Monday, August 29, 2016 the School Office and the Counseling Office will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Thursday, September 1, 2016. All offices will be closed on Friday, September 2, 2016.



MANDATORY

Back to School Student Orientation and School Pictures

Wednesday, August 24, 2016 – More information will be mailed to you the week of August 7, 2016.

First Day of School & School Uniform Timeline

The first day of school is Monday, August 29, 2016. This will be a full day of classes and Food Service will begin this day as well.

The first week of school, August 29-Sept.1, 2016 are non-dress code days. Students are to be dressed neat, clean, and modestly. Students are expected to follow the general rule of dress, such as NO sleeveless tops/dresses, crop tops; and shorts must have a minimum six-inch inseam. NO YOGA PANTS or SWEATPANTS - parents please help us maintain this standard. Beginning Tuesday, September 6, 2016, all students are to be in their full Sunshine uniform. The first Mass of the year is Friday, September 9, 2016. All students **MUST** be in their Mass day attire. Please see the enclosed school uniform requirement list and ordering information.

School View our Calendar

In an effort to streamline communication about the day to day school activities, I'm happy to share that MCC again has a Google calendar that you can access by clicking on the link below:

http://muskegoncatholic.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=86&Itemid=191

The activity Google calendar currently includes all District, 7-12, and PK-6 school building usage, school events, meeting, etc. If you do not want to see **ALL** of the calendar events, all you have to do is deselect the calendars you do not wish to see. For example if you only want to see District and 7-12 school information you can deselect by clicking on the drop-down icon next to the agenda button at the top right hand side of the calendar. You also have the ability of printing the calendar by clicking on the Print icon.

There are 3 views, week, month and agenda, these can be selected by using the tabs at the top right.

If you want to add the calendar to your own Google calendar, use the button at the bottom right.

This allows you to have access to all calendars at all times either on your own computer or your mobile device. Definitely a handy feature if you are not near your computer.

The beauty of the Google calendar is when edits are made to the calendar they are automatically live and available for your viewing, so please be sure to check the calendar often for additions, changes, or possible deletions and / or cancellations.

If you have any questions please email Barb Antekeier at bantekeier@muskegoncatholic.org



Prescription and Non-Prescribed Medication

If a student is required to take medication during the school day, the parent/guardian **must** complete a student medication authorization form that that will be enclosed in the Orientation packet soon to be sent to you. Medication will not be dispensed AT ANY TIME until a student medication authorization form is received in the school office. Medication includes prescription, non-prescription, herbal medications, medication that is injectable, and medication applied as drops to eyes, nose or applied to the skin. It is recommended that medication is brought to school by the parent / guardian and state law indicates that it **MUST BE IN THE ORIGINAL CONTAINER**. School personnel are not allowed to dispense any medication to students without written parent permission. **Therefore no medication will be given to your student unless it is purchased and brought in to the school office by the parent/guardian.**



Asthma Management Policy

A student who requires the use of an inhaler for relief or prevention of asthma symptoms will be allowed to carry and use the inhaler if there is written approval from the student's physician and parent/guardian. This form will also be enclosed in the Orientation packet. The school suggests that an additional inhaler be stored in the 7-12 school office in case your child should forget or misplace theirs.



Athletic News from Athletic Director, Jason Stariha

Welcome to another exciting year of Crusader Athletics! It is a blessing to be a part of the Muskegon Catholic Central family for a second year. I would like to thank everyone who made year one a wonderful experience; from our student-athletes, to coaches, administration, parents, alumni, and MCC supporters. I look forward to continued excellence by our student-athletes in the classroom and in the sports and activities that they participate in. I look forward to reestablishing cross country as an MCC sport this year, as well as welcoming 6th graders into full participation in middle school sports (except football).

Below is our Athletic Department Staff and Varsity Head Coaches as of July 21, 2016

(Non co-op sports) new coaches are in **bold**:

Assistant Athletic Director/Event Staff: Mr. Josh Bisson

Assistant Athletic Director/Event Staff: Mr. Ron Jenkins

Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Paula Sullivan

Football: Mr. Steve Czerwon

Cheer: Mrs. Maria Secord

Volleyball: Ms. Laura Farrell

Boys Soccer: Mr. Bill Moulotsiotis

Co-ed Cross Country: Mr. Greg Russick

Boys Basketball: Mr. Lamar Jordan

Girls Basketball: Mr. Matt Callow

Wrestling: Mr. Mike Michelli

Baseball: Mr. Steve Schuitema

Boys Golf: Mr. Jimmy Hegedus

Girls Soccer: Mr. Art Dorsey

Girls Tennis: Mr. Casey Christensen

Co-ed Track: Mr. Steve Czerwon

Note: Girls Golf, Girls Swimming, Boys Tennis, Boys Ice Hockey, Boys Swimming, and Softball are co-ops.

Should you need to contact any of **our coaches, please check the "Coaches" tab on our athletic website for their email address.**

Fall sports pictures for high school sports will be coordinated with each coach and they will be advising your athlete of the date, time, and location.

Fall sports pictures for middle school sports will be scheduled once practice has begun. **Middle School football practice** and **Middle School Cross Country** begins August 22, 2016. **Middle School girls' basketball** practice will begin on Monday, August 29, 2016. I will send out this information as we get closer to the start of the school year.

Sports Physicals are due for each athlete *prior to the first day of practice*. The physical form can be found on the athletic website. Only one physical is needed per school year for your athlete. Physicals need to be dated April 15, 2016 or later.

Pay-to-Play for high school is \$60.00 per athlete, and middle school (grades 6-8) Pay-to-Play is \$40.00 per athlete.

Both the Sport Physical and the Pay-to-Play forms will be mailed to you in soon-coming Orientation packet. Once you receive both forms, please review them carefully and complete accordingly.

Check out our athletic website! Go to www.muskegoncatholic.org and you will find all pertinent information as it relates to Crusader athletics.

You can also follow us on Facebook! Search “Muskegon Catholic Athletics” on Facebook and click “LIKE” to receive athletic news and event results as they happen. You can also go to our athletic website and simply click on the green Facebook icon in the bottom right hand corner of the homepage.

Help is ALWAYS NEEDED! Please contact the athletic office if you are interested in volunteering contact lstariha@muskegoncatholic.org.

Football: Reserved Seats and Varsity Schedule for 2016 Season

Football reserved seating for the 2016 season are available for purchase in the 7-12 school office. The entire “home” season price is \$30.00 per seat (due to 5 home games). The home games are as follows:

Thursday, August 25

7 p.m. vs. Orchard View (Hall of Fame Night)

Thursday, September 1

6 p.m. vs. St. Ignace

Friday, September 16

7 p.m. vs. Ludington

Friday, September 30

7 p.m. vs. Muskegon Heights (HOMECOMING)

Friday, October 14

7 p.m. vs. Hesperia (Senior Night)

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Cheer - Same as football schedule

Soccer

Thursday, August 25

vs. Leland @ 3:00 pm

Monday, August 29

vs. Calvin Christian @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 6

vs. Grand Rapids Wellspring Prep @ 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 8

vs. Orchard View @ 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 22

vs. Manistee @ 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 29

vs. Ludington @ 5:00 pm

Saturday, October 1

vs. Pentwater @ 2:00 pm

Thursday, October 6

vs. Western Michigan Christian @ 5:00 pm

Thursday, October 13

vs. Holland Black River @ 5:00 pm

Cross Country

Saturday, October 1 Scrimmage: Crusader Homecoming 5K 9:30 am

Home Varsity and JV Volleyball Contests for the 2016 fall season:

Volleyball

Tuesday, August 23	JV/Varsity vs. North Muskegon JV @ 6 pm Var. @ 7 pm
Friday, August 26	Friday Night Varsity Volleyball Quad Var. @ 6 pm (Lansing Christian, Pentwater, Shelby)
Saturday, August 27	Crusader JV Invitational @ 9 am
Tuesday, September 6	JV/Varsity vs. Tri-Unity Christian JV @ 5:30 pm Var. @ 6:30 pm
Thursday, September 8	JV Quad vs. Kent City/Newaygo/Shelby JV @ 5:30 pm
Saturday, September 10	Crusader Varsity Invitational @ 9 am
Tuesday, September 20	JV/Varsity vs. Muskegon Heights JV @ 5:30 pm Var. @ 6:30 pm
Thursday, September 22	JV Quad vs. Fremont/Hart/WMC JV @ 5:30 pm
Tuesday, September 27	JV/Varsity vs. WMC JV @ 5:30 pm Var. @ 6:30 pm
Tuesday, October 25	JV/Varsity vs. Grand River Prep JV @ 5:30 pm Var. @ 6:30 pm
Thursday, October 27	Varsity Quad @ 5:30 pm (Holland Black River, Holland Calvary, Muskegon Heights)



GO CRUSADERS!