

TAKE HOME TUESDAY 12/7/2021

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 8th: Immaculate Conception

December 10th: Last Day for the Canned Food Drive

December 13th: \$2.00 Dress Down Day

December 15th: PK-2nd graders Eucharistic Adoration-2:25 pm Church

December 16th: Christmas Program- 2:00 and 6:30 pm Church

December 17th: Noon Dismissal/No PM Pre-K



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UPDATES AND REMINDERS

News:

Pick Up: Lately, we have had more and more students not picked up in a timely manner. Students need to be picked up by 3:30 each day. We regularly have 5-10 students here at school until 3:45-4:00 which is after staff contracted hours. We understand that life happens sometimes, but if you do know you will be late, please give us a call to let us know your estimated time of arrival. If this continues and your child is 12 or under, we will require you to sign up for our after school care. Not only that, we are starting to see people picking up/dropping off in the fire lane again. I know the weather is getting colder, but students should be properly dressed to walk to the front door. You will be asked to move if you are picking up or dropping off in the fire lane.

Christmas Mass: Our Christmas Eve Masses have plenty of volunteers to hand out books. THANK YOU! To those who have volunteered. I will not be at every Mass, so if you have volunteered, I will send you an email with instructions before Christmas Eve. We are still in need of Christmas Day volunteers at 9 am. We currently only have one volunteer for that day and could use at least three more. Email me at efinley@stbernardomaha.org if you, your student, or your family would like to volunteer.

Change of School Board Meeting: The school board meeting has changed dates to December 15th at 6:30 pm in the library. If you wish to address the school board please email schoolboard@stbernardomaha.org.

Final Days for Canned Food Drive! This Friday the canned food drive will finish! Bring in any last minute items to get your student's class ahead!

Dress for Christmas Program: Please have your students wear Sunday best for the Christmas program next Thursday. If they have Christmas colors, that is even better! If students do not have any dress clothes, their uniform is fine.

Ivy League Sports Academy: The Ivy League Youth Sports Academy has reached out to us at St. Bernard. This sports academy is now open for girls in 4-8th grade volleyball. Ivy League is dedicated to providing girls with an affordable way to learn and grow in their volleyball skills, especially for girls in North and Northwest Omaha. The cost is \$150 per child, but there are needs based scholarships also available. See the attached flyer for more information. We already have a few St. Bernard's girls that play for them!

St. Bernard Sports Registration: Soccer and Mini Tigers Basketball registration are now open. See the attached flyers for more information.

Reminders:

Smart Watches and AirPods: We have never had smart watches or wireless headphones become a distraction or be used inappropriately, however, we are seeing a lot of students not using these appropriately, so we will no longer allow wireless/bluetooth earbuds to be used without a teacher's approval for an educational reason and we will not

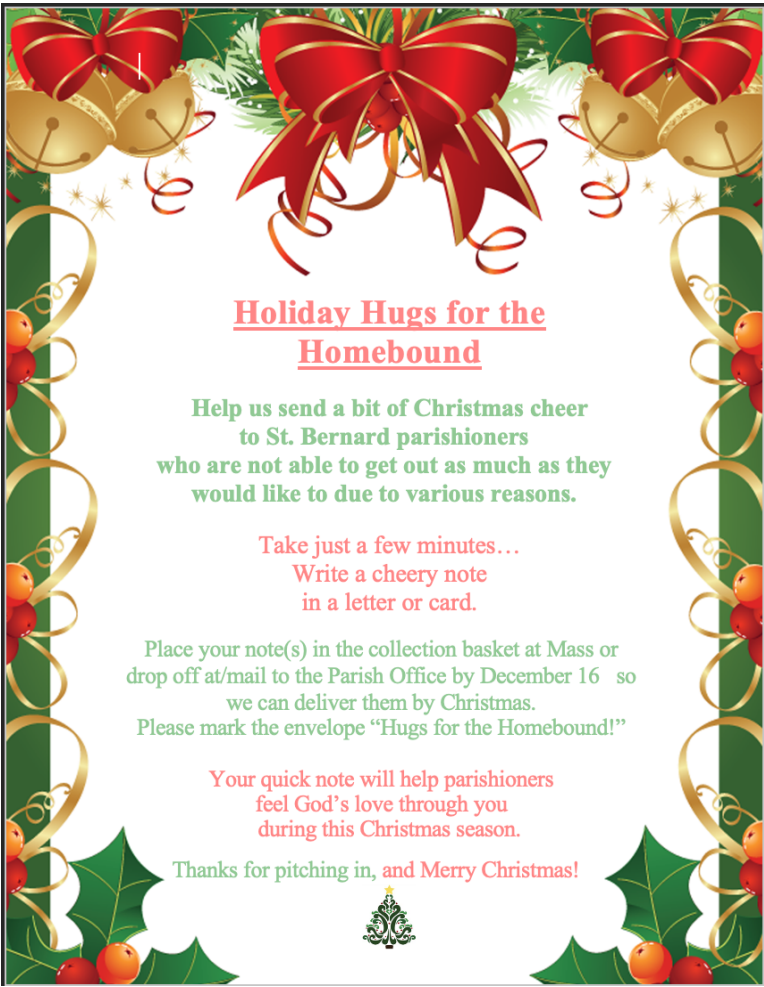
allow any smart watches. Not only have we found students listening to music throughout their entire day unbeknownst to their teachers, but any test that is taken while wearing a smart watch is null and void, especially the tests that are required of us by the state. If students are wearing wireless headphones without their teacher's approval, which would only be in the classroom, or if they are wearing a smartwatch, these will be confiscated until the end of the day for the first offense and students will earn a demerit or color change. The second offense, a parent will have to come pick up the item(s) and the student will earn a demerit or color change. After that, we will handle technology misuse on a case by case basis in accordance with our Technology Acceptable Use Policy signed at the beginning of the year.

Uniforms: Today is the first day after spirit wear pick up that students were required to be in uniform. Any student not wearing their correct uniform will be sent to the office to call home to send in their correct uniform. If they do not have a correct uniform, they will earn a demerit or color change for being out of uniform.

Hugs for Homebound: During this Advent season we enjoy time with friends and family, however, we have many parishioners who are not able to be with their friends and family as they are homebound. This is a hard time of year for people who are unable to leave their homes. They often feel alone and forgotten. Let's not let that happen this year. Please consider writing a Christmas card to our homebound parishioners. You can drop it off at school and the rectory will send them out. See the attached flyer for more details.

Cold Weather and Recess: Winter is about here, so please send your students to school in winter coats, hats, and gloves. Students will go outside for recess unless the outside temperature feels like 10 degrees or below. If they are not properly dressed they would have to miss out on recess time which is vital to a successful day of learning.

Christmas Program CHANGES: Because of a communication error between the school and church, the day of the Christmas program will be moved to **Thursday, December 16th**. Also, there has been a misunderstanding when it comes to seating. We will not be kicking anyone out, but arriving late may mean you don't get a seat and need to be standing room only. Participants need to arrive by 6:15, please! Your child will sit with you and be called to the sacristy when the group ahead of them is called up to perform. There will be an earlier rehearsal for those that can't make it at 2:00 pm in the Church. We will also be Zooming the later performance for any relatives that are unable to attend.



The Combine is a unique program for all skill levels preparing girls for competitive volleyball!

WHEN

January 8 to April 2, 2022

WHO

4th & 5th Graders:

Mondays
6p to 7:45p
Saturdays
9a to 10:30a

6th, 7th, & 8th Graders:

Thursdays
6p to 7:45p
Saturdays
10:30a to Noon

WHERE

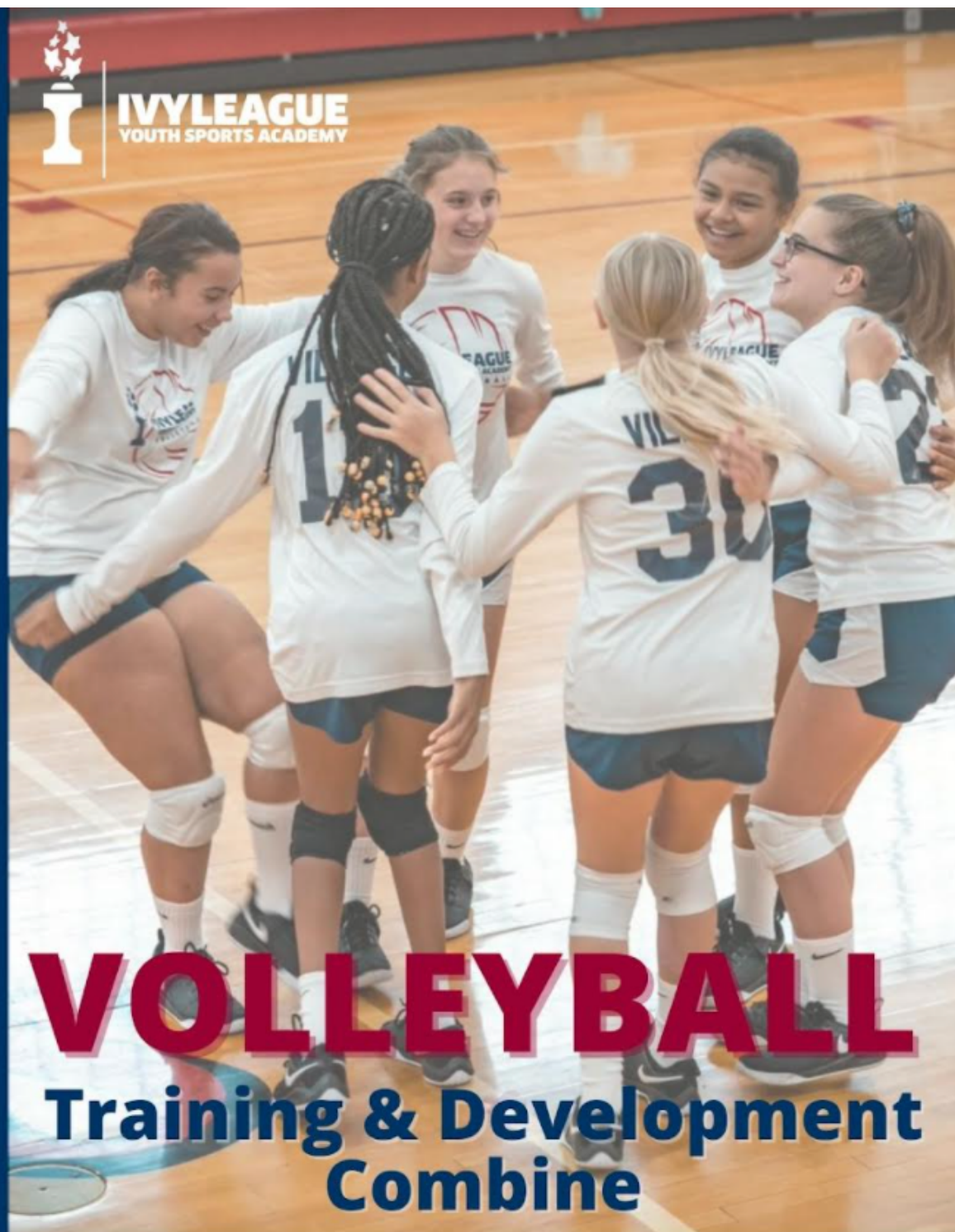
Nathan Hale
Middle School

Registration Fee \$150
Need-based scholarships
available!

Ivy League Youth Sports Academy is committed to building critical skills, increasing volleyball IQ, and creating fun and valuable competitions in a safe and supportive environment!



IVY LEAGUE
YOUTH SPORTS ACADEMY



VOLLEYBALL

Training & Development Combine

Learn more & register **NOW**
through December 10 @
www.ivyleaguesportsacademy.org

"Loved the excitement and confidence my daughter gained. After each practice she was always excited to show me what she learned!" - 2021 Parent



SCAN ME



Spring Soccer

- Available for grades PreK through 8th Grade
- Practice times vary per coach schedule
- Season from March through May
- Games will start the End of March and run until the Friday of Memorial day weekend

\$60 Registration Fee

Register online at

<https://www.stbernardomaha.org/parish/athletic-registration/>

**Questions? - Call or email Michele at
402-657-1389 or bernardsathletics@gmail.com**

MUST REGISTER BY JANUARY 20!



**REGISTER
ONLINE NOW!**

Mini Tiger Basketball

The clinic will focus on developing basic fundamentals such as dribbling, passing, shooting, and staying in a defensive stance. Players will rotate through specific skill stations. We stress the importance of hard work, communication, and a positive attitude while maintaining a fun environment. Students will also play a game at the end of each session. We also have the ability to lower our baskets for our younger players!

Sundays for 4 Weeks!

January 9, 16, 23, 30

12-1 PM in the Gym

Pre-K - 2nd Grade Girls and Boys

\$25 Registration Fee

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MUST REGISTER BY January 6, 2022!!!