

February 7, 2025

The ASSUMPTION

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Important Dates To Remember:

Tues	2/11	MS Girls Retreat Day MS Valentine Candy Gram Orders due
Thurs	2/13	HS/MS Band field trip to see Blue Man Group
Fri	2/14	MS Boys Retreat Day Happy Valentine's Day Royal Parents Plant Sale Orders due
Sun	2/16	BINGO @ Assumption
Fri	2/21	Hex 4 ends / Solo & Ensemble in Marshfield
Sat	2/22	Barn Dance at Assumption
Mon	2/24	Hex 5 begins
Sun	3/02	BINGO @ Assumption
March	3-7	ITBS testing week
March	14-17	Washington DC Education Trip
Sun	3/16	BINGO @ Assumption
March	24-31	Spring Break

Upcoming Athletic Calendar of Events

Sat 2/8 - Tues 2/20

Sat	2/8	Girls BB @ JustAGame 11:12:50 Hockey @ Chequamego 2pm
Tues	2/11	Girls BB home vs Marathon 5:45/7 7/8 Girls BB @ St. Anne's 4:30 MS Wrestling @ East JH 4:15
Thurs	2/13	Girls BB home vs Abbotsford 5:45/7 7/8 Girls BB @ Marathon 4:15 Hockey @ Eagle River 7pm
Fri	2/14	Boys BB home vs Abbotsford 5:45/7
Mon	2/17	7/8 Girls BB @ SV vs Port 4:30
Tues	2/18	MS Wrestling @ Pittsville 4:15 Girls BB @ Aquinas 5/6:30
Tues	2/20	7/8 Girls BB @ SV vs Nekoosa 4:30 Girls BB home vs Stratford 5:45/7



Haley Hintz was the February student of the month for the Wisc Rapids Kiwanis Club. Each month during the school year, the Wisc Rapids Kiwanis Club recognizes a student from a Wood County school. Students chosen for the award have gone above and beyond in their service, attitude, and personal growth. Haley is compassionate, generous with her time, and an excellent role model for underclassmen. She is highly involved in her school, parish, and community. Congratulations Haley!

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IN THE CLASSROOM & BEYOND



Assumption's Missionary Roots Run Deep—All the Way to South America

God's hand has been planting missionary seeds at Assumption since the 1990s when He placed now-Monsignor Joe Hirsch as the school's chaplain for eight years.

During his time at Assumption, Father Joe organized the first mission trip to Peru in 1996. It would take another 20 years before another group of Assumption students, parents, and teachers made the journey.

In the past decade, more than 50 members of the Assumption community have traveled to Casa Hogar, bringing with them over \$30,000 in donations—generously contributed by Assumption families and the Wisconsin Rapids Deanery.

This summer, another group of Assumption families will continue this tradition, journeying to Peru to support Monsignor Hirsch as he carries on Fr. Walijewski's mission of providing for children in need.

To support this effort, we will be hosting several fundraisers.

Join us on **February 15** at **The Spot in Nekoosa** for a special fundraiser featuring raffle baskets (comprised of items that were very generously donated by Assumption families). Additionally we will also hold raffles at home basketball games.

Please help us continue Assumption's missionary work—your prayers and support make a difference!

IN THE CLASSROOM & BEYOND

Each year Catholic Schools Week kicks off with the annual Brains and Brawn Competition and this year's Brain's Competition was one of the closest we've had in years.

Our team of all 7th gr students, tied for 4th ! Students answered various questions from religion, soc studies, science, language arts, general knowledge, and math.

Some questions our team answered were:

How many prime numbers between 1-100? (25)

The pied piper is traditionally depicted with what musical instrument to lure rats and children? (flute)

Who is the father of modern genetics? (Gregor Mendel)

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha is patron saint for whom or what? (Native Americans, people in exile, ecology)

How old must a person be to be elected to US House of representatives? (25)

We are incredibly proud of our team and look forward to next year's competition. AcaDec Club is open to students in Grades 6-8. Join us next year!!



Additionally, CONGRATULATIONS are in order to our boys and girls basketball teams that represented Assumption Middle School in the Brawn portion of the competition.

Our girls basketball team won 2nd Place and our boys basketball team won 3rd Place

ROYALLY PROUD



IN THE CLASSROOM & BEYOND



Catholic Schools
Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed.

Catholic Schools Week

January 25-31, 2025

PARENT LUNCH



On Tuesday of Catholic Schools Week, we invited parents to take their MS & HS students off campus for lunch. Parents took full advantage of this opportunity to spend some quality time with their children with over 85% of our student body leaving school to enjoy lunch with their family.

CSW STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY



We love and appreciate all of our ACS students, and Catholic Schools Week gives us time to pause and celebrate our students. On Friday, Feb 1st Assumption Middle School students loaded up buses and traveled to 5 Star Lanes in Plover for some bowling fun. There were many laughs, many orders of fried cheese curds & pizzas consumed and many games both on the lanes and in the arcade were played.

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ALL SYSTEM MASS

"Mass gives us a taste of heaven on earth; it unites us with Christ and with each other."

All Assumption Catholic School 4K-12 students, teachers, staff and area priests came together to celebrate mass at St. Peter & Paul Parish.



LITTLE ROYALS 4K-2 VISIT AHS



The benefits of older and younger children being together goes in both directions. Our HS seniors agreed that playing with the youngsters brought back memories of what it's like to be that age, and they got to feel like kids again and our little ones learned important social skills, trusting others and building connections in a safe environment while building their own self confidence. Much fun was had by all!

IN THE CLASSROOM & BEYOND



1000 POINTS

CONGRATULATIONS!
JT SCHLAEFAR
1000 CAREER POINTS



Check out the new
art display cabinet
set up in the lobby
of AHS.





ASSUMPTION HIGH SCHOOL

Student Honor Roll 2024-2025 | Semester I

HIGH HONORS Above 3.75

12TH GRADE

Owen Daliege
Aislinn Dolan
Bryson Drollinger
Jerlin Ferreira
Mason Hackman
Owen Hagan
Thomas Hannum
Owen Hernandez
Haley Hintz
Charlie Kuhn
Claire Nelson
Carter Pavloski
Brooklyn Schoenick
Anna Schooley
Sarah Shaw
Catherine Steinle
Addi Vollert
Macy Vollert

11TH GRADE

Jeremy Arias
Ronald Bord
Ari Cavanaugh
Lucy Dolan
Baylee Hartjes
Jordyn Jaglinski
Ryleigh Johnson
Lirah Laramée
Chase Leberg
Leire Sainz de Rozas

Jonathan Schlaefler
Isabella Thomas
Quan Tran
Kara Webster

10TH GRADE

Isabelle Ferreira
Carleigh Halbersma
Gabriel Hauke
Sabina Hellmich
Brennan Mohrbacher
Madison Moss
Garrett Pavloski
Gavin Tritz
Adeline Vruwink

9TH GRADE

Emmercyn Breu
Kaya Guyant
Harper Heuer
Sophie Kulmann
Olivia Moss
Cullen Thomas
Blake Webster

HONORS 3.25 - 3.74

12TH GRADE

Eliana Gildenzoph
Joseph Johnson
Ella Lerch

11TH GRADE

Joseph Engwall
Maddie Graumann
Braeden Peters
Will Rifleman
Rowen Ross
Rylee Stublaski

10TH GRADE

Lyla Fisher
Trey France
Ellery Fredock
Alexa Gilson
Delayne Hahn
Ava Moon
Emily Mrozek
Jessalynn Norton
Gianna Peters
Parker Vruwink

9TH GRADE

Breanna Aue
Elayna Aue
Rylan Cusack
Reed Hartjes
Ava Lee
Khloe Maher
Calen Ott
Esperanza Perez
Norah Ross
Sara Trykoski
Ava Van Er



Assumption Middle School is excited to announce the return of our:

VALENTINE'S DAY CANDY GRAM

Spread kindness and love by purchasing a Candy Gram for your middle school child or their friends.

To participate:

1. Fill out ORDER FORM
2. ENCLOSE PAYMENT (cash or check payable to ACS)
3. RETURN to the MS Office in an envelope marked "Valentine's Day".

Please note:

Candy Grams are for middle school students only and orders must be returned by no later than Tuesday, February 11th.

All Candy Gram's will be distributed on Friday, February 14th, 2025.



VALENTINE GRAM ORDER FORM

Option #1 \$2.00

(Includes a heart shaped lollipop and valentine with your personal message.)

Option #2 \$4.00

(Includes a balloon on a stick in addition to a heart shaped lollipop and valentine with your personal message.)

RETURN ORDER to the Middle School Office BY NO LATER THAN: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11th, 2025

For: (full name)	Grade	Option # (1or2)	Personal Message:	From:

Total number ordered:	Total Cost:	Cash enclosed	Check payable to ACS enclosed

Barn Dance tickets are available for sale in the front office.

Take advantage of the pre-sale pricing!

Email barndancebags@atlantisawaits.com to sign up for the Bags Tourn.

Pre-registration required.

HS/MS students, get your volunteer hours in at the Barn Dance

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4DABA829ABF58-54751050-barn>

Barn Dance admission includes a dinner and drink ticket

Pre-Sale Price: February 3-February 19

Tickets available at **AHS office** or email lindsay.graumann@yahoo.com

\$5.00 child / \$10.00 Adult

At the Door Price: on Saturday, February 22

\$10.00 Child / \$15.00 Adult / Family \$75.00

Bags Tournament

Check-in 5:00pm, games start at 5:30

\$20 per team - Cash prizes, guaranteed two games

Pre-registration **REQUIRED** by February 19

Email: barndancebags@atlantisawaits.com



Dinner 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Dancing 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Dinner Ticket Includes:
Brat/Hamburger, Mac n'cheese,
Baked beans, Salad, Cookies

Line, Circle,
and Square Dancing
led by a CALLER!!

CASH BAR UNTIL 9:00 PM

Royal Parent Plant Sale is back!!!



Royal Parents

Plant Sale 2025

Orders and **PAYMENT**
due Friday, February 14th.

Orders may be returned to any ACS school.

Plants arrive just in time for
Mother's Day

Pickup will be:

Friday, May 9th 4:00 pm-6:00 pm
Saturday, May 10th 9:00 am -1:00 pm
At Saint Vincent de Paul Gymnasium

*** Selling family responsible for pickup
and delivery of plants to customers! ***

Cash or checks made out to ACS accepted.

Plants **MUST** be pre-ordered!

Thank you for your support!!!

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Contact Lindsay with any questions 715-451-6580
lindsay.graumann@yahoo.com

Assumption Catholic Schools (ACS) Royal Parents Association (RPA)

February 5th, 2024

Board of Representatives:

Jill Vruwink & Lindsay Graumann, Co-President
Tania Halbersma, Treasurer
Amanda Braaten, Secretary

Attendees:

- Jill Vruwink, Co-President
- Amanda Braaten, Secretary
- Tania Halbersma, Treasurer
- Shelley Bruley, OLQH Principal
- Sara Boyce

School Representatives:

AMS/AHS: Stacy Laramée, Tania Halbersma, Lindsay Graumann
SVDP & OLQH: Sara Boyce & Nicki Gary
St Lawrence: Amanda Braaten

Next Meeting March 5th, 2025 at 6pm-7pm AHS Library

Assumption Royals Clothing Store: <https://ink-splash.square.site/assumption-royals>

Opening Prayer	Hail Mary
Royal Parent Association Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Catholic Schools Week: Moving forward we want to make sure that our contribution to our staff is wanted. If staff have any suggestions for next year or a preference on a meal, snack, or a classroom contribution please email Amanda Braaten at braatenfamily21@gmail.com ● Clothing Orders: QR codes are around the schools and buildings for Clothing Orders have been very helpful!
Treasurer Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● New Changes: New form needed for all requests once Royal Parents approve a requests, the request then gets sent to the Central Office Finance Department ● Meeting date and time TBD to discuss the changes
Funds Requests <i>Reminder for staff and student council members that they can request funds from the RPA for schools/classrooms</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Principals and Staff: Please note the changes above, we have a new procedure to follow ● Donation Request from Matt in the Advancement Office: wondering if we want to make a donation for an online auction, consider royal wear, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BINGO themed basket
BINGO NEED SERVICE HOURS? READ THIS!!	<p>Friendly Reminder: you MUST have enough volunteers or another group will join you and funds will be split between the two groups. Please ADVERTISE for your group's date, the more players the more profit you stand to earn! We're off to a great start this year!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10/6 Senior Class \$724 ○ 10/20 Volleyball \$1400 ○ 11/3 DC Trip \$1049.50 ○ Freshman Class \$700 ○ Girls Basketball \$1200 ○ Boys Basketball \$1300

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sophomore Class \$1300 ○ Tennis Team \$1000 ○ Baseball Team \$1000 ● Progressive Jackpot currently growing! Winners will have a tax form to fill out based on the total funds won ● Upcoming Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Feb 16th: Junior Class Prom ○ March 2nd: 8th grade end of the year trip, you work, you earn money off your cost ○ March 16th: Middle School to reduce the overall cost of the yearbook ○ April 6th: Girls Soccer ○ May 4th: OLQH ○ No Bingo on Easter Sunday
<p>Upcoming Fundraisers and Events thru December 31st</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Plant Sale: Lindsay Graumann <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jill has reached out to Our Lady & Trisha G has reached out to St Alexander for announcements at each mass ○ Goal is to have a student at back of each church with an order form after each mass ● St Patrick's Day: table until next meeting ● Local Food Nights: Sara Boyce <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider Qdoba, Rocky's, Grace's, Noodles ○ El Jefe just supported something for Port Edwards; will follow up with this as well
<p>Follow Up & Next Meeting:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> St Patrick's Day will be discussed at March meeting <input type="checkbox"/> Lindsay: Flower Sales <input type="checkbox"/> Sara: Local Food Nights <input type="checkbox"/> Jill: Looking for ways to be more competitive with local schools and their version of the Royal Card
<p>What to Expect from the Royal Parents throughout the school year:</p>	<p>Teacher & Staff Meal & Snack Donations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fall Conferences: Dinner Meal - Catholic Schools Week: Breakfast Meal - Teacher Appreciation Week (Spring): Lunch Meal <p>Fundraisers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Updated monthly

Board of Directors/Parent Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 5, 2025
4:30 pm
AHS Library



Present: Daniel Minter, ACS President & Board Member
Kerry Meinel, ACS Enrollment, WPCP/SNSP Coordinator
Beth Kuhn, SV Principal and Parent
Shelley Bruley, OLQH Principal
Amber France, AMS/AHS Principal and Parent
Josh Thomas, OLQH Parent
Lindsay Graumann, OLQH, SV, AMS, AHS Parent
Fr. Schaller –Dean and Board Member was not present due to illness.

The meeting was called to order and opening prayer was led by Mr. Minter at 4:30 pm.

- Kerry Meinel gave an update on enrollment.
OLQH 100 students/ SV 87 students/ AMS 101 students/ AHS 120 students for a total enrollment of 408.
192 WPCP students 2 partial WPCP
24 SNSP students and 5 partial SNSP
- As part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program participation, ACS is required to complete a 3rd Friday in September attendance count and a 2nd Friday in January attendance count, both of which are followed up with audits(enrollment and financial).
- Enrollment/re-enrollment and WPCP applications opened on February 3rd and will run through April 17th.
- Testing information-see attached for both system wide assessments and those required for the WPCP.
- The **Finance and Education Commissions** are made up of representatives of the deanery parishes. They meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. While administrators and other employees attend the meetings, the parish representatives are the only voting members. If a parent would like to attend the Commission meeting and add an item to the agenda, they should reach out to Mr. Craig Smits, the Chair of the Commission. The list of members and meeting minutes are on the ACS website [Membership List - Assumption Catholic Schools](#) The role of these boards is advisory. Finance assists in reviewing the budget and monthly finances, while the Education Commission assists in review of policies, handbooks, and other issues that arise. The **WPCP Board of Directors** consists of Fr. Schaller and Mr. Minter. Per State requirement, Assumption Catholic Schools holds two Board of Directors meetings per year. The purpose is to inform parents on the State of the Schools, provide updates to parents, and to answer parent questions.
- Writing/updating policies and decision making falls on individual administrators, the President and the Dean. The Diocese and the DPI have policies in place that ACS abides by and builds on. An example would be summative and formative testing. The Diocese requires testing. ACS determines which assessments will be administered. The DPI requires that WPCP students take certain assessments. ACS decides whether all of our students will take these assessments. State statute requires a set number of hours of instruction per year. The DPI does not offer guidance regarding curriculum, but does require following certain initiatives like the ACT 20 Science of Reading.

Thank you to all who attended the meeting.

- The Next Board of Directors Meeting will take place in the Fall. The two meeting dates for next year will be published this summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kerry Meinel.

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Mardi Gras

Holy Rosary's Famous

“Luscious Lasagna”

Traditional or Chicken Alfredo

9x13 for \$20

8x8 for \$15 or 2 for \$25

Drive-Thru Style



Tuesday March 4th	Holy Rosary Parish 6190 Chapel Road Wis. Rapids, WI 54495	3:30 pm To 6 pm
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To place your orders please contact Melissa Mattheis at

715-435-4296 or melissamattheis@gmail.com

No Later than Friday, February 28th

RAPIDS REC SOCCER SPRING 2025 REGISTRATION

Game Dates:
April 19 & 26
May 3, 10 & 17

FIRST

Is your player **5 yrs old by 4/19/25 OR UNDER 18 on or after 5/17/25?**

Your player(s) qualifies to play Rapids Rec Soccer!

Online Registration
1/26/25 to 2/23/25

No Late Registrations will be accepted

Cost of Registration is
\$20/player made via
debit/credit card.

NO REFUNDS except for medical reasons. A doctor's note is required before the season begins with our Coaches Clinic to receive a refund.

Approved reversible Rec Soccer jersey must be worn on game days. Jerseys are \$20/each if the player does not have one.

Parents/Guardians:

- Special Coach requests noted with your player's registration will be considered but cannot be guaranteed.
- Practices are typically held once per week at the coach's discretion.
- Team switching is prohibited once finalized.
- Team standings are not recorded to alleviate the pressures of competition.
- We are fully dedicated to teaching players the fundamentals of soccer in an enjoyable, non-competitive approach.
- There is a NO JEWELRY or other accessories policy for players, with no exceptions to this rule.
- We have a zero-tolerance policy for excessive negativity on our fields by coaches, players, and spectators.

Online registration information can be found on Facebook, our website, OR scan the QR code below to register your player(s) for the upcoming soccer season:



SECOND

To keep our program affordable, we need volunteers to help us have a successful soccer season:

- **2 hrs of volunteering per family**

OR

- **Sign up to Coach**

*One player **FREE** with a refund applied at end of season commitment.

OR

- **Become a board member**

*Player(s) are **FREE** with a refund applied at end of season commitment

OR

- **Season buyout is \$100 per family**

THIRD

If you are 10 yrs old by 4/1/25, you can become a REFEREE!

Online Registration
2/1/25 to 3/31/25

For more information visit our website:

rapidsrecsoccer.com

Mandatory Training:

- Classroom — 4/14/25 from 5-7 pm @ MSTC
- Hands-On Training — 4/15/25 from 5-7 pm @ Washington Soccer Fields

FINALLY

Follow us on Facebook to receive updates and important information about the upcoming soccer season!



STEUBENVILLE ROCHESTER

JULY 11-13, 2025

Event Price: \$400
Lodging, Transportation, and
Registration included.

Open to grades 8-12

**\$100 deposit due by
February 6, 2025.**

Register with the QR Code



QUESTIONS? CONTACT



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