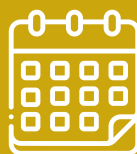


## SCHOOL NEWS

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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](https://www.virtusonline.org)  
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Contact us for more information  
regarding the latest news!  
(206) 767-6640  
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## From the principal

We are excited to announce that our students' artwork, grades 1-4, is on display for the month of December and into January at the Highland Park Corner Store, a local store and cafe that features artists from Seattle.

[CONTINUE READING and see photos](#)

## Upcoming dates

- **12/12: School Celebration of our Lady of Guadalupe** 8:30 am. All students are welcome to bring natural flowers for our Lady of Guadalupe
- **12/14: Virtue of the Month Assembly by 7th Grade** (free dress for December birthdays) 8:15 am
- **12/14: 1st/3rd Field Trip to Seattle Children's Theater**
- **12/15 : Simbang Gabi** celebration at HFBCS
- **12/15:** Report cards sent via email
- **12/20: Last day of school, noon Dismissal NO BASS!** \*Please note that this is a Wednesday, which is new for us this year!
- **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



## Notes and reminders

- **Letters of Intent to Return** were sent home last week, please return to the office before **Friday Dec. 15th**. This is a **VERY** important part of our planning process for next year.
- **Circle of Grace** (formerly Safe Environment) lessons begin Monday, 12/4, in Religion classes. If you would like to know more or opt out, please send an email to [rgarcia@holyfamilybilingual.org](mailto:rgarcia@holyfamilybilingual.org).
- **NEW! Christmas Card Art contest for students:** Submit all entrees by December 12th and win a chance to be featured in our Christmas card plus \$ other prizes See official [RULES HERE](#)
- **Fulcrum Tuition assistance applications are now open!** The deadline for our school is December 15. All families requesting financial assistance must apply to receive any FA. Sign into your FACTS account to begin the application process.



## Parent Club news



- If you miss the Parent Club meeting this month, please read the **PRESENTATION** that was shared with VERY important information
- **Parents' Night Out, December 9.** Drop your kids off for a couple hours to go to dinner, Christmas shop, or have some parent "free" time without the kids; there will be board games, art projects, and other activities for the kids. See Sign Up Genius for more details  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d4bafa822a3f85-holy2#/>

- GALA procurement letters in [English](#) [Spanish](#)
- **Last week!** Online fundraising campaign for HFBCS Holiday Fundraiser at Lynch Creek Farm.

Whenever someone shops online through our group's fundraising page, we receive 15% back on eligible items purchased. It is that easy!

Join us as a teammate online by entering our invite code RDQGHV at [https://www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/teams/join?fundraiser\\_name=&joincode=RDQGHV](https://www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/teams/join?fundraiser_name=&joincode=RDQGHV).



## 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 !

### 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](#)

**\_ONE TIME OR RECURRING DONATIONS CAN BE MADE THROUGH OUR [WEBSITE](#) THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**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.**

**Every gift counts!** Join fellow supporters and help provide the exceptional bilingual Catholic Education HFBCS is known for.

**Support the only two-way language immersion school in the Pacific Northwest, part of the Boston College Network!**

**Send donations to**  
9615 20th Ave SW

**Scan here to make One Time & Recurring gifts**



## Extra curricular activities



- **NEW!** Student Council has arranged a can food drive to benefit Food Lifeline. Class with the most items will win a surprise party. Please send non perishable items with your students!

**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 12:00-2:00. Both programs will be free for our students.

## Lunch room announcements !



- **NEW!** Please welcome Sra. Ofelia, she has taken over the preparation of our Hot Lunch program.
- 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.
- 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



- **12/11:** 6pm **Multi Cultural Rosary** followed by 7pm Bilingual Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigil
- **12/17: Parish Christmas concert** @ 6:00 pm. join for beautiful music from our English and Spanish choirs.