

As we get ready to start another week of school (only 2 full weeks left), I wanted to take the opportunity to share with you our school's MAP scores from this Spring. Since COVID struck, schools have been plagued by a learning gap that requires time, effort, and a lot of supplemental resources to close. While this gap still exists today almost three years after the disruption of in-person learning, we have worked diligently and tirelessly to bridge this gap through a variety of resources. Through the implementation of programs such as Edmentum, Accelerated Reading, myON, and tiered reading groups (K-3), as well as a reshuffling of our teaching resources to better address each subject area, we are excited to see that gap narrowing even further. It is still a work in progress but we are continuing to look at ways we can further narrow the gap. We are extremely proud of our students' efforts this testing season and we appreciate their continued work towards being the best people they can be. The general Spring MAP statistics will be accompanying this newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns about MAP scores or testing, please do not hesitate to contact us. We value your feedback and want to continue to build a strong educational partnership for the sake of your child(ren). If there is anything we can do to strengthen this partnership, we want to know. Thanks again for all you do and for your continued support of our school. God Bless.

#### **In Case You Missed It...**

- PK registration is also still open for the 2022-2023 school year. Children who will be four years old by August 1st are eligible to register. Classes are Monday-Friday from 8:00-11:00 AM with an extended day option available for families who need it. Please call the school office at 419-294-1395 for more information. Please remember that you **DO NOT** have to be Catholic to join our St. Peter School Family.
- The Circus Day Performance that was originally scheduled for April 29th has been rescheduled for Monday, May 23rd. We are still in need of volunteers for this day so if you would be able to help, please let us know. All volunteers would need to be at the school at 7:00 that morning and will be helping to train the students to perform their various circus events. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Eyestone or the school office.
- Our annual St. Peter School Bike Ride will take place on Friday, May 13th and 6th grade graduation will be Saturday, May 21st at 4:30 in the church. More information will be upcoming so please stay tuned.
- We still have summer youth sports camp registrations still available in the office for anyone who might be interested in attending this summer. These camps are sponsored by our local varsity sports coaches and are available for most ages. Please let us know if you would like a registration form and what sport you are interested in.

#### **Just Thought You Should Know...**

- There will be **no extended day services** for the final week of school (May 23-26) in order to finalize billing. Please make arrangements to have your child(ren) picked up after school during this time.

- All outstanding balances including tuition, extended day, and other fees are due to the school office by May 26th. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.
- The 5th grade class will be leading our liturgy service this Wednesday at 8:15. These services will also be live streamed on our school Facebook page for those who are unable to attend.
- **ATTENTION: Scholarship Opportunity:** The 2022 EdChoice Expansion Scholarship application window has been extended until June 30th. This is a great opportunity for any family that is interested in tuition assistance. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship provides vouchers for students with household income levels at 250% or below the Federal Poverty Guidelines. The EdChoice Expansion Scholarship amount is typically around \$4650 per student in grades K - 8. For more information about the EdChoice Scholarship Expansion Program please visit [education.ohio.gov/edchoice](http://education.ohio.gov/edchoice). We encourage any family who might qualify for this scholarship to apply. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.
- The Kindergarten and PK Graduation ceremonies will take place on Thursday, May 26th at 9:00 in the church. All are invited to attend this ceremony and it will also be live streamed for anyone unable to attend. This will also be our end of the year awards ceremony. If you have any questions, please let us know.
- Due to rain, our Wyandot County First Responders day, originally scheduled for last Friday, has been postponed until a later date. Once this date is determined, we will let you know.
- Our 2nd grade students will participate in Ag Day at the high school on May 17th. Senior students will be teaching our students about the importance of agriculture to our community.
- The St. Peter Summerfest will take place on August 27th and 28th this year and will feature a lot of the same events and attractions as last year. The festival committee is accepting volunteers so if you would like to help with the festival, please contact Mr. England, Kristin Stringfellow, or Jeremy Stringfellow. Thanks in advance for your help.
- Exciting news. St. Peter School will soon be the home of a brand new book vending machine! This vending machine will be used as a reward for our students who reach a certain goal in their Accelerated Reading program as well as other incentive programs. This item was gifted to us from the McCarthy family and we can't thank them enough for their wonderful generosity. The new addition to our school will be coming this summer!
- Congratulations to our May For the Love of Pete winners. First prize winner was Paul Wagner; second prize winner was Kathy Reile; and the third prize winner was Ken Tucker. Our next (and final) drawing will take place on the last day of school, May 26th. There are still tickets available to get entered into this drawing so please contact the school if you would like to purchase a ticket. Ticket price is \$100. Thanks so much to all who have participated so far.
- Happy Birthday this week to: Wesley W. (PK)
- Please check the school website at [www.stpeterupper.com](http://www.stpeterupper.com) for latest updates, schedules, or changes.

**Quote of the Week:** “All great achievements require time.” ~ Maya Angelou