

May 1, 2022

Greetings St. Gregory School Families,

We are almost finished with this incredible school year! May will go by quickly and before you know it everyone will be on summer vacation. We have a lot going on during this last month of school.

May is the month of Mary, so we will be celebrating May Crowning on the 27th at 1:15pm in the church; this is a beautiful event venerating the Blessed Mother. I also want to congratulate all the kids who received their First Holy Communion last month, as well as our newly Confirmed. Mrs. Garcia has been working hard with the drama club, and they will perform on May 24th. Keep everyone in your prayers during this exciting time. Also, remember that May 14th is our Annual Auction Night. Please buy your tickets if you haven't done so already. June 1st is an important date because our Kindergartners graduate that day at 9:30 am in the church and our 8th grades at 6 pm. I want to say congratulations to all our graduates!

Last week, students in grades two through eight began taking the *Iowa Assessments* which help determine how students are performing based on nationwide standards. These assessments measure achievement in several important content areas including Vocabulary, Word Analysis, Reading, Listening, Language, Mathematics, Computation, Social Studies, and Science. The exact tests that your child takes will depend on his or her grade level. The *Iowa Assessments* also measure student growth and progress in the content areas assessed from year to year. The school will receive test scores later this month. At that time, I will share the results with you, and we will use it as one piece of data to drive our instruction.

As I mentioned last month, we have already begun the planning process as we look forward to the 2022-2023 school year. Teacher and class scheduling is underway and new textbooks are being ordered. Also, I will be looking to fill a few positions. If you know someone who may be interested in being **a substitute teacher, preschool aide, classroom aide substitute, and/or morning daycare supervisor**, please have them send me an email.

This past year proved to be wonderful, and it flew by so quickly! I want to especially thank the St. Gregory School staff. These men and women have gone above and beyond again this year which proved their love and dedication for our school. They truly love each of your children.

Please double check your FACTS account because your final tuition statement should be reflected in May. If you have any questions, please contact the school office. For those of you who applied for aid through the Bishop's Fund or SOS, you should receive notice by mid-June regarding how much you may be receiving.

Finally, I am including three links about internet safety that I came across. I hope they're helpful: [Apps](#), [Internet Safety](#), [Monitoring](#).

I would like to wish everyone a wonderful summer! I hope you have time to relax and enjoy your family, and we will see you in August.

In Christ,



Mrs. Rice