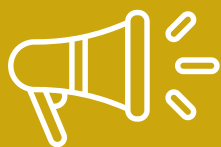


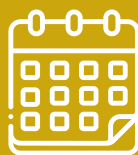


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Hello! Greetings Holy Family Bilingual Catholic School! we provide information related to upcoming events, important dates, and reminders. Good news awaits you. Always check the news from us.

Important links: [SIGN UP GENIUS](https://www.virtusonline.org)
www.virtusonline.org
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Contact us for more information
regarding the latest news!
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Dear Falcon families,

From the principal

As we look forward to our last two and a half days of school before Christmas vacation, I want to wish you a peaceful, loving, celebratory Christmas from my family to yours. May the miracle of Christmas fill your hearts with joy and light.

In Faith and love,
Rachel Garcia

Upcoming dates

- 12/15: Report cards sent via email
- 12/20: Last day of school, noon Dismissal NO BASS!
- 12/21-1/1: Christmas Break
- 1/2 Back to School
- 1/4 January Virtue of the Month assembly (6th grade leads)
- 1/8-2/2 Winter MAP testing grades 1-8
- 1/28-2/2 Catholic Schools Week; kicks off with our Holy Family Open House 1/28 1pm-3pm

Notes and reminders

- Letters of Intent to Return: please return to the office before Friday, Dec. 15th. This is an essential part of our planning process for next year.
- **Fulcrum Tuition assistance applications are now open!** The deadline is approaching fast. All families requesting financial assistance must apply to receive any FA.

★NEW! Teacher Feature - Meet Mr. Luis!★



Mr. Luis was born in Guatemala City but has spent almost half of his life here in Seattle, WA. He has been married to his wife for 14 years and they have 3 beautiful children (Ethan, Mateo, and Ellie). Ethan is in 4th grade and Mateo in 2nd grade; they both attend Holy Family School. He loves spending time with his family and when he's not teaching you can find him in a soccer field watching his kids play soccer. One fun fact about him is that he enjoys making sushi. Yum!

Mr. Luis has been at Holy Family for over 4 years working in different classrooms, but this year he is teaching Kindergarten. He went to college in Guatemala and studied teaching. What led him to want to be a teacher was him enjoying the foundation of elementary school education. He enjoys watching every child's progress in their learning journey and it warms his heart when students enjoy it. He is happy when he can motivate his students and also make it fun.



"Maestro Luis took the challenge of leading the kindergarten group this year and we couldn't have been more blessed. He loves the kids, he is passionate about what he does and he strives to give his best everyday in his classroom. Every child should have a teacher like Mr. Luis in their lives." current K family

***Written By Elizabeth Espinoza Valencia, student council journalist.**



Parent Club news

- If you miss the Parent Club meeting this month, please read the **PRESENTATION** that was shared with VERY important information
- GALA procurement letters in [English](#) [Spanish](#)

Volunteer opportunities



- Record and find volunteer opportunities please use this **LINK TO SIGN UP GENIUS**

From the ADVANCEMENT office

Admissions and outreach

- We have preschool 2.5 - 3 spaces available for this year and we accept the Best start subsidy program. Share with other families, parents are our number one marketing source !
- Save the date, Open House January 28th. 12 -3 pm

Development

- **The Annual Fund Drive is on!** You can give more than your original commitment and encourage family and friends to give! This is one the most direct ways to help our school. All donations are unrestricted and Tax deductible. [Read our 23-24 Annual Fund letter](#) and [Information Card](#)

Annual Fund 2023-2024

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S FUTURE LEADERS
The possibilities are endless. Can we count on you?

52% Our students receive tuition assistance (all families pay a portion of their child's tuition).
The true Cost to Educate Each Child at Holy Family Bilingual Catholic School is **\$10,144** per year.

31 Communities served. Families travel from different areas to join our program.

85% Of our student body is Catholic. We are the largest ministry in our parish.

Tuition only covers about 70 % of salaries, our community is called to help bridge the operational gap.

Money from the Annual Appeal helps fund the vital day-to-day needs of our students and staff, while keeping us on the cutting edge.

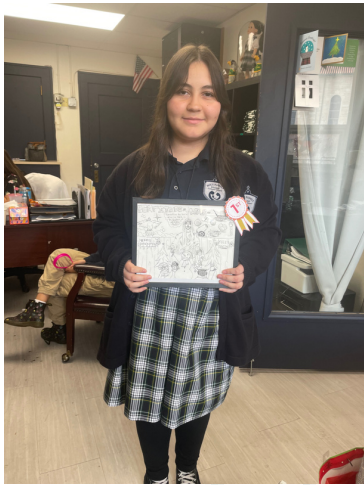
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Extra curricular activities and student council

- **NEW!** Congratulations to our Christmas card art winners and special mentions. Thank you to all the students who participated in the contest. You can see all the artwork displayed outside of the main office next week.
- **Middle school art class!** The first 8-week session will run from January 10th - February 28th on Wednesdays from 12:00-2:00. Stay tuned for more details! **Bike Works** will also facilitate an 8-week session beginning in March for middle school students on Wednesdays from 12:00 to 2:00. Both programs will be free for our students.

Lunch room announcements !



- **NEW!** Lunch form and Menu for January
- We are seeking more donors for our Hot Lunch program, we have less students and less donors this year which has been a challenge keeping the lunch program going. Please consider donating a little extra this month.
- **To keep our lunch program running and affordable, we NEED volunteers; please** sign up to take your **Food Handler's class now**. It is online in MANY languages and only costs \$10.

CYO Sports

- **NEW!** Registration for Winter Sports is OPEN! 4-8th Volleyball for Boys & Girls AND 2nd/3rd Grade BOYS Basketball. Register at teamsideline.com
- Coaches for Volleyball & 2/3 Boys Basketball are needed, an EXCELLENT chance to earn your volunteer hours.
- **4-8th Basketball Season is on, please find the schedules below!** [Seattle CYO Athletics \(teamsideline.com\)](https://teamsideline.com)

Parish Announcements

- **12/17: Parish Christmas concert @ 6:00 pm.** join for beautiful music from our English and Spanish choirs.

