ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL TACOMA, WA

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SCB Newsletter - November 2, 2026

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
— Helen Keller

SCB Families,



What a wonderful Friday we had at our Fall Fest! The rain certainly did not stop us from having so much fun. We estimate that more than 900 members of our community joined us for an evening of laughter, celebration, and togetherness. It was truly special to see so many families, students, and friends enjoying one another and celebrating what makes SCB such a wonderful community.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported this event, helped plan and organize, shared ideas, volunteered, and worked behind the scenes to bring this fun new tradition to life. We are so grateful for the many people who helped make Fall Fest such a success. Even with the rain, the joy and spirit of our community shone through!

We also have some exciting news to share about our accreditation visit last week. We had a very positive week, and while we will not receive our official accreditation approval until the end of the school year, when all participating schools are reviewed, we received word from our visiting team that we successfully passed our visit! This is an important milestone for our school and a wonderful affirmation of the work happening across our building.

As part of our self-study, we identified four important goals that will guide our continued growth and improvement:

- Strengthen family faith formation and create more opportunities for families to grow in their faith together.
- Continue to strengthen our relationships and systems with our parish family and deepen the partnership between our school and parish.
- Invest in additional teacher training and develop cross-building professional learning communities that encourage further collaboration, shared learning, and professional growth.
- Complete a long-term facilities plan in partnership with our parish to ensure the sustainability and continued improvement of our campus.

These goals reflect our commitment to Faith First, Excellence Always, and our desire to continue growing as a school community. Our accreditation process has been an opportunity to reflect on our strengths, identify areas for growth, and thoughtfully plan for the future of SCB.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our self-study, shared feedback, supported our work, and helped us reflect on the many ways we serve our students and families. Accreditation is truly a community effort, and we are grateful for the partnership and support of our families, faculty, staff, parish, and School Commission throughout this process.

It has been a week filled with celebration, gratitude, and exciting progress. Thank you for being such an important part of our SCB community!

St. Charles Borromeo, Pray for us.

Beth O'Reilly
Principal, SCB

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P.S This newsletter is a little long this week, make sure you scroll down and expand to see all of the content.

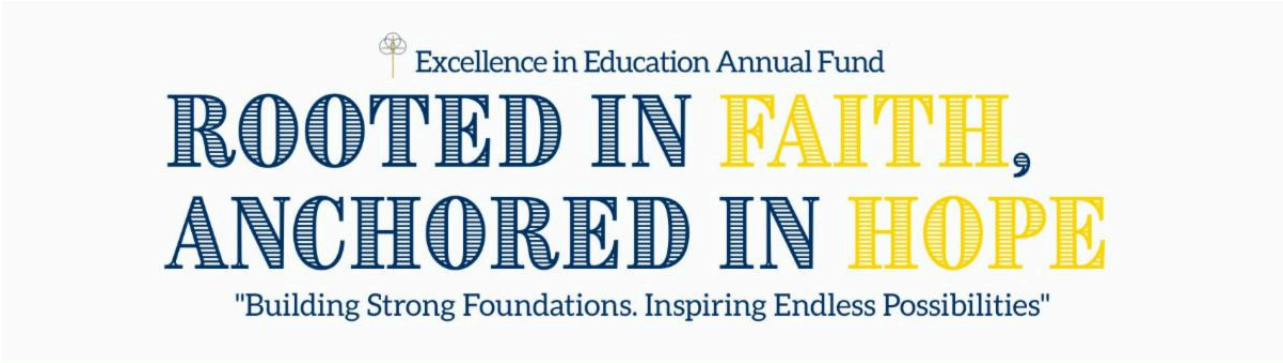
School Happenings

Upcoming Events:



November:
November 2: SCOPE Boosterthon Kick-Off
November 4: St. Charles Feast Day - All School Mass
November 6: Veterans Day Assembly
November 10: School Musical Preview
November 10: School Commission Meeting @ 5pm
November 11: No School - Veterans Day
November 12: Picture Retake Day
November 12: School Musical 7pm
November 13: SCOPE Boosterthon Glow Run Event
November 13: School Musical 7pm
November 14: Musical Dinner Theater 5:30pm
November 15: School Choir sings at 10am Mass
November 17: SCOPE Meeting @ 6:30pm
November 18: Auction Shirt Day
November 18: Primary Mass
November 20: SCOPE Coffee & Mini Meeting
November 23 - 27: No School Thanksgiving Break (Preschool - 8th Grade)
November 23 -25: Toddler Program Open Regular Hours

Rooted in Faith, Anchored in Hope. Annual Fund



Week 6 Campaign Update

Ways to Give:

- You will receive a donation/pledge card in the coming weeks 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.
- You can donate online, by clicking on the button below:



Donate to the "Rooted in Faith, Anchored in Hope" Annual Fund Campaign



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, welcomed and appreciated!

Upcoming Charges in FACTS

Please watch your accounts for the upcoming charges in FACTS:

- Before and After care hourly for October
- Fall Fest charges for those who chose FACTS

More SCB News and Information

Quick Notes:



Veterans Day Assembly
We are excited for our Veterans Day Assembly this Friday! We welcome all Veterans to attend with their students. The assembly will be held this Friday, November 6th in Feist Hall at 1:30pm.

Veterans Day Stars
We love to honor our veterans by hanging stars with their name, branch, and rank. Don't forget to fill out this form to request a star for your veteran!
Request a Star for your Veteran!

Lunch Menu:
Our October hot lunch menu is now available on our website. You can also click here to view: **October Lunch Menu**

Substitutes Needed:
We are looking for substitute teachers for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in applying, please contact Mrs. Kuzmanich at **vkuzmanich@stcharlesb.org**

Spirit Wear Store:
We have a new Spirit Wear through our Ink Ink partner! If you are interested in purchasing, please visit our Spirt Store website here: **SCB Spirit Wear Store**

Please note: Items in our Spirit Wear Stores are NOT uniform approved and may not be worn in lieu of uniform pieces.

Veterans Day Photos & Stars



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

Please include:
Name
Rank
Military Branch

Star Information:
If you would like to hang a star in Feist Hall to reconize your veteran, please fill out the following form, and we will send a star home for you to fill out!
Star Request Form



Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Musical Tickets on Sale Now!

Tickets to this year's Musical, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory are on sale now!

Show Times:
Thursday, November 12th @ 7pm
Friday, November 13th @ 7pm
Saturday, November 14th @ 5:30pm (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, November 21st from 5:30pm - 6:30pm Sunday, November 22nd from 8:30am - 1:00pm

Purchase your wreaths here by November 15th!



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!



Our SCB Glow Run Fundraiser has Officially Kicked Off!

REGISTER TODAY!

Our Boosterthon Glow Run is SCOPE's largest and most important fundraiser of the year!

This year our goal is to raise: $42,000.
We use this money to reimburse our teachers for additional classroom supplies that benefit each of our students!

⭐ **Key Dates:**

🎉 November 2nd - Kickoff at SCB!
👟 November 13th - Glow Run Event Day

Visit **MyBooster.com** today to register!

Want to volunteer to help?
Volunteer to hand out prizes each morning!

November SCOPE Meeting



Date: Tues., November 18th
Time: 6:30 P.M
Location: Library

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

Remember, you get one volunteer hour for each meeting!

Let us know you will be joining us by RSVP'ing **here** here!

Shoes for the Children

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The Shoe Liturgy will take place on Friday, December 4th at 1:45pm.

Each weekend at masses, members of our community can purchase shoes. In addition, because of our drop-off and pick-up procedures, we 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 continues to be a GREAT need for shoes in our area. Please prayerfully consider purchasing more than 1 pair of shoes, if possible.

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. Eachbox is marked with a specific number. Please do not remove that number. That number ensures the correct pair of shoes goes to the correct organization.

At the beginning of December, we will collectively present the shoes during a Liturgy at the Church.

POP! Art Affair Applause Auction





Auction Made Easy

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

Auction Made Easy includes:

- 2 auction t-shirts OR 1 sweatshirt
- A $200 donation to Super Shopper
- 1 tuition raffle ticket
- 1 Auction Photo Bundle (1 printed & digital photo)
- Your child(ren)'s participation in Procurement Free Dress Day, March 19th, 2027
- Your child(ren)"s participation in Auction Free Dress Week, May 17-21, 2027.

Click here to purchase Auction Made Easy!

Auction T-Shirts & Sweatshirts

If you'd prefer to just purchase an Auction T-shirt or Sweatshirt, they are now available on our website!

Students may wear their Auction T-shirts or Sweatshirts on marked calendar days and on any Spirt Shirt Day.

T-shirts & Sweatshirts will be available for pick up during the SCB Information Fair on September 1st.

Purchase Auction T-shirts & Sweatshirts Here!

2027-2028 Enrollment Information

Applications for the 2027-2028 Academic Year are Now Open for NEW students

Applications for the 2026-2027 school year are now open for new students.

Re-Enrollment for current students will run from December 21, 2026 – January 9, 2027. All existing students at SCB receive re-enrollment links via email to re-enroll for their spots for next year.

If you have a new student who you would like to enroll for the 2027-2028 school year, please be sure to fill out an application for them. **This includes siblings of current students.**





Financial Aid Applications for the 2027-2028 Academic Year are Now Open!

Applications for Financial Aid are now open for the 2027-2028 academic year. All applicants for tuition scholarships must be completed on the online FACTS Grant & Aid website by December 31, 2026.

This is for consideration for both Fulcrum financial aid as well as our St. Charles Endowment aid.

Please click here to be directed to the online application.

Tuition Rates for the 2027-2028 Academic Year

Tuition will be set in December for the 2027-2028 academic year.

In-Parish Tuition & Scholarship Applications:
Apply now!

Due by February 28th 2027 for consideration.
This is a hard deadline.



SCB Club Corner

Club Corner

Click on the links below to register for:

- **Athletics** (also see below)
- **Bricks for Kids**
- **Chess**

- **Choir**
- **Coding Club**
- **Creative Kids Dance**
- **Karate**
- **Rainbow Parrot Art**
- **Robotics**
- **Yoga & Mindfulness**



SCB Social Social Club!

St. Charles Borromeo has launched the SCB Social Social Club, a fun new way for students, faculty, and staff to get involved in our school's social media! Whether it's participating in reels, photos, interviews, trends, or other fun content, we want to feature more of the people who make SCB special!

We have three separate sign-up forms for faculty and staff, younger students, and middle school students. Signing up does not guarantee a feature, and participation is always optional!

Sign Up Here:

- 2YO–4th Grade (Parent/Guardian Sign-Up): **Sign Up for our 2 year old - 4th Grade Social Club**
- 5th–8th Grade (Student Sign-Up): **Sign Up for our 5th - 8th Grades Social Club**

Please note: Signing up does not change existing photo permissions. Students on the school's No Photo List will not be featured, even if a form is completed.

SCB Athletics



All winter sports are closed for registration. Grades 1-5 cheer will open this week!

Reminder - all Middle School Sports need a physical on file in the main office to participate.

Email **scbathletics@stcharlesb.org** with questions.

Facilities Updates

Gym Update

Our Fund-an-Item Gym Refresh is well underway, and we are excited to share some updates! Our new padded chairs and scorer's table have arrived, our brand-new scoreboard has officially been installed, new signage is up, and the gym has received a fresh coat of paint! We are also looking forward to the arrival of our new bleachers, basketball backstops, and volleyball equipment this fall.



Thanks to the incredible generosity of our St. Charles community, our gym is getting a much-needed refresh that will benefit our students and athletes for years to come. We are so grateful for your continued support and can't wait to share more updates as everything comes together!



Feist Hall Update

We are excited to share that our Feist Hall Refresh is moving forward!

Our brand-new stage has arrived and is ready for our school musical!

We are also working closely with our Parish partners to plan additional improvements that will enhance Feist Hall for our students, families, and the entire St. Charles community.

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 Volunteer Opportunities

2026-2027 Volunteer Opportunities



- **Health Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Health Room
- **Lunch Room:** Volunteer to Help in the Lunch Room
- **Playground Help:** Volunteer to Help on the Playground
- **Tot Lot Help:** Volunteer to Help on the Tot Lot
- **Shoe Sales:** Volunteer to Help Sell Shoes

Parish Information

If you are desiring to enter the Catholic Church, return to the Church, or just want to know more about Catholicism, come join us!

Please click here to register for Teen OCIA: **2027 Teen Becoming Catholic (OCIA) | Archdiocese of Seattle**

Please click here to register for Adult OCIA: **2027 Becoming Catholic (OCIA) Registration | Archdiocese of Seattle**

For any questions, please contact Candyce Ochoa at **cochoa@charlesleo.org** or
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