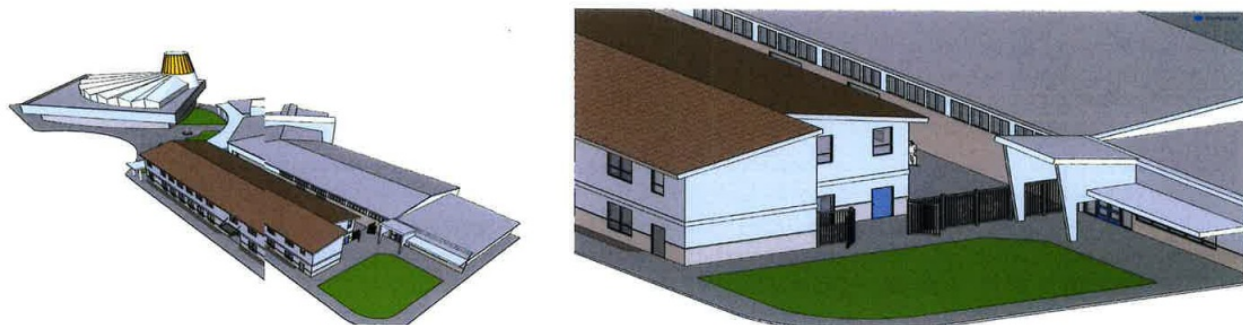




SCB Newsletter October 21, 2024

"Space is the breath of art." - Frank Lloyd Wright

Looking from the School Entrance



SCB Families,

Greetings from the front office. It is hard to believe but November is just around the corner! The rainy pickups and drop offs are starting - we really appreciate your diligence as we move through the crowded, now wet, parking lots.

I figured this week would be a good time to give you an update on our building projects. We are about a week out from finishing the HVAC work in our convent, which will get us to final permitting review and then occupancy of our new preschool room out in our remodeled convent. The space is going to be beautiful - it is large, and open, and a perfect place for our littlest learners to learn and grow.

Regarding our big parish building out front, we are making progress in our basement, as you can see walls and other retaining structures being put in place. Father Mike has provided an update to the project, which I have attached [here](#). Right now, per our schedules, it will more than likely be January 2026 before we have occupancy and people will be holding meetings, etc in our new space. So, in the interim, we continue to watch and wait and pray for good weather for our construction partners as they continue to grow our campus.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at conferences this week!

Blessings to you and yours.

St. Charles Borromeo, Pray for us.

Beth O'Reilly
Principal, SCB

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School Happenings

Upcoming Events:

October:

October 22 - Picture Retake Day
October 23 - Auction Shirt Day
October 23 - Middle School Mass
October 24-25 - No School - Fall Parent Teacher Conferences
October 25 - Bellarmine Visit Day for 8th grade students
October 27 - SCOPE Trunk-or-Treat (Details below)
October 28 - 31 - 7th Grade Mount Rainier Camp
October 30 - Noon Dismissal
October 31 - Black & Orange Day



November:

November 1 - All Saints Day All School Mass
November 1 - Kindergarten Saint Parade (following Mass)
November 3 - Feast of St. Charles Borromeo - Choir sings at Mass
November 4 - Vaccine Clinic
November 6 - SCOPE Coffee Hour
November 6 - All School Mass
November 7 - Veterans Day Assembly @ 1:30pm
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 21 - School Commission Meeting @ 5PM
November 22 - SCB Spirit Shirt Day
November 25 - 29 - No School: Thanksgiving Holiday

Please see the following link for the detailed school calendar:

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

Spread Joy, Give Hope Annual Fund Campaign

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:

\$52,348

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 10 months; a donation of \$20 a month becomes \$200 after 10 months.

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



More SCB News and Information



Quick Notes:

Picture Retake Day:

We will have Picture Retakes tomorrow Tuesday, October 22nd. If your child was absent on Picture Day, we will have them take their photo then as well.

Vaccine Clinic:

SCB will be hosting a vaccine clinic to get ready for flu season. On Monday, November 4th, we will be hosting an all-day clinic for flu, RSV, Covid boosters, and Shingles vaccines.

Please use this [private sign up genius](#) to reserve your appointment. You can find the required forms [here!](#) If you want us to escort your child to their appointment, please have them bring their forms to school with them on the day of the clinic.

Lunch Menu:

Please see the lunch menu online:

- [October Lunch Menu](#)
- [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!

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.

Asbestos Information:

Please see the attached letter from the Archdiocese of Seattle regarding our compliance with Asbestos: [Letter from the Archdiocese of Seattle](#)

Veterans Day Slideshow

As we begin preparing for Veterans Day, please send us your photos of your to scbsocial@stcharlesb.org

Please include:

- Name
- Rank
- Military Branch

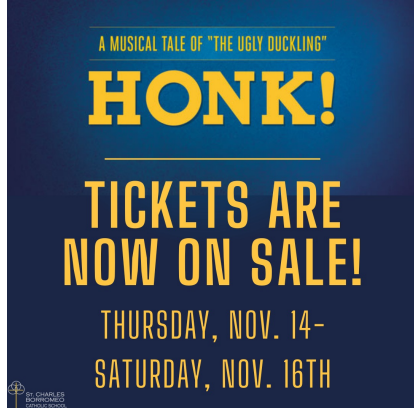


The Musical Tale of the Ugly Duckling - Honk! Tickets are Now Available

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!](#)

SCB Athletics



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](#)

We need coaches - if you are interested in coaching 7th grade boys Varsity basketball, please let Mrs. O'Reilly know!

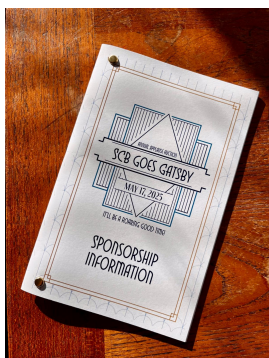
2nd - 5th students must be registered by November 10th
Middle School Girls must be registered by November 29th
Middle School Boys Basketball registration is now closed.

SCB Goes Gatsby Information

Patriot Fire Protection is our
Presenting Sponsor for this year's
auction!



We are thrilled and grateful to announce
this year's Presenting Sponsor for the SCB Goes Gatsby Applause Auction is Patriot
Fire Protection. We would like to say a huge thank you to the Boulanger, Manning,
O'Brein and Twining Families for partnering with us in this way!



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](#)

Made Easy is your one stop to complete all your auction requirements!

Auction Made Easy Includes:

- 2 Auction T-Shirts or 1 Auction Sweatshirt
- \$200 donation to Super Shopper
- 1 Tuition Raffle Ticket
- 1 Digital or Printed Auction Photo
- Your child(ren)'s participation in Procurement Free Dress Day on March 21, 2025
- Your child(ren)'s participation in Auction Free Dress Week - May 19 - 22, 2025

[Click here to purchase Auction Made Easy!](#)



Auction Most Wanted Items for October Vacation Homes & Sports Tickets

- Vacation Homes – Staycations, within driving distance
- Sports Tickets: Mariners, Seahawks, Sounders, Storm, Trailblazers, Kraken, WSU, UW, Gonzaga

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

SCOPE

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!



Thank you to all those who participated in Boosterthon!

This fundraiser will allow SCOPE to provide each of our teachers with \$750 to use in their classrooms, provide scholarship money for camps and give field trip support to our school!

Trunk-or-Treat:

This Sunday, October 27th from 3pm - 5pm

West Parking Lot

If you are interested in having a car in Trunk or Treat, please fill out this form: [Trunk-or-Treat Car Sign-Up](#)

If you would like to help with Trunk-or-Treat, we have several volunteer opportunities! This is a great opportunity for Middle School students to get hours: [Trunk-or-Treat Volunteer Opportunities](#)



If you would like to support the Trunk-or-Treat event, we are accepting candy donations! Please bring them to the school office. Thank you in advance for your help!



SCOPE Volunteer Opportunities

Trunk-or-Treat:

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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](#)

SCB Gives Back

October Service Project

This month we will be making baskets to give to our Veterans in area rest homes. We would love some help gathering items.

We are looking for the following types of items:

- Bags of good ground coffee and teas
- Beef Jerky and Slim Jims.
- Candy (more candy, less chocolate because of melting) – i.e. gummy bears, Swedish fish, bubble gum, hard candies and lollipops.
- Healthy snacks (granola bars, trail mix, protein bars or powders).
- Current issues of magazines (hunting, cars or video games), sudoku/puzzle books and comic books.
- Nice pens/pencils



- Things to keep cool – i.e. insulated water jugs, hand-held electric fans, first aid ice packs, wicking bandanas
- Goodr sunglasses
- Baked goods that are packed so they don't get smashed.
- Lens cleaning cloths and glass cleaner
- Reading material (magazines, books or an e-reader like a Kindle)
- Board games
- Cross-stitch patterns
- Decks of cards
- Lap blanket or throw
- Fuzzy socks or slippers
- Journals
- Knitted scarves



Instant Oatmeal Packet Donations

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

Shoes for the Children

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

What is this?

Beginning later this month, 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. Stay tuned for more details on that!



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.

Shoe Sales:

We will begin shoe sales during conferences this week!

We will also sell before and after masses beginning on November 2nd and before and after school beginning on November 4th.

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.

2024	2025
OCTOBER 15TH	JANUARY 7TH
OCTOBER 29TH	JANUARY 21ST
NOVEMBER 12TH	FEBRUARY 4TH
NOVEMBER 19TH	MARCH 4TH
DECEMBER 3RD	MARCH 11TH
DECEMBER 10TH	
DECEMBER 17TH	

Join us!

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



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
- **Trunk-or-Treat:** Volunteer to help at Trunk-or-Treat
- **Shoes for the Children:** Volunteer to Sell Shoes for the Shoe Liturgy

SCHOOL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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.

SCB Club Corner

SCB Clubs & Activities

St. Charles offers so many extracurricular clubs and activities for our students. To learn more, click on the links to find out how your student can get involved in these activities:

- [Bellarmino Parochial Band](#)
- [Bricks 4 Kidz](#)
- [Boy Scouts](#)
- [Cheer](#)
- [Chess](#)
- [Choir](#)
- [Coding Club](#)
- [Creative Kids Dance](#)
- [Cub Scouts](#)
- [Dungeons and Dragons Club](#)
- [Girl Scouts](#)
- [Mini Vinnies](#)
- [Rainbow Parrot Art](#)
- [Robotics Club](#)



High School Information

Bellarmino Open House

Wednesday, November 6th from
5:30pm - 8:00pm

[Register Here!](#)



Bellarmino Open House!



Wednesday, November 6, 2024

5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Register Today!



bellarmineprep.org/apply



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