



ST. HILDA Catholic Junior High

October Newsletter

Dear parents and caregivers,

With all the uncertainty, and craziness we have made it through the first month of school! Thank you to all the families and students for their cooperation in following the school guidelines and ensuring a safe return! Make sure that your children are doing their AHS COVID self assessment. It is important for students to stay home if they are sick. It may not be COVID, but if they come to school sick and infect others, everyone suffers as they will be forced to stay home as well. Please continue doing this so that we can have a safe school year!

As we now share information in a timely fashion on our website and via Swift Notifications, we will not be publishing a regular monthly newsletter. You will receive items as we share them. In case you miss any of them or want to review any information and the calendar, we ask that you go to our school website. This can be found at the following link:

St Hilda: <https://www.ecsd.net/8044>

Lastly, our school is in dire need of upgrading our smart boards. For those of you that do not know what these are, they are like giant smart phones that students and teachers can interact with to teach concepts. Our schools have had them for around 15 years, if not more. They have become a regular tool that is used seamlessly and very regularly by all teachers. Due to the age of these, we need to replace up to three of them. Sadly, the replacement cost for these is approximately \$5000.00 per smart board. All schools have them and we want to ensure that your children have the same learning opportunities as other children have. The reason I am sharing this is because our School Advisory Council and Parent Advisory Council play a huge role in St. Hilda being able to purchase these big-ticket items. The School Advisory Council also supports the school in other ways. They act as a sounding board for decisions that the school makes and gives us essential feedback to make sure your children are receiving the best education possible. We are in desperate need of new members! The commitment is not huge, we meet once a month for about an hour and half to share and discuss concerns, plans and ways to support the school! Each member has a specific role and you are never left on your own as there is support and help! We need a co-chair, treasurer, secretary, and fundraising chairperson. Do not be shy, please join us as we really need your help. If you have questions or would like to join, please let the office know. We cannot proceed with any purchases or activities until we have new members!

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