St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School- Dayton, Ohio

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IOWA Testing Underway-Deadline March 31

A big big thank you! To all of the students who have been coming to school in order to participate in state mandated testing. It is especially important for students on EdChoice scholarships because if they do not take a state mandatory test they could lose their scholarship. Last year in March 2020 students were in the process of taking the test; however, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and the Ohio State Department of Education suspended testing because of the severity of Coronavirus pandemic. This year the decision was changed for parochial schools to take the IOWA testing or the Ohio State testing. In the past years both tests were required for grades 3-8; however, grades 5 and 8 must also take the Ohio State Science test in April and IOWA testing online. Grade 2 is also taking a written version of the test. Kindergartners and grade one students are not participating, but they must take STAR Early Literacy, STAR Reading, and STAR Math tests quarterly.

Why do students need to be tested? According to the 1935 developers of IOWA tests, the tests improved student learning. The lowa tests basically compare students in the United States in the following subjects: reading, mathematics, spelling, capitalization, vocabulary, science, social studies, written expression, and punctuation. All students are encouraged to do their best...so far, St. Benedict the Moor students have been achieving.

<u>Deadline is March 31 to complete IOWA testing.</u>



Lose an hour of sleep, but gain an extra hour of sunshine.



ECHO Mental Health Survey

The ECHO (Empowering Children with Hope and Opportunity) organization requests your help. They are doing a survey of the mental health conditions of children during the pandemic. Click the following link in order to review and complete the survey. <u>ECHO Mental Health Survey</u> Here are the questions.

- 1. What grade(s) are your children? ⇒Elementary ⇒Middle School ⇒High School
- 2. Have you noticed any particular changes to your child's mental health? (check all that apply)

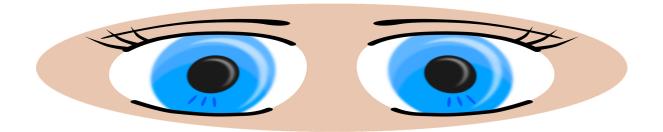
 ⇒More tired ⇒Changes in eating ⇒Mood swings ⇒Isolated from friends/others⇒ Other:
- 3. What has been the biggest adjustment/challenge during this time? ⇒Changing schedules ⇒Job adjustments ⇒School routines ⇒Less interaction with friends and family ⇒Managing stress/anxiety
- 4. Are there activities that your family does that make this time better?

 □ Going on family walks □ Spending time together in the evening □ Family game night □ Preparing meals together □ Other:
- 5. What mental illnesses do you want to learn more about? ◇Anxiety ◇Depression ◇ADHD/ADD ◇Eating Disorders ◇Other:
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 ⇒Anxiety ⇒Depression

 ⇒ADHD/ADD ⇒Eating Disorders ⇒ Other

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Quarter 3 Ends March 19,2021

Registration Forms for 2021-2022 School Year Review
On School Website

www.stbenedictthemoorcatholicschool.org

St. Benedict the Moor Parish

519 Liscum Drive at SR 35 Multipurpose Hall (Rear of Church)

FISH FRY

"The Best Fish in Town!"



Fridays, Feb 26th - Apr. 2, 2021

Carry out &/or Call In (937-268-6697) Orders Only <u>Mask & Social Distancing Required</u>

11 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

MENU

Fish: Whiting &/or Tilapia

Sides(2) French Fries or Baked Beans

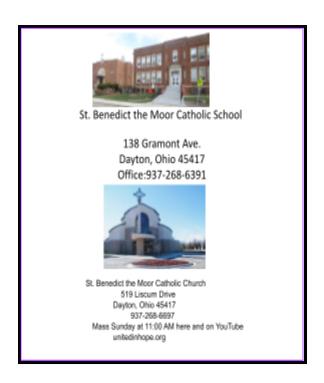
or Cole Slaw and

Dessert: Assorted Cakes

DINNERS \$10 SANDWICHES \$8

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In remembrance of Jesus Christ suffering, dying, and Resurrection St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School will be closed on Holy Thursday(April 1) (Christ's Last Supper). In the evening Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane where he was captured and led to Calvary to be crucified on Good Friday (April 2). Good Friday is a Christian holiday that commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus and his death. Resurrection Sunday or Easter Sunday is the day of celebrating Christ's salvation for He died for us but rose from the dead. During the week of April 4 there is no school; however, keep in mind everyday how much God loves YOU.

Have a safe, happy, and blessed spring break!