



# TRANSFIGURATION

*Leading all those in the East Metro to Christ,  
the Source and Summit of our daily and eternal lives.*

## Transfiguration Catholic School Newsletter September 13, 2023

Dear Father, Thank you for bringing us here together for a new school year. Help us to always seek You in each other, and guide us to greater understanding and love, through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

### Special Dates

**Monday, Sept. 18** Picture Day  
**Tuesday, Sept. 19** Youth Group grades 5-8 (waiver required)  
**Thursday, Sept. 21** Curriculum Night, 6-7:30pm  
**Friday, Sept. 22** NET retreat, grades 5-8  
**Saturday, Oct. 7** Walk-A-Thon

### Urgent Updates

**Needed Forms** - Three forms were inadvertently left out of the registration packet materials for families in grades K-8 that must be completed as soon as possible. Any student who does not return the forms Thursday will be given a paper copy (especially since this is such short notice!). The forms are attached to this newsletter. We sincerely apologize for this error!

District Pupil Health Services: By checking "yes" on this form, we are able to have a district nurse available in our building. This form allows us to access tax funds to pay for this, rather than funds from our school. **This form is due Friday, Sept. 15th.**

District Secondary Guidance/Counseling Services: By checking "yes" on this form, we are able to have a counselor available for Middle School students in our building. This allows us to access tax funds to pay for this, rather than funds from our school. You are NOT signing up your child for counseling with this form; this is only for accessing public funds. **This form is due Friday, Sept. 15th.**

Alternative Form for Determining Eligibility for Federal Education Funding: This form requests information about household income and is ONLY used for determining the amount of federal funding we can access for a variety of student services. This information will be kept confidential. **This form is due Wednesday, Sept. 27th.**

### Reminders

**Lunch Money** - To check your child's lunch account balance, please log in to Educate. To put money into the account, you can send cash or check to the school office in a clearly labeled envelope, or you may make an online payment by clicking this link: [Lunch Money](#)

**Morning Car Line** - Parents may not park in the drop off line in the morning. Parents of preschool children and others who walk their children to the door must park in the parking lot. This helps to keep traffic moving and is safer for families.

**Curriculum Night** - Next Thursday, Sept. 21st is Curriculum Night. This is a night for parents to get specific information regarding what their child will be learning, and the expectations teachers have for students. The evening will begin in the Church and 6pm. Then, we will have two break out sessions for families at 6:30pm and 7pm. During those sessions, parents are invited to their child's classroom to hear from the teacher. \*\*Please note, we have teachers teaching multiple grades in order to take advantage of teachers' strengths. Families of Middle School students will want to attend the first session in Middle School. Mr. Field and Mrs. Eberspacher will be available to Fifth and Third grade families, respectively, in



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the second session. We hope to see you there!

**Walk-A-Thon** - Families will receive Walk-A-Thon information next Monday. This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year, and a great opportunity to fulfill the fundraising requirement. Please plan on attending our Walk-A-Thon on Saturday, October 7th.

**Youth Group** - Middle School Youth Group begins Tuesday, Sept. 19th, and will be held the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Students in grades 5-8 are invited to Youth Group on Tuesday, Sept. 19 from 2:45-4:30pm, and each third Tuesday of the month. A waiver must be signed for students to participate. The waiver can be found here: [Youth Group](#)

**Help Wanted** - We are looking for an assistant (16 years old or older) for Extended Day after school care. The position is paid, and typically goes from 2:45pm-5:30pm. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Sue Berthiaume at [principal@transfigurationmn.org](mailto:principal@transfigurationmn.org).

## Mrs. B.'s Bulletin

I am excited to announce the implementation of a new virtue program at Transfiguration called Virtue = Strength. Our teachers were trained on the program yesterday, and are looking forward to implementing it! This program was developed initially as a way for coaches to be more intentional about teaching and discussing virtuous sportsmanship, but it has recently been expanded to help Catholic schools teach virtue and the many ways we express our Catholic faith.

The program has a variety of components, including prayers, short videos, discussion questions, Catholic celebrations, and saint biographies. Students learn what a virtue means, what it looks like, where we see it, and how we can grow in it. It is a very practical, concrete approach that I think will benefit children and adults alike. We will begin with the virtue of obedience; watch classroom newsletters for more information!



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