

Dear Spartan Families,

Spring is in the air and the days are getting longer. It is hard to believe that Easter is just around the corner. We have a busy week ahead. IOWA testing is taking place this week. The Invention Convention will take place on Thursday evening, from 6-8 pm, in the St. Luke Parish Hall. The STEM club will be participating in the engineering competition on Saturday. The boys' and girls' choirs will sing at the Pueri Cantores Children's Music Festival at the Cathedral of St. Mary's, in Miami. Archbishop Wenski of Miami will celebrate the Mass and Father Andrew will concelebrate.

We are currently in the planning stages for next year. Be sure to get your re-enrollment forms turned in as soon as possible. Early enrollment ends March 31st. St. Luke is sponsoring a schoolwide contest: The first class to return 100% of their re-enrollment forms receives a sub/pizza party.

Please join me in welcoming our new faculty member, Heather Powell. Mrs Powell joins our Spartan family as the 3rd grade teacher. She is certified and has over 20 years experience as a teacher. Welcome Mrs Powell!

It is my prayerful hope that we continue our work as a united community while in the presence of Jesus, providing our students with an academic environment, which promotes lifelong learning and the development of intellectually mature and morally responsible people of faith, vision, and purpose.

Have a wonderful week.

Your Partner in faith and education,  
Diann Bacchus, M.Ed  
Principal

**[Knights of Columbus Fish Fry](#)**

Every Friday night during Lent the Knights of Columbus sponsor a fish fry in the parish hall 5:30-7:30; \$12 for adults and \$7 for children. Tickets can be purchased after the Masses or at the rectory. Look forward to seeing you there. **Proceeds from this week's Fish Fry will go to the St. Luke School**

### **Core Values: Seek, Persist, Excel, Love, Serve**

Serve: 7th graders Miguel and Sophia Martinez. They volunteer or simply help others in need without reservation. They are living our gospel values.

### **Enrollment**

**We have begun re-enrolling students for the 2018-19 school year. Please send in your completed re-enrollment packet as soon as possible. Note: From now until March 31st, the early re-registration fee is \$150 per student. After March 31st, the enrollment fee is \$250 per student. Enrollment after June 1 opens up to new families. If your re-registration fee is not paid by June 1 we can't guarantee your seat in the class. It is important that you reserve your seat, as early as possible. Classes are filling up quickly.**

**For families on FACTS:Registration fees will be withdrawn from FACTS accounts on March 31st. If you do not use FACTS please submit registration fees at time of renewal.**

### **School Attendance and Tardiness**

At Notre Dame ACE Academies we strive to make “every minute count”. We want to have a full and meaningful learning day. It is important that your learner is on time each day. The gates open at 7:30 for homeroom and 7:50 is morning gathering. Students are recognized for living our core values during the morning gathering.

Don't let your child miss the opportunity to hear their name announced for this accomplishment. When a learner is late they miss valuable lessons and disrupt the learning environment.

There are limits to the number of days a student is able to miss during the year. Too many missed days can impact learning. Additionally, STEP-UP Scholarship money could be impacted if a student misses too many days.

### STEP- UP

The application process is now available for **renewal families** seeking a scholarship for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Please come by the office or call to make an appointment if you need assistance completing the online application.**

### Upcoming Dates

- March 5-9 - IOWA Testing
- March 8 - STEM Night
- March 10- Engineering Competition
- March 16 - Noon Dismissal, End of 3rd Quarter,
- March 19-25 - Spring Break
- March 26 - School Resumes
- March 27 - Reports are given out
- March 29 - Holy Thursday (no school)
- March 30 - Good Friday (no school)
- April 6 - Honor Roll
- April 6 - 1st Friday, Noon Dismissal