



SCB Newsletter November 4, 2024

"Democracy is the government of the people, by the people, for the people."
-Abraham Lincoln

SCB Families,

As we ready ourselves for the results of the election to unfold, I want to take a moment to address the broader significance of this moment for our school community. Elections can stir strong emotions, and it's natural for each of us to feel a deep connection to the outcome.



The results of this election, whether in our personal favor or not, are part of a much larger democratic process that has endured for more than 200 years. What is far more significant than any one election is the idea that we, as Americans, have the freedom and the responsibility to participate in shaping our country's future. This freedom is something that unites us, regardless of which candidates we support or how we vote. It is a testament to our shared values of democracy, fairness, and respect for all voices.

At SCB, we believe in fostering an environment where students are encouraged to think critically for themselves, engage respectfully, and appreciate and learn about the diversity of perspectives that make our nation strong. We also realize that the large span of age ranges of our students bring different ways of engaging (or not) with political discourse. All of these we take seriously and we are dedicated to having a place where all classrooms engage appropriately for the ages of the students we are responsible for.

As we move forward together, let's focus on what brings us together — our shared responsibility as citizens, our belief in the power of Catholic education, and our dedication to the well-being of our students. Ultimately, it is not the outcome of any election that defines us, it is rather in the ways we come together to support each other and our children; spiritually, emotionally and academically.

Thank you for being part of our vibrant school community. I remain grateful for the trust and partnership you provide us every day. Do not hesitate to reach out if you need anything, I'm here to help in any way I can.

Blessings to you and yours,

Beth O'Reilly
Principal, SCB

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School Happenings

Upcoming Events:

November:

November 6 - SCOPE Coffee Hour
November 6 - All School Mass
November 7 - Veterans Day Assembly @ 1:45pm in the Church
November 8 - No School
November 9 - Chess Tournament
November 11 - No School
November 13 - Auction Shirt Day
November 13 - Primary Division Mass
November 13 - School Musical Preview
November 13 - Chipotle Takeover
November 14 & 15 - Honk! the Musical @ 6:30 PM (Tickets available below.)
November 16 - Honk! the Musical & Dinner Theater @ 5:30PM (Tickets available below.)
November 19 - SCOPE Meeting @ 6:30 PM
November 20 - Ladies Bunco Night (Details to come!)
November 21 - School Commission Meeting @ 5PM
November 22 - SCB Spirit Shirt Day
November 25 - 29 - No School: Thanksgiving Holiday



December:

December 4 - All School Mass and Blessing of the Advent Wreaths NEW DATE!
December 6 - First Trimester Ends
December 6 - Shoe Liturgy @ 1:45 PM
December 6 - Yule Ball (7th & 8th grade students) NEW DATE!
December 9 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception - All School Mass NEW DATE!
December 11 - Middle School Mass NEW DATE!
December 11 - Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal @ 1:30PM
December 12 - Christmas Pageant and Advent Tree Festival @ 7PM
December 13 - Christmas Sweater Day
December 14 - Choir sings at the Grotto in Portland, OR
December 19 - School Commission Meeting @ 5PM
December 20 - All School Mass
December 20 - Noon Dismissal - No After School Care
December 23 - January 3 - Christmas Break - No School
December 31 - Financial Aid Applications Due

Please see the following link for the detailed school calendar:

['24-'25 Detailed School Calendar](#)

Spread Joy, Give Hope-

Supporting our St. Charles Students
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION ANNUAL FUND 2024-2025

Ways to Give:

- You will receive a donation/pledge card this week with a letter requesting your participation. Your contribution can be made at any time.
- We gladly accept cash, checks, credit cards, stock transfers, and company matched gifts.
- Do donate online, give the button below:

Annual Fund Goals

100%

PARTICIPATION SUPPORT

\$200,000

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Donate to our Annual Fund
Campaign

Thank You!

Our current total is:

\$78,062

for the 2024-2025 Annual Fund!

Every donation is important!

Many small donations become a large donation. You might also consider a monthly donation over the next 9 months; a donation of \$25 a month becomes \$225 after 9 months.

All donations, whether large or small, are
needed and welcomed!



More SCB News and Information

Quick Notes:

Congratulations to our Shoes for the Children Design Winner:

Congratulations to Avery R. in 7th grade for designing the winning logo for this year's Shoes for the Children program!

Auction Photos:

We will be continuing Auction Photos tomorrow. If



your child has not been photographed, we will do our best to get them in tomorrow. We will also be starting cousin photos tomorrow as well.

Lunch Menu:

Please see the lunch menu online: [November Lunch Menu](#)

Virtus (Safe Environment) Training:

In order to volunteer on campus, you must have completed the Virtus Training. If you have completed the initial training, be sure to log into your account to make sure you are up to date with the background check and all modules! Please visit

the following link to get started: [Virtus Training](#)

SCB Social:

Please also send us your photos/videos of your child participating in any school related events, extra-curricular activities or on an adventure to scbsocial@stcharlesb.org We love highlighting our students!



The Musical Tale of the Ugly Duckling - Honk! Tickets are Now Available

Tickets are now available for our musical.

Musical Dates & Times:

- Thursday, November 14 @ 6:30pm
- Friday, November 15 @ 6:30pm
- Saturday, November 16 @ 5pm - Dinner Theater

[Purchase your tickets here!](#)

Christmas Wreaths are Available!

Support Boy Scouts Troop 294 and purchase your Christmas wreaths.

Wreath pick up will be at St. Charles:

- Saturday, December 7th from 5:30pm - 6:30pm
- Sunday, December 8th from 8:30am - 1:00pm

[Purchase your wreaths here!](#)

SUPPORT SCB BOY SCOUT TROOP 294!

Christmas WREATH SALE



Support the Troop by sending a wreath to a loved one!
For delivery direct to home, or out of the area, order here:
<https://lynchcreekfundraising.com/campaigns/496783>

ORDER ONLINE: WWW.SCBTROOP294.COM



Basketball Registration is Open

If your 2nd grade - Middle School student is interested in playing basketball, please be sure to register them here:

[Basketball Registration](#)

2nd - 5th students must be registered by November 10th

Middle School Girls must be registered by November 29th

Uniform Turn in:

Please turn in the fall volleyball and cross-country uniforms to the front office in a ziplock bag with your name - the seasons are over!

Basketball uniform handouts coming soon.

SCB Gives Back

Shoes for the Children

The Shoe Liturgy will take place on
Friday, December 6th at 1:45pm

Beginning this weekend at masses,
members of our community can
purchase shoes before and after school or
at weekend Masses.



In addition, because of the new drop-off and pick-up procedures, we will also have a google form to purchase shoes as well. These shoes will be delivered to your student's class each Friday. If you choose to purchase in this way, we will select the shoes for you. Your FACTS account will be charged for your purchase.

To purchase shoes click on the following link: [Shoe Order Form](#)

There is a GREAT need this year. Please prayerfully consider purchasing more than 1 pair of shoes if possible.

Shoes can then be taken home and stuffed with small useful items, such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, socks, pens, pencils, hairbrushes, soap, etc. or brought as-is to the Liturgy.

All shoes that are brought and presented at The Shoe Liturgy are bought specifically for a child in the Pierce County area. Shoes sizes have been sent to us from our Parish, agencies, and counselors who work with families needing assistance. At the beginning of December, we will collectively present the shoes during a Liturgy at the Church.



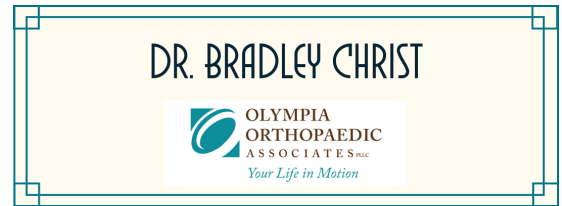
Snack Bars Donations

We are also collecting canned goods for the month October to support the St. Charles' and St. Leo's Food Banks.

SCB Goes Gatsby Information

Presented by Patriot Fire Protection

Thank you to our Auction Sponsors!



Auction Sponsorships are Available!

Auction Sponsorship Packets were sent home in Friday Folders. We have both Auction Underwriting Sponsorships and Event Night Sponsorships Available.

For more information, you can also visit our sponsorship page on the auction website: [Auction Sponsorship Opportunities](#)

Auction party Ladies' Bunco Night

Join us for a night of sipping wine and playing Bunco!
Meet new friends and reconnect with familiar faces at
Ladies' Bunco Night

Date: Wednesday, November 20th
Time: 6:30 PM
Location: Hidden Harbor Wine Library (Gig Harbor)
Cost: \$45
Hosted by: Erin Gatherum and Lauren Morris

[Click here to purchase your ticket!](#)

LADIES' BUNCO NIGHT



Auction Most Wanted Items for November Restaurant Gifts of \$100 value or more

We are looking for restaurant gift cards valued at \$100 or more.

Some ideas include: Anthony's, Bar Bistro, Brix 25, Copper & Salt, El Gaucho, Farm 12, The Koi, Le Sel Bistro, Moctezuma's Pomodoro, The Powder Room, Primo Grill, Stanley & Seaforts

If you are willing to make a donation, please complete our online form here: [Donate an Item](#) or email auction@stcharlesb.org

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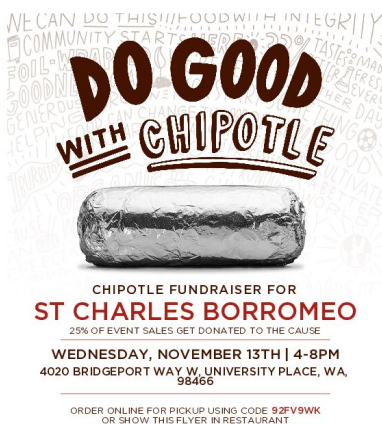
SCOPE is our parent/teacher organization.
SCOPE stands for St. Charles Organization of Parents & Educators.

This is a great way to get involved in the school and community, find out about events, and meet new families. We would love for you to join us!



Join us for coffee before all
school Mass

Join us in Feist Hall to
enjoy a cup of coffee
before all school mass!
This is a great way to



CHIPOTLE
For online orders to count toward the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$100 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

Order Chipotle next
Wednesday, Nov. 13th
& earn money for SCB!



Join us for the November
SCOPE Meeting!

Join us Tuesday,
November 19th for this
month's SCOPE Meeting.

connect with
other SCB parents before
heading to mass with our
students.

Next Wednesday,
November 13th,
25% of each Chipotle order
in University Place will
come back to St Charles!

This is open to all St.
Charles' parents and
guardians.

Let us know you are
coming by RSVP'ing [here!](#)

When ordering online use
code: 92FV9WK

Flyers will go home in this
week's Friday Folders!



SCOPE Volunteer Opportunities

Open Positions for the 2024-2025 School Year:

We have several ways to get involved. If you are interested in
serving in any of the open positions, please sign up here:
[SCOPE Open Positions](#)

2025-2026 Enrollment Open House Information



Enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is open
for new students!

Applications have opened for new students for the 2025-2026
academic year. We will open reenrollment for current students
after Christmas.

If you have a new student who you would like to enroll for the
2025-2026 school year, please be sure to fill out an application for them. This includes
siblings of current students.

[Apply here!](#)

Open House Information

If you know anyone who is interested in St. Charles,
please encourage them to attend one of our Open
Houses.

These are for students from Toddler - 8th grade.



OPEN HOUSE DATES

2024

OCTOBER 15TH
OCTOBER 29TH
NOVEMBER 12TH
NOVEMBER 19TH
DECEMBER 3RD
DECEMBER 10TH
DECEMBER 17TH

2025

JANUARY 7TH
JANUARY 21ST
FEBRUARY 4TH
MARCH 4TH
MARCH 11TH

Join us!

ALL OPEN HOUSES ARE FROM 9AM-11AM.
EVENING TOURS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS FOR 25-26 ARE OPEN!



Financial Aid Applications are open for the 2025-2026 School Year

All applicants for tuition scholarships must complete the online **FACTS Grant & Aid** application by December 31, 2024 for the 2025-2026 school year for Fulcrum scholarships.

The application will be posted on the Fulcrum Foundation's website on October 1, 2024. Please

click [here](#) to be directed to the online application.

SCB Volunteer Opportunities

2024-2025 Volunteer Opportunities

- **Playground Help:** Volunteer to Help on the Playground
- **Health Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Health Room
- **Lunch Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Lunch Room
- **Shoes for the Children:** Volunteer to Sell Shoes for the Shoe Liturgy



Counselor Corner



If you would like your student to spend time with Mrs. Nelson, please fill out the **Counseling Request Form**

If you are interested in getting a referral through our Care Solace partnership, please contact Mrs. Nelson.

Parish News

MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Need volunteer hours or just want to give back to our community?

We need your help!



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23
9:15 AM TO ~12 PM | FEIST HALL
(ENTER THROUGH GATED LOT DOOR)

Your help is needed to lift boxes and load and push carts to assist our deliverers to their cars.

Contact Jessica to sign up!
253-564-5185 ext. 3013 | jquan@stcharlesb.org



St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School

7112 South 12th Street

Tacoma, WA 98465

253-564-5185

Our newsletters are also on our website- check it out!

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