



RONCALLI

Aberdeen Catholic School System

We Serve the King..... We are Cavaliers

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GREETING FROM THE ACSS PRESIDENT

Back to School, and we are so grateful! We all probably have many memories that revolve around school. Some of my memories include walking a mile home everyday during elementary school, playing football on the playground that doubled as a parking lot for Sacred Heart Catholic Church (*Parkston*) on the weekend, and Mr. Struble's 6th grade Social Studies class—he made learning so exciting! I also remember Mr. Metz's high school Math class, playing football on Friday nights, then leaving early the next morning for Marching Band competitions.

September was filled with so many of these type of memories because I was engaged in the classroom and was encouraged to try many different things. Whether the opportunities are in the classroom, the fine arts platform, or in athletics, I hope you are encouraging your children to get involved. There are many opportunities in which they can learn to be the best version of themselves.

As we live day to day during the coronavirus, we will continue making decisions based on facts, not fear. The well being of students and staff is important to us, physically as well as spiritually and emotionally. We maintain that teaching and nurturing students is best done when they are physically in the classroom. Therefore, returning to remote learning is an option, but one that will be made only after we have exhausted all other possibilities. Having said that, we fully respect

families which have chosen the remote learning option based on their families needs. We have and will continue to deliver quality instruction to these students and have dedicated numerous hours in training for our staff to be able to meet this need.

Thank you to the entire Roncalli family for your support throughout the last six months. Numerous individuals from the Aberdeen community have expressed their admiration for the quality of work our staff has done since March. The love and support our teachers and staff received from you is key. More important, the prayers offered were so very important and continue to be critical. Please keep our students, staff and families in your prayers as we navigate our way.

God bless

Tim Weisz
ACSS President

REMINDER:

If your child is running a fever, temp over 100.4 degrees, they must be fever free for 24hrs without medication before returning to school.

If your child is tested for COVID they cannot return to school until they find out the test is negative OR after they are cleared by the Dept of Health to return if the test was positive.

Gentle

REMINDER

Fee Payments are due by **Sept. 14, 2020**, unless already paid, and tuition is due on the 1st day of each month (auto deduct is taken out on the 10th of each month). You may access your tuition and fee balances through Infinite Campus parent portal by clicking the fees tab.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Lunch checks and Tuition Checks MUST be separate. Please include the name of your student(s) on the lunch check!!!! Thank you.

RHS HOMECOMING

Sept. 28– Oct.2, details to be announced

2nd Annual Roncalli Marching Band Festival
details on pg. 3

Online Spirit Store

www.geffdog.com/stores/roncallispiritstore

For complete sports schedule go to northeastconference.com



Central Office:

(605) 226-2100

High School Office:

(605) 225-7440

Elementary School:

(605) 229-4100

Primary School:

(605) 225-3460

"Instilling Catholic values and promoting academic excellence by nurturing mind, body and soul."

Help us WELCOME our NEW ACSS FACULTY & STAFF



Ashley Brudvig
– OST Coordinator and PreK Teacher

–From Wallace, SD
–Graduated from SDSU
–in her 5th year of teaching.
Taught KG for

last 4 years in Lake Preston, SD
– Newly married to Barrett
–She is excited to meet everyone as she starts a new adventure here at Roncalli!



Jill Young
Assistant Development Director

–From Ipswich, SD
–Graduated with Bachelor's degree from Lamar University in

Beaumont, TX, and Master's of Strategic Communication from Arkansas State University
–Jill returned to the ACSS Development Office the last part of May.
–Married to Billy, teacher at Roncalli Junior High School, and mom to Roncalli students Cade and Katie
–She is looking forward to catching up with everyone and meeting the new employees!



Danielle Schmitz
1st Grade Teacher

–From Lemars, IA, Ice Cream Capital of the World
–Graduated high school

from Gehlen Catholic and college from SDSU

–Danielle comes to us from Bishop Heelan Catholic Schools in Sioux City, IA where she has taught 1st grade the last two years.
–She is looking forward to being a part of the Roncalli family and to teach and inspire students not only academically but spiritually as well.



Ellen Kramp
Preschool Assistant

–From Mitchell, SD
–Went to Dakota Wesleyan University
–Sister to 4 brothers and

3 sisters and blessed to be mom of 5 girls: Kathryn, Kara, Khloe, Kamilla, and Kendalyn
– She is looking forward to learning a new job and being part of an amazing team!

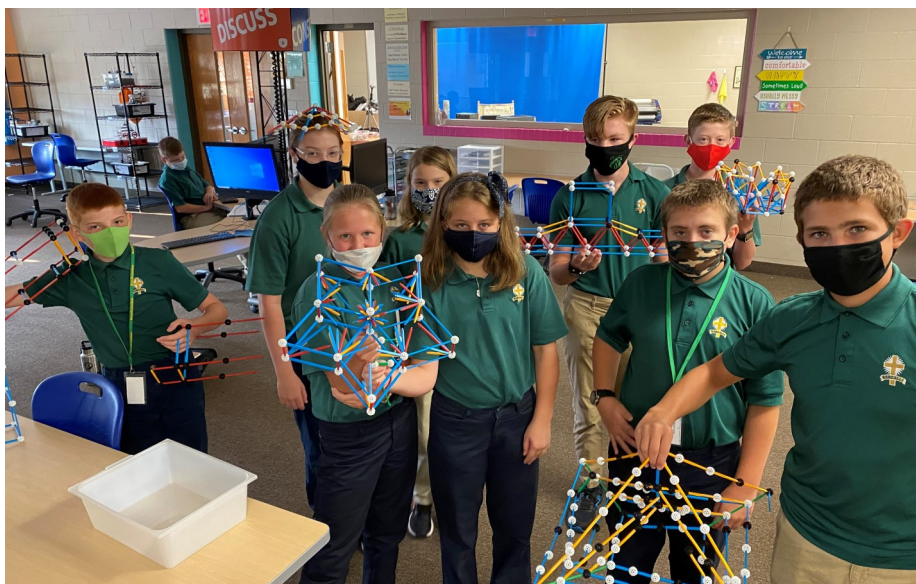
LEGO LEAGUE:

MS. VEAL INVITES ANY 4TH, 5TH OR 6TH GRADER INTERESTED IN LEGO LEAGUE TO CONTACT HER!

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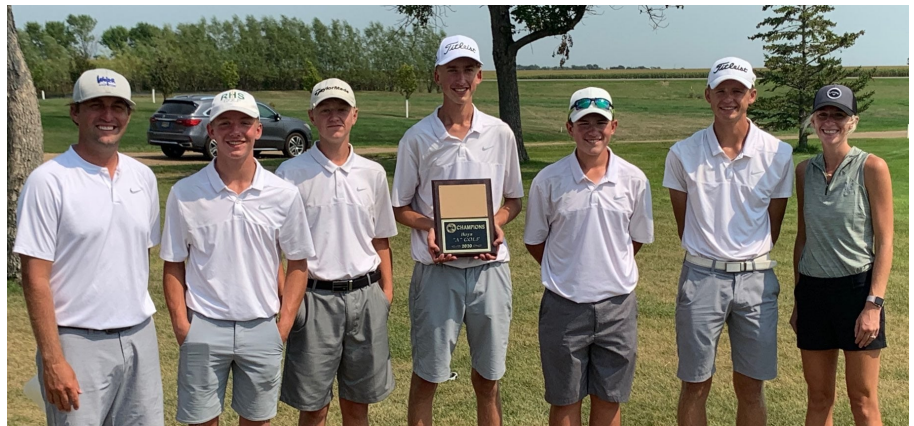
BACK TO SCHOOL AND BACK TO STREAM with Mr. Larson, top and Mrs. Goscicki. Students from Mrs. G's 7th grade class is pictured below.



CONGRATULATIONS

To the Boys Cavalier Golf Team who won the Northeast Conference Golf Tournament last week with a team score of 312.

Micah Dohrer -2nd, Mason Carrels-3rd, Jackson Henrich-6th, Sawyer Henrich-8th. Pictured here from left-right: Coach Jon Murdy, Mason Carrels, Sawyer Henrich, Jackson Henrich, Andrew Gerlach, Micah Dohrer, Asst. Coach Rachel Murdy. Go Cavs!



To the 20-21 National Honor Society Inductees: left-right, front row: Halle Kuck, Allie Morgan, Hayley Schmidt, Anna Schmidt, Sidney Hansen, Brinna Zikmund, Alexandra Muller, next row up: Morgan Fiedler, Olivia Hanson, Elizabeth Russell, Ella Ulmer, Jemini Cantalope, Chloe Bent, Capri Hellwig, Elissa Hammrich, next row up: William Goscicki, Simon Bickford, Dawson Brandner, Jackson Henrich, Grey Imbery, top row: Olivia Ulmer, Sophia Madsen, Miyah Cardella, Maesa May, Sarah Mitzel, Rose Gutenkauf, McKenna Weekly, Jeci Ewart, Lindsay Scott

Thank you, Father Andrew Dickinson, Father Michael Kapperman and Father Michael Griffin for your presence in our schools and involvement with the students. You are a gift! We praise God for your priesthood and the gifts you share. Please keep these priests (*in a special way, new priest Fr. Kapperman*) and all our spiritual leaders in your prayers as they continue to work for the Kingdom of God!!!! Also, please keep the RHS Senior Class as they go on retreat Sept. 20-21. Come Holy Spirit.

RHS HOMECOMING 2020: September 28-October 2

Details of the week are being finalized and will be announcement soon.

Details we do have:

2nd Annual Roncalli Marching Band Festival Wednesday, September 30 at 9:30am

Twelve area bands will be performing, including our own Marching Cavaliers and the NSU Marching Band.

The route begins by Presentation College. Bands will march east on 15th Avenue to the Roncalli High School parking lot. Awards will be presented in the Roncalli High School parking lot following the parade of bands.



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Aberdeen Roncalli

THANK YOU.....

A message from Caroline Kline, Rose Kraft and Deb Dix.

We wish to thank all the students, parents and faculty for the lovely Retirement Party the end of July. We are also grateful for the e-mails, cards, gifts and good wishes upon our retirement. The years fly by so quickly. It has been an honor and privilege to have worked with all the wonderful students, staff and faculty throughout the years.

God bless all of you,

Caroline, Rose, Deb

Very grateful to the gentlemen from Troop #359 (pictured below) who worked hard this summer to clear weeds and brush in front of the high school. L to R: Josh Falken, Brody Weinmeister, Logan Cybulski, Parker Grieben, Bryce Falken, Anthony Miller and Keegan Miller.



ACSS 20-21 Help Take a Child to School Days

September 18, 2020

October 16, 2020

November 13, 2020

December 11, 2020

January 22, 2021

February 19, 2021

March 26, 2021

April 16, 2021

May 7, 2021

On these special no uniform days, every student wishing to participate is asked to bring \$1 and is not required to wear a uniform for the day. Money collected is put into the **Take a Child to School** fund to help provide tuition assistance to families with financial need.



Positive Thoughts from
Mrs. Andera, RES

The assignment was simply, write a paragraph about your first week of school. Here is what one new little cherub wrote:

"This week I started a new school. I am excited to have awesome teachers and friends. ...I am so happy to be at Roncalli. It is truly an amazing school. I hope this school year is awesome and I can make and meet new friends."



Join us on **Wednesday, September 2nd from 4 - 5pm** for a Facebook Live fundraising event supporting the Roncalli Back on Track campaign. Terry Dosch and Brady Lesnar will host conversations with guests from the Roncalli family. Steven Lust Automotive will also be presenting a special gift to the Back on Track campaign.

Event Donation Match.....An anonymous donor has stepped up and created an awesome opportunity for the campaign. **The first \$5,000 dollars raised during the live event will be matched and doubled.** This is a great chance to have your dollars go further and raise an additional \$10,000 for the project!

FEATURED GUESTS INCLUDE:

- Fr. Kapperman
- Terry Dosch - Co-Athletic Director and Former Coach
 - Brady Lesnar - Head Cross Country Coach
- Justin Feickert - Class of 99 - Former track athlete and owner of QQP
 - Jake Hamik - Class of 04 - Former track athlete
 - John Kersten - Class of 71 - Former track athlete
 - Coach Jeff Sahli - Roncalli Pole Vault Coach
 - Anna Schmidt - Roncalli Senior
- Lee Keller - Roncalli parent with Steven Lust Automotive
 - Tim Weisz - ACSS President
 - Corey Helms - School Board President



Roncalli HALL OF FAME

2020 Induction Banquet

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, RONCALLI HIGH SCHOOL
 REGISTRATION AND SOCIAL HOUR: 5:30 PM
 DINNER: 6:30 PM
 CEREMONY TO FOLLOW

The Aberdeen Catholic School System is honored to announce the 2020 Roncalli Hall of Fame Inductees:

Arts and Academics – Brigadier General Jeff Hurlbert, Class of 1987
 Athletics – Cary Hornaman, Class of 1975
 Benefactors and Founders – Ken and Dee Fiedler Family
 Employees – Rose Kraft, 39-year Employee
 Volunteer Service – Todd Zens, Class of 1981

INDIVIDUAL TICKETS \$35
 SUPPORTER SPONSOR \$300
 FOUR TICKETS AND RECOGNITION IN VARIOUS PROMOTIONS.
 TABLE SPONSOR \$500
 EIGHT TICKETS AND RECOGNITION IN VARIOUS PROMOTIONS.
 CALL 605-226-2100 BEFORE SEPTEMBER 23 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT.




MESSAGE FROM LUNCH TIME SOLUTIONS

As we proceed through this pandemic, we will continue to be transparent and up front with our customers. Production of some items we typically offer on our menus has been halted or delayed due to impacts related to COVID-19. Supplier shortages on some items have forced us to transition to alternatives that kids enjoy, and in a few cases, we have had to temporarily remove items from our menus. We are hopeful this is a short-term solution. Until things improve in the supply chain, we will continue making the best menu choices we can for your students.

One of the most significant changes your students may notice is that the classic rectangle lunch pizza has been temporarily replaced with a wedge/triangle-shape pizza. The taste and nutritional value are the same but, due to demand, the facility preparing the pizza has discontinued making the rectangle shape for a time. You may see rectangle or triangle as we work to source products.

Another supply chain challenge is the shortage and/or no availability of certain kinds of deli meat. Due to this shortage, your PreK-5 students may see some prepackaged sub sandwiches included in our menu offerings. They were popular in our student taste tests and meet all nutritional requirements.

We are making these changes to accomplish the following:

- Offer several menu options to students that they enjoy eating
- Utilize the deli meat we can procure as an ingredient in other items for various grade levels such as Snackables and subs, which are very popular with students we serve
- Supply individually packaged items that have not been touched or opened for additional safety
- Utilize items in a “Meals To Go” program for students who need to grab a meal

outside, even if they are not in school due to virtual learning

- Styrofoam and to-go containers of any kind are also a challenge to source. We are doing our best to package items in ways that are safe and uphold the integrity of the food. This will influence what we are able to serve for “Meals to Go” and in situations where students are not going through a line.
- Some of these manufacturer decisions are directly related to schools being closed abruptly in March and not re-opening until August or September. Because production was halted for an extended period, manufacturers had to make decisions on how to best focus their production efforts. We are confident many companies will resume production of these products once they are fully staffed, and schools are back in full session. Until then, we are doing our best to focus on products of high quality and great taste that also mitigate risk and, most importantly, are what students like to eat.
- Thank you for your flexibility as we work through supplier issues and shortages. Our goal is to always provide nutritious, delicious options that our student customers enjoy. That has not changed. We are putting all our creative efforts and energy into making sure you are still receiving the level of service and quality menu options you and your students desire.

If you have any questions or wish to speak about this, please feel free to contact me at 712-251-0427 or d.winter@lunchtimesolutions.com.

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Ken's SuperFair Foods gives us 1% back for most purchases through their Ken's Karing for Kids program. Turn in your Ken's receipts to your child's school or box located in Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Parishes.

Kessler's Dollars for Scholars program gives us 1% back for most purchases. Turn in your Kessler's receipts to your child's school or box located in Sacred Heart and St. Mary's Parishes.



Drop empty aluminum cans off at RHS. The CAN trailer is located behind the high school.

**Show off your Cavalier
Pride! License plate decals
are available in the ACSS
Central Office - \$10/pair!**



Donate to and shop at this thrift store - all proceeds benefit Roncalli directly. They are a great resource for gently used uniforms, too!



Like to shop online?
Use Amazon Smile and designate the Aberdeen Catholic School System as your charitable organization. ACSS receives a percentage of all your Amazon purchases!



Look for Box Tops for Education on General Mills products. Simply clip them and send them to your child's school or drop them off at the box at St. Mary's or Sacred Heart.
OR - download the 'Box Tops' phone app, locate Roncalli, and scan your receipts. Roncalli automatically gets the points!

Did you know . . .
tuition and fees cover less than 50% of the actual cost of a child's education at Roncalli? Help bridge the gap by supporting these programs!



PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

The purpose of the Roncalli PTO is to: Organize educational and fun opportunities for students, teachers and parents and hold fundraising events to provide support to our school system, teachers and sponsored activities. All parents of PreK-6th grade students are members of the PTO.

KICK OFF MEETING: SEPT. 14 @ 7PM at RES

Thank you to the PTO members who helped create the PTO Calendars, they look great!

Vicki McComsey & Michael Merkel

pto@aberdeennroncalli.org



While the Cavalry supports all activities and athletics at Roncalli, they specifically focus on the students and parents in 7-12 grade. If you would like to get involved please contact Will Griffin, Will3897@icloud.com

Green and Gold Memberships are available to purchase in the Central Office, 226-2100. Details on our website

<http://www.aberdeennroncalli.org/athletics/cavalry>

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Join us for the annual



Saturday, Sept. 19

4-person Scramble at Lee Park Golf Course
All proceeds benefit Aberdeen Catholic School System

Confirm your spot to golf today!

TEAM ENTRY \$500

Individual Entry \$125

includes cart, golf, and food

8:00 a.m. – registration/light breakfast

9:00 a.m. – shotgun start

1:30-2:00 p.m. – awards/prizes announced

Food available on the course throughout the day

Not part of a foursome?
We can match you up!

Call ACSS Development Office at 226-2100,
jill.young@aberdeennroncalli.org
for details

Games, contests, prizes and a golf cart raffle.
The event supports technology expenses at the
ACSS.

VOLUNTEERS:

CMG CONNECT website

<https://siouxfalls.cmgconnect.org>

If you will be driving or volunteering in the classroom you must complete the requirements of our school Safe Environment Program. We work under the directives of the Catholic Diocese of Sioux Falls. The Online Safe Environment System is called **CMG Connect**. Each volunteer is asked to complete all the requirements to be clear to volunteer in the classroom or serve as a volunteer driver. If you are a first time volunteer there is a training sheet found on the school website to get you started, click the **ACADEMICS** tab then the **FORMS** tab. Please contact Mrs. Heller in the Central Office with questions or problems (226-2100). The required steps are listed below. If you are a returning volunteer and don't remember your Username or password contact Mrs. Heller, please do not create a new profile!!!!

-Online Training Program- This is required each year. There is a certificate of completion you can send to Mrs. Heller or simply email her with notice that you are done.
michala.heller@aberdeeronclli.org.

-Background check- conducted through the Diocese every 6 years. **DO NOT** do this on the CMG website unless you are a brand new volunteer or are a veteran volunteer who has been notified your background check has expired!!!!

-Volunteer Driver Form- please complete and turn into your school secretary before you transport any students. The secretaries have forms at their desks or you can access on the school website, click the **ACADEMICS** tab then the **FORMS** tab.

SCHOOL MASS SCHEDULE

RES- Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish

RHS- Wednesdays at 9:15 a.m. Roncalli High School

RPS- Thursdays at 12:20 p.m. St Mary's Parish (only students & staff are able to attend at this time)

NOVENA TO ST. THOMAS AQUINAS....for our school

Please join us in praying a Novena to St. Thomas Aquinas, patron saint of Catholic Schools. We will be praying for the students, staff and families of ACSS as well as for abundant spiritual and financial blessings and increased enrollments.

The Novena prayer will be prayed nine days the beginning of each month, September through May. The prayer takes only about 5 minutes a day. We will start this Friday, Sept. 1.

So, to clarify: September, October, November, December, January, February, March, April and May we will be doing this novena on the 1-9th each month.

If you are interested in joining, please email Jill Young. She would like to keep track of how many people we have taking part.

Here are some FAQs about novenas: <http://www.praymorenovenas.com/faqs/>

Here is the St. Thomas Aquinas novena: <http://www.praymorenovenas.com/st-thomas-aquinas-novena/>