

St. Peter's Parish School Commission
High School and Junior High Report for Tuesday, April 5, 2011
The Sequel (!)

I thought of a few things I should have included in this report before I emailed it last night.

12. Three sets of eighth graders from area Catholic elementary schools took us up on our invitation to visit us for a day. Ashland St. Edward brought eleven eighth graders. Mansfield St. Mary brought two. They shared Wednesday, March 23. Crestline St. Joseph brought eight on Thursday, March 31. Next, our guidance counselor will follow up with visits to their schools to help those who will join us with their freshman schedules. These visit days require the elementary schools to collect permission forms and organize drivers. We sincerely thank Suellen Valentine from St. Edward, Roger Harraman from St. Mary, and Carolyn Price from St. Joseph for making the effort to support us in this way.

13. Our sessions with sixth grade families have been positive. One sixth grade Mom attended the after-school session we offered. Eight families were represented at the evening session. The following copy and paste is an excerpt from a thank you email I received, addressed to Jerry Straub and me.

I wanted thank both of you for the time you spent with me last Tuesday night at the question/answer session for the sixth grade parents. _____ is my oldest, so all of this transition is new to me. You both made me feel very comfortable with the Junior High, and I was so impressed that you and the staff will be willing to work with me, my husband, and my son to make his transition successful!

We are blessed to have such wonderful people here at St. Peter's!

Thank you again!

14. Four of our seniors will be honored at today's Rotary luncheon. Lia Brunetti, Stasia Phillips, Paul Nestor, and Noah Stampfli were invited to attend this Rotary meeting, hear today's speaker, and be introduced as the top academic four in the Class of 2011. Later this month, two more of our students will enjoy a similar experience with the Optimist Club. These opportunities serve us well in terms of positive PR and they give the students a chance to network with area business people in fields our students may choose to pursue.

15. Our next two House System meetings will concern fundraising for Japan and selecting House names. The first of the two meetings will be a short introduction to the category of names we will use. The second, longer meeting will give each House a chance to share research on the person for whom their House will be named. Student Council is working on adjusting the Games Day assembly that we lost to a snow day so that Houses, instead of classes, can compete. Monthly faculty meeting discussion about the House System project will keep us in the habit of using the House System to organize more and more of our events. We will wait until next year to elect House student leadership. For now we will rely on the seniors and those who rise to the occasion to be House leaders.

Addendum Respectfully Submitted,
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