



The Barrister

School News

Registration Deadlines

All registrations received on or before February 28, 2015 will be eligible for a \$50 registration fee discount, so don't delay!

Registration for the 2015/2016 school year has begun. In most cases, classroom size will be capped at 25 students per classroom. When maximum enrollment has been reached, a waiting list will be maintained for each grade.

A student body ratio of no more than 15% of non-Catholic students per grade will be maintained at all times. Any current non-Catholic families must register by February 28, 2015 to secure their enrollment. Beginning March 1, 2015 we will begin to fill remaining spots from the non-Catholic registrations, up to 15% per grade.

Tuition Assistance Program

for the 2015-2016 School Year Now Underway

Tuition assistance application forms for the 2015-2016 school year are now available in the Parish Office. Catholic families who belong to a Diocese of Gary parish and have their children enrolled in any diocesan school, Kindergarten to Grade 12, may apply. Preschool and Pre-kindergarten students are not eligible. A \$30.00 non-refundable processing fee must accompany your application. Approximately \$500,000 is distributed on the basis of need.

The filing deadline is Monday, February 16, 2015.

This is the date that completed applications must be returned to the pastor. PSAS will not accept any applications mailed directly to the company. This deadline will be strictly enforced. Parents will be notified of the results in writing by April 30, 2015.

In order to qualify for STM Angel Scholarship, you must have applied for Diocesan Assistance first.

T.R.I.P. Tip

Something to think about: If you purchase \$100 in Speedway cards & \$100 in Jewel cards each week of the year, you will earn \$407.68 back in tuition credits! Questions? Email: stmstrip@gmail.com.

ISTEP Testing

During the mornings of February 25—March 11, please **do not** make a doctor, dentist, orthodontic or any other type of appointment for your child/ren in Grades 3 to 8, as we will be ISTEP testing at this time.

Upcoming

Save The Date for SpringFest 2015!

SpringFest 2015 will be Saturday, April 11th from 4p.m.-8 p.m. at STMS. Spring Fest is a favorite night for our students with plenty to do: play games, participate in the Cake Walk, check out the awesome prizes in the raffle baskets and much more.

We are still in need of volunteers to head the following committees: Cake Walk, Decorations, Preschool Games, Tie Die and Balloon Animals (coordinating with vendors.)

Our next meeting is Tuesday, February 17th at 6:45 p.m. at the Wicker Park Social Center. Please join us so we can make this a fun and successful event for our school. For questions, please reach out to Nicole Caddick: nmcaddick@gmail.com or Jenn Feeney: jennhoke25@hotmail.com.

Facebook Page

Check us out at: <https://www.facebook.com/St.ThomasMoreMunster> You'll find school photos and information about upcoming events, so be sure to "like" today.



Weekly Calendar

Saturday, February 14 *First Penance* (3rd Grade) 9:30 a.m.- Church
Congratulations Third Grade Students!
7th & 8th Grade Dance
7:00-9:00 p.m. Gym

Monday, February 16 **President's Day-Make Up School Day
No Buses**
Open House Scavenger Hunt Dress Down

Tuesday, February 17 *Mardi Gras Parties*

Wednesday, Feb 18 *Ash Wednesday*
All School Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Friday, February 20 *Stations of the Cross* —2:15 p.m.- Church

Athletics

Thank You

A big "THANK YOU" to all who made a donation to "Concessions for Colleen!" Thanks to your generosity, and that of the visiting teams, over the weekend, Athletics will make a donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in memory of Colleen Lusk in the amount of \$1530. Again...THANK YOU!!!

Track Team

Join the St. Thomas More School Track Team!
Registration will begin in a few weeks, so be sure to watch for information and important dates coming soon.
Questions? Email: athletics@stm-school.com

"Nothing is far from God."
Saint Monica



Week of February 16, 2015

Weekly Menu

Daily Menu

Monday, February 16

Pizza Choice: Pepperoni or Cheese
Salad, Corn, Mixed Fruit
Milk

Monday Volunteers

Mary Castaneda
Stacy Arreola
Alice Balbo

Tuesday, February 17

Hamburger/Cheeseburger
Lettuce, Tomato Slice, French Fries, Pickle Spear, Pears, Fruit
Smoothie & Milk

Tuesday Volunteers

Lupe Castaneda
Marc Lenaburg
April Dilbeck

Wednesday, February 18

Grilled Cheese with Tomato Soup, Saltines
Potato Wedges, Peas, Fresh Fruit & Milk

Wednesday Volunteers

Maria Youssef
Shane Nowak
Brandy Huss

Thursday, February 19

Celebrate Chinese New Year!

Popcorn Chicken with Orange Sauce Dip
Rice, Broccoli/Edamame, Pineapple Tidbits, Fortune Cookie
Milk

Thursday Volunteers

Chris Balbo
Marie Ramirez
Natalie Krembs

Friday, February 20

Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce
Cheese Stick, Salad, Green Beans, Mozzarella Cheese Toast,
Peaches & Milk

Friday Volunteers

Teri Tarr Schroer
Kim Cipowski
Hillary Hanas

Ala Carte

Salads: Large —\$2.30/Small —\$1.85

Yogurt: \$.70

Milk: \$.50

Water: \$.50

Reminders

•Menu subject to change.

•Hot Lunch Prices:

Student- \$ 2.00

Adult- \$ 2.60

•Cash or Check Payments Accepted

Checks made out to STM are accepted

•Families with more than one student eating hot lunch are encouraged to send in ONE check (or cash) in one envelope. Money will be divided between siblings accordingly.

•There is a \$ 10.00 charge limit per account. If students do not bring in money after 5 charges, they will not be allowed in the hot lunch line until payment is made. However, students will be offered a cheese sandwich if they have nothing else to eat.

•Students should turn in payment in a **SEALED** envelope labeled as follows:

Lunch Money

Students First & Last Name

Homeroom Teacher's Name

Amount Enclosed

•Check the St. Thomas More School website for the monthly menu under the tab: "Student/ Nutrition".

•Check the weekly Barrister for the weekly menu and volunteer list.

•Go to www.myschoolbucks.com to check student account balances and to make credit card payments.