

Mission Statement

Assumption Catholic School is a small, diverse, family-oriented school which promotes Catholic values, academic distinction, higher order thinking, personal responsibility and knowledge of the Ukrainian Catholic Rite and heritage



Assumption Catholic School Back to School Night & First FSA Meeting September 13, 2018 6:30pm

FSA Agenda - September 13th

- 1. Father Ivan Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Welcome!
- 3. Introduction of 2018-2019 FSA Executive Board & Presentation
- 4. Secretary's Report-Lisa Sassine
 - a. Meeting minutes & approval
- 5. Treasurer Report- Melene Palhais
 - a. Beginning Balance \$8280.23
- 6. FSA Members / Purpose
- 7. FSA General Meetings and sign in
- 8. FSA Fundraising
- 9. Communication

10. Back to School Night Information & Introduction of Teachers & Staff

b. Correspondence

b. Approval

FSA Executive Board 2018-2019

President: Allyson Fizer

Vice President: Dawn Domingues

Treasurer: Melene Palhais

Secretary: Lisa Sassine

Fundraising Coordinators: Sean R. Daly, Fr Michael Chendorian, Del Velazquez, and Connie Daly

School Administrator and Pastor: Fr Ivan Turyk, Principal: Mrs Lissette Shumny

FSA Members

All Plan 1 Families

Candy Sales, BINGO, Christmas Bazaar, Raffle Tickets, Communion and or Graduation Breakfasts, Ukrainian Festival, Service Hours

All Plan 2 Families and Pre-K

Work 4 hours for the Christmas Bazaar

All Faculty, Staff & School Administration

Family & School Association – FSA

Organize and sponsor events and activities for the school community.

Provide opportunities for fellowship within our school family.

Participate in Assumption Catholic Church Parish activities.

ALL of the fundraising proceeds go directly to providing the students of ACS with the support required to achieve academic excellence.

FSA General Meetings ---Sign in!

Thursday September 13, 2018

Thursday October 25, 2018

Thursday January 31, 2019

Thursday February 28, 2019

Thursday March 28, 2019

Thursday May 30, 2019

Attend Every Meeting and you will be entered into the Tuition Raffle (please sign in)

School Cafeteria 7:00 pm

FSA Fundraising

BINGO **Kids Stuff Books Butter Braid Pastry** Pancake Breakfast Paint & Sip Party **Christmas Bazaar & Gift Auction** Gertrude Hawk Christmas and Easter Candy Sale Spring Clothing Drive Box tops Shop-a-Roo

BINGO!

- + Plan 1 Families must work 5 Scheduled BINGOs
- + BINGO Assignments
 - + *Call the School Office ASAP if you did not receive your assigned BINGOs
- + Don't forget to bring a cake (or 2)
- If you cannot work your scheduled BINGO, you <u>must</u> call Joyce Adamschick ASAP 732-442-8642.
- + Spread the word to your families and friends about our BINGO held in the school auditorium on Wednesdays and Fridays.

FSA FUNDRAISING

Kids Stuff Coupon Book—Sean Daly

- + \$25 each. ACS will profit "half" of every book we sell.
- + New this year: Phone Code to earn double coupons! Sell 5 books, get one free
- + If you are <u>not</u> interested in the book, it <u>must</u> be returned to the school (date TBD)

Pancake Breakfast—Sean Daly

- + Half Day Wednesdays.
- + \$4 Includes Pancakes, Sausage, Hash Browns, Juice & Milk
- + Volunteers needed: set up, cook, serve, clean up. Report to the kitchen 8:30 am





FSA Fundraising 2018-2019

- Butter Braid Breads Sale Fr. Michael Chendorian
 - + Begins Tonight!
 - + Free Samples!

Box Tops for Education—Fr. Michael Chendorain

- + ACS has earned over \$8000 in ten years. Last year's earnings were \$300
- + 2018-2019 Goal is \$1000
- + Class with the most box tops wins a Pizza Party!

FSA Fundraising 2018-2019

Paint and Sip Party

Thursday, October 18, 2018

Adults only

More info to follow

G<u>ertrude Hawk Christmas</u> <u>Candy Sale</u>

Brochures will be sent home soon

Orders Due back Nov. 16, 2018

Online ordering will be available

Cash (exact change) or Check made to ACS

FSA Fundraising 2018-2019

Christmas Bazaar & Gift Auction

Sunday December 2, 2018 11:00 am —5:00 pm

We offer a full kitchen featuring homemade traditional Ukrainian and Spanish foods. Desert and Coffee Table, Vendors and Crafters, Children's Games, Grocery Wheel Game, Gift Auction, and 50/50.

FREE ADMISSION. Open to the public. Well advertised.

Largest Fundraising Event of the year!

Christmas Bazaar 2018

Planning Meeting : Monday, September 24, 2018 7 pm in School Library

Decorations Crew, The Kitchen— Cooking, Serving, Clean up

The Gift Auction—Solicitation Letter* , Basket Wrapping and Prize Prep, ticket sales

Kids Games Station, The Grocery Wheel

Baked Goods & Coffee Station— Whole Cake Donations needed. Sell Cake and Coffee during the Bazaar.

Vendors— Tables available, 50/50— Sell tickets

Set up & Clean up Crews

Saturday Bazaar Prep

Gift Auction





Vendor Tables





Kitchen Crew

50/50 & Ticket Sales





Grocery Wheel / Homemade Baked Goods





Christmas Bazaar 2018

Bazaar Packets

Volunteer Forms

50/50 Tickets

Solicitation Letter

Planning Meeting : Monday September 24, 2018 7pm School Library

FSA Communication

Please respond to any and all FSA forms / notices / requests for help!

You may contact the FSA Board @

acsfsa@assumptioncatholicschool.net

or

Allyson Fizer alyo218@aol.com 732-887-2800

Back to School Night Agenda

- History of the School
- Curriculum & Classroom Procedures
- Our Building, Technology and Security
- VIP Policies: Bullying Policy, Electronics & Technology Policy
- Dress Code
- Overview of a School Day
- Extended Care, Half Days & Pancake Breakfast, \$3 Dress Down Days
- Student Clubs and Organization
- Communication
- Parent To Do List, REMIND Codes, Questions

Short History of ACS

In September of 1963, Ukrainian Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary School was officially opened. The operation of the school was entrusted to the Missionary Sisters of Mother of God. The school opened with two teachers: Sr. Josepha and Sr. Yosaphata. Sr. Josepha Kruchinsky, MSMG, was principal and taught at the school until 1994. Sr. Yosaphata Litvenczuk, MSMG, became vice principal in 1985, taught until 2004, and served as assistant principal, school secretary and finance manager until last school year. Under their leadership, the foundation for a quality Catholic education with a focus on the Ukrainian Rite, language, and culture, was established and continues to permeate the learning environment at our school.

Curriculum & Classroom Procedures

- Assumption Catholic School follows the Diocese of Metuchen Curriculum and the New Jersey State Student Learning Standards. Most classes have already taken a Baseline Assessment in both Reading and Math and we work quickly to address academic strengths and weaknesses.
- Each teacher has their own grade appropriate procedures which they will share with you when you visit their classroom.

Our Building - Summer Project

- Painted Pre-K, grade 4 and bathroom ceilings
- Painted and new ceiling in grades 3, 5 and 7
- New Access Points & Firewall
- Brand new Carbon Monoxide Detectors throughout the building

Technology at ACS

<u>Pre-K to Grade 2</u>: 33 ipads, <u>**Grades 3-5**</u>: 15 Chrome Books, <u>**Grades 6-8**</u>: 36 Chrome Books

Grades K - 8 classrooms have SmartBoards and teachers are trained.

Emergency Management Plan

ACS's Emergency plan was filed with the Perth Amboy Police Department and the Diocese of Metuchen. We discuss all our procedures and expectations with our students and have begun our drills.

Bullying Policy

Harassment, intimidation and bullying are not tolerated at ACS. <u>Conflict vs Bullying</u>

Conflict is different than bullying. Not all disagreements and fights are bullying. Conflict is a normal part of human interaction and arises frequently in our day to day lives. Part of learning to be independent and grown up is learning how to deal with and respond appropriately to conflict at home, at school, and in your community. Recognizing the difference between conflict and bullying will help students, parents and teachers know how to respond.

Conflict is:

- A disagreement
- All parties have equal power to solve the problem
- All parties have an equal interest in the outcome and a ll parties are of relatively equal size, age or status
- A conflict can be resolved by talking or working things out together or with help from an adult.

Bullying is:

- Not a disagreement
- A repeated form of mistreatment where the victim cannot defend him/herself

• An imbalance of power – usually one person is either bigger or older than the other or has a higher social standing (is more popular) and uses this against the other person

Usually involves repeated acts of harassment, harm or humiliation

Addressing Conflict vs Bullying

Conflict is an important part of growing up but bullying is not. Conflict teaches kids how to give and take, how to come to an agreement and how to solve problems. When it comes to conflict, it's good for kids to learn conflict resolution and resiliency skills. These skills promote listening and working together to come to an agreement or plan to move forward. Conflict resolution works based on the assumption that both people are in part responsible for the current problem and need to work it out. In this situation, both kids make compromises and the conflict is resolved.

Bullying is different. It is about the bully making a choice to intentionally hurt another person. There is nothing to work out. When bullying occurs, the bully is fully responsible for the situation. And the bully bears all the responsibility for change. Bullies usually do not negotiate with others. They want power and they blame others for their actions. Even if an adult can get them to apologize, bullies will often retaliate when no one else is around. As a result, it is crucial to recognize the difference between conflict and bullying.

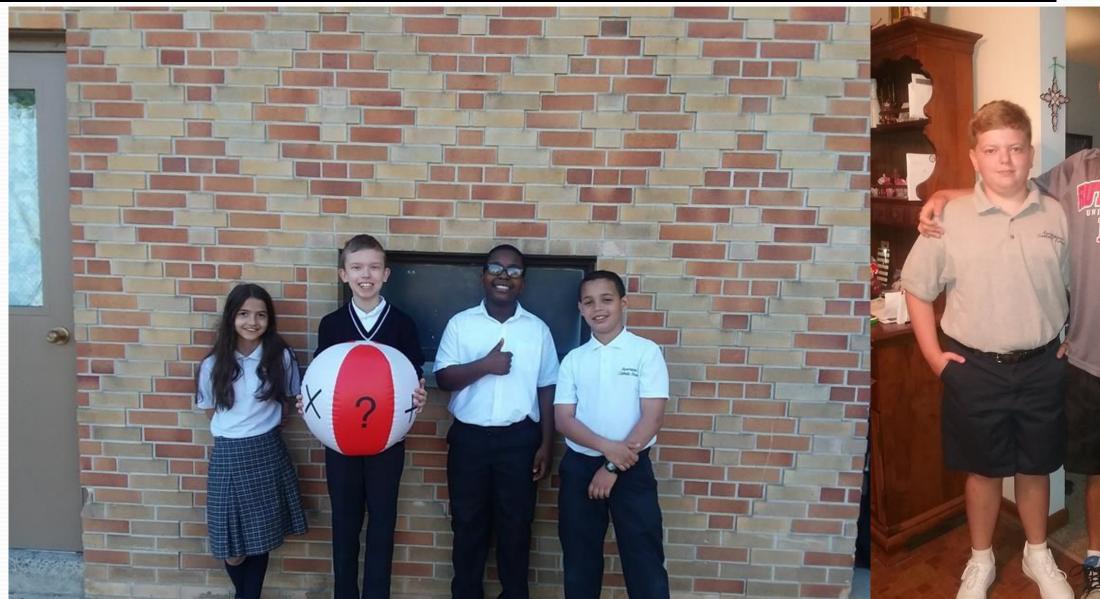


Electronics & Technology Policy

Students are **<u>not</u>** allowed to bring electronics to school

<u>Cell Phones</u>: Only students who walk home, take the bus, or cab home may bring it to school. A parent must sign the permission note sent from the office and must be approved by the Principal. The phone is turned into the office in the morning and returned to students at dismissal. *Classroom Teachers have these forms.

Dress Code – Picture is worth a thousand words



Gym Days Uniform

Tops:

 A. Blue or yellow ACS T-shirt
 B. Gray sweatshirt (optional)

 Bottom:

 A. ACS group synaptic

A. ACS gray sweatpantsB. OR ACS blue shorts

3. Socks:

A. White

4. Sneakers:

A. Any color low or mid top



Extended Care: Before and Aftercare

- Before Care 7:15 am to 8:15 am
- After Care 3:10 pm to 6:00 pm
- Cost \$5 per hour

ACS Half Days & Pancake Breakfast & Dress Down Days

The First Wednesday of the month is generally a half day, EXCEPT February when it's the first Friday.

After care is available on half days - Lunch is NOT served, please send lunch from home.

Half Day Wednesday – Pancake Breakfast: \$4.00: Juice, Pancake, Hash Browns, Sausage. Exact Change Requested and NOT part of the regular lunch program

Schedule Overview

- Drop off on Meredith Street between 8:00 am to 8:15 am <u>PLEASE DO NOT DOUBLE PARK!!</u>
- Prayers, Pledge, announcements before going to class
- Special Classes Monday: Music & Art, Tuesday: Library, Wednesday: Ukrainian dance, Thursday: Physical Education, Friday: Divine Liturgy & Spanish (gr 5-8) & Ukrainian (gr PK -4)

FOR NEXT TWO WEEKS wear gym clothes Wed. and Thurs.

- Snack & Lunch: Snack & hot lunch are offered daily, menu is sent home at the beginning of the month and posted on website and REMIND.
- Dismissal Pre-K at 2:45pm (office door), K at 2:50 (kinder door) grades 1-4 –

Student Clubs and Organizations

- <u>Academic</u>: Math Survivors, STREAM Club(gr 5-8), Coding Club (gr 1-5) Mrs. Rosell
- <u>Sports:</u> Bowling and Track (all grades including pre-k) Sean Daly, Basketball (gr 2-4, 5-6, 7-8) Mr. Wythe, Jr. Stackers Club (grades K to 5), Senior Stackers (grades 6-8) Mrs. Vattelana,
- <u>Performing Arts Club</u>: (2nd to 5th grade) Mrs. Lawrence, Senior Drama (6th to 8th grade) Mrs. Pickering, Show Choir (grades 5-8) Miss Lawrence, Chimes (grades 6-8) Mrs. Lawrence, and Ukrainian Dance (grades K-8) Miss Lawrence
- <u>Religious</u> Altar Boys and Sodality Mrs. Hila, Ms. Cuff and Father Ivan
- <u>Yearbook</u> 8th graders only Mrs. Vattelana
- Patrols and Student Council Mrs. Pickering

Communication

- Newsletter sent home every other Friday
- Planners
- Teacher & Principal email all on the website and newsletter
- PowerSchool link on our website
- REMIND calendars, reminders, and homework
- Send Things Into School:

Envelopes - which should be addressed:

Name: Student Name & grade Re:

PARENT TO DO LIST!

- Emergency Form you will receive a call tomorrow if not received. Your child will not be allowed into class on Monday.
- 6th grade parents WE NEED IMMUNIZATION RECORDS
- Physicals for all our new students.
- Sign Family Handbook Acknowledgement Form & Ethical Use of Technology Form
- Download REMIND app (or email), PowerSchool and STOPit
- Like us on facebook & save our website as a favorite! assumptioncatholicschool.net

Special Mention: SURVEYS - AdvancED



REMIND CODES - https://www.remind.com/join/

Grade PK: <u>mscuffp</u> Grade 1: <u>mrshilag</u> Grade 3: <u>db6cb2</u> Grade 5: <u>48cegb</u> Grade 7: <u>mrsvatte</u>

Grade K: <u>mrsdkinde</u> Grade 2: <u>c9k49</u> Grade 4: <u>h4kcc8</u> Grade 6: <u>mrwyth</u> Grade 8: <u>4978h6</u>

Clubs:

Sr Drama: hkbea6Performing Arts Club (grade 2-5): 6e87bgUkrainian Dance: ukrainaSTREAM: streamclBasketball: edce2cShow Choir: d7e6dc

Questions?

Father Ivan 50/50 raffle Please go to your child's classroom so you can meet our teachers!