



St. Stanislaus Kostka School

"Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage." Saint John XXIII

Mrs. Elena Malinconico
Principal

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"God loves each of us as if there were only one of us." Saint Augustine

April 13, 2017

Dear St. Stan's Families:

As we leave school to celebrate the risen Christ, I am certain of God's love for each our students, faculty members, and the families of our students, who work so hard and sacrifice so much so their children can reap the benefits of a Catholic education. As you celebrate the joys of Easter and the rebirth of nature in spring next week, know my prayers and wishes for each of you are with you.

We return from Easter break on April 24, 2017. Beginning on that date spring uniforms may be worn. Please review the student handbook for specifications on the spring uniform. On April 26, 2017 there will be an HSA meeting at 7pm and also our annual science fair and wax museum. The HSA will be reviewing work bond, carnival and the events that will fill our calendars through May and the start of June. Please come and support, not only the HSA, but our students who have put so much hard work and energy into the projects you will see. April 27th is spring picture day and students can come to school out of uniform and dressed up for the event. Finally, we end that week with our PreK through fourth grade hoedown on April 28th and we are still hoping to have our Ladies Sip and Paint Party on the 29th. If you are interested in the Sip and Paint party please contact an HSA board member as soon as possible so we can be sure to have enough participants to host it.

On May 5, 2017 we will be honoring Mrs. Jedruchniewicz and Mr. Christain as Mother of the Year and Father of the Year. Please join us for this wonderful event. Tickets are available and the evening runs from 7pm to 9pm.

Once again, I wish you all a lovely Easter break and I look forward to returning on April 24th to begin the race to the end of the year.

Sincerely,

Elena Malinconico, Principal



Mother and Father of the Year Event Friday, May 5th

Set-up (3:30PM-6:00PM):

Paula Bernardes
Michelle Ribeiro
Jason Baczor
Ranjana Vishwakarma
Ted Tympanick
Xin Wu

Event (6:45PM-9:15PM):

Patty Kerekes
Lorraine Sokolowski
Elizabeth Marcano
Amanda DeStefano
Karina Dzieniszewski

Clean-up (9:15PM-11:PM):

Deborah/Michael Strickland
Samson Olasunkanmi
Abi Castaneda
Caterina Zammit
Bruno Pedroso

Please remember you must report **on time** in order to get credit for work bond. If for any reason you cannot make the shift assigned please contact the HSA **immediately** so that we can find a replacement. There are many parents that need “other” credit so please do not waste a shift. Thank you for your help!

End-of-Year Tricky Tray

On Tuesday evening, June 6th we will have our end-of-year tricky tray for the students. We will need parent volunteers to help with preparation for that evening, setup, and working the event.

Any of these shifts can count as an “other” towards your work bond commitment. If you are interested in helping, please fill out the form below and return it to the school office immediately.

Please mark whichever shifts you are available to work.

We will post the assignments as soon as they are filled. Please remember we fill on a first come, first served basis.

Thank you for your continued support!

Please Print:

Name: _____

Childs Name: _____

Grade: _____

Telephone# _____

_____ Wednesday, May 31st 6-9PM- Basket wrapping

and / or

_____ Tuesday, June 6th 2-5PM- Set-up

and / or

_____ Tuesday, June 6th 5-8PM- Event

News & Events
FDA News Release

FDA alerts consumers of nationwide voluntary recall of EpiPen and EpiPen Jr

For Immediate Release

March 31, 2017

Release

Español

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is alerting consumers to Meridian Medical Technologies' voluntary recall of 13 lots of Mylan's EpiPen and EpiPen Jr (epinephrine injection) Auto-Injector products used for emergency treatment of severe allergic reactions. This recall is due to the potential that these devices may contain a defective part that may result in the devices' failure to activate. The recalled product was manufactured by Meridian Medical Technologies and distributed by Mylan Specialty.

While the number of reported failures is small, EpiPen products that potentially contain a defective part are being recalled because of the potential for life-threatening risk if a severe allergic reaction goes untreated. Consumers should keep and use their current EpiPens if needed until they get a replacement. Consumers should contact Stericycle at 877-650-3494.

As stated on the product label, consumers should always seek emergency medical help right away after using their EpiPens, particularly if the device did not activate.

At this time, the 13 lots identified – distributed between Dec. 17, 2015, and July 1, 2016 – are the only EpiPen lots impacted by the U.S. recall. Consumers who have EpiPens from lots that are not included in this recall, do not need to replace their EpiPen prior to its expiration date.

Product/Dosage	NDC Number	Lot Number	Expiration Date
EpiPen Jr Auto-Injector, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	5GN767	April 2017
EpiPen Jr Auto-Injector, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	5GN773	April 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	5GM631	April 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	5GM640	May 2017
EpiPen Jr Auto-Injector, 0.15 mg	49502-501-02	6GN215	September 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM082	September 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM072	September 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM081	September 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM088	October 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM199	October 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM091	October 2017
EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM198	October 2017

EpiPen Auto-Injector, 0.3 mg	49502-500-02	6GM087	October 2017
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The FDA asks health care professionals and consumers to report any adverse reactions or device malfunctions to the FDA's MedWatch program, by:

- Completing and submitting the report online at www.fda.gov/medwatch/report.htm, or
- Downloading and completing the form, then submitting it via fax at 800-FDA-0178.

The FDA, an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, protects the public health by assuring the safety, effectiveness, and security of human and veterinary drugs, vaccines and other biological products for human use, and medical devices. The agency also is responsible for the safety and security of our nation's food supply, cosmetics, dietary supplements, products that give off electronic radiation, and for regulating tobacco products.

Inquiries

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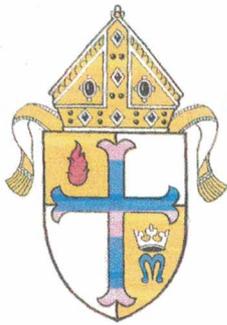
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April 7, 2017

Dear Parents,

Recently you received a letter from the Prosecutor of your county alerting you to the dangers of the internet, especially for our young people. You may or may not be aware of the legal consequences in which our young people can get involved especially “in sending, sharing, viewing, receiving or possession of indecent visual depictions of oneself or another person.”

Knowing that I grew up in a radically different time, I find it difficult to believe that our society has changed so drastically with all the new technology that is available. However, I must also remember that our children are being influenced by the availability of activities that you and I would never have dreamed of.

I thank God for our Catholic Schools, they strive to instill in our children what it means to be a faith-filled child of God and how a faith-filled child of God ought to live his or her life today.

I do not have on “rose-colored glasses”. I also know that the temptation to sin can sometimes so influence anyone’s behavior so that one can easily buy into living an immoral life style and see it as something good. What is true of us adults is, I believe, doubly true of our children whether they are in high school or elementary school. We must all be concerned. Remember, whether they are 7 years old or 17 years old, they are in their formative years and our Catholic schools endeavor to assist you in giving them the opportunity to grow into the kind of persons you hope and pray for them to be. But you, too, must do your part. Please read over the letter sent from your prosecutor and set the proper boundaries. Reinforce the faith you gave your child on the day of his or her baptism, when you promised to be their first and best of teachers. The example of your lives will make all the difference in the world. We will reinforce your teaching by whatever means we can---especially through prayer, the sacraments and by helping them to know right from wrong and, therefore, how to live moral lives as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Sincerely in the Lord,

Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Corona, PA, PhD

CC:



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April 10, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to warn you about the dangers of the internet, particularly sexting, and I seek your cooperation in keeping all of our children safe. Some parents may be unfamiliar with sexting. It is generally defined as the sending, sharing, viewing, receiving or possession of indecent visual depictions of oneself or another person using a cell phone, tablet, computer or other electronic device. Sexting can take place on countless messaging and social media sites.

Discussing sexting and its legal and social consequences with your children is imperative and may prevent and reduce incidences of it at school and elsewhere. A recent survey revealed that about 20 percent of teen boys and girls have sent "sext" messages. Engaging in this behavior can result in long term social, emotional and legal consequences. Children who share nude or suggestive photos depicting people younger than 18 (even if it is a picture of themselves) can be convicted of crimes under the state and federal child pornography laws.

A person "Endangers the Welfare of a Child," a crime of the second degree (subject to punishment of up to 10 years in New Jersey State Prison), if they knowingly distribute an item depicting the sexual exploitation of a child. Those who photograph or film a child in a prohibited sexual act or simulation of such an act using any device, including a computer or cell phone, etc., to reproduce or reconstruct the image of a child are subject to the same laws.

As an example, a juvenile could be prosecuted for sending nude images of themselves to another juvenile. Additionally, anyone who receives that image and forwards it to just one other person or more can be charged with the Distribution of Child Pornography. Individuals engaging in such conduct face varying degrees of punishment, including, but not limited to, incarceration, detention, sex offender registration, court imposed supervision and restrictions, community service, fines, and counseling.

Living in a digital age is a double-edged sword. The ability to quickly send and receive information can make our lives incredibly convenient. It can also make us and our children incredibly vulnerable. I want to make clear to you and ask that you make clear to your children that once they distribute digital content to the World Wide Web it is impossible to eradicate. It is out there forever. Admissions officers and employers increasingly review the internet to be sure that nothing in a person's past may overshadow a potential acceptance or hire. When something is captured in the digital world, from the past, it may come back to haunt your child, or it can at least be twisted to cast them in a negative light.

Please make sure your child understands the seriousness of exchanging nude photos, and spell out what is, and is not appropriate to send. Please tell your child that under no circumstances should they be taking nude photos of themselves. If someone asks them to create such a photo, video, etc., they should say no and report the same to a trusted adult. Additionally, you should educate yourself on the dangers of the internet and the vulnerabilities your child faces with regard to predators and other persons or businesses looking to exploit your children and their innocence.

I suggest you establish boundaries for appropriate versus inappropriate use of the internet, work with your child to establish consequences if they send inappropriate messages or misuse the internet, and let them know you will randomly monitor their browser history, texts, emails and social media sites. If you come across something that raises a flag regarding the safety of your child or other children, please report any situations that you are aware of to either the local authorities or school administration. Our students should know that we are having common conversations between law enforcement, home and school when it comes to sexting, cyberbullying, and internet use.

I am grateful for your cooperation and support as we all work together to keep our children safe.

Sincerely,



ANDREW C. CAREY
Middlesex County Prosecutor

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ISSUES:

PRIORITY #1 - Nonpublic school transportation. The ceiling for nonpublic school transportation has been frozen at \$884.00 since the 2007-2008 school year. This situation means that districts and/or private bus operators cannot bid routes at beyond \$884.00 per pupil. Please note the enclosed Talking Points for discussing nonpublic school busing with legislators and other interested individuals.

PRIORITY #2 - Governor Christie's proposed 2018 Budget cut \$9 million from nonpublic school aid reducing it from \$95.5 million to \$86.5 million. Included in the cuts were the elimination of the entire Nonpublic School Security Program which had been funded at \$50.00 per student and the elimination of increases in nonpublic school nursing services and technology aid. Please note the enclosed talking points for discussing these accounts with legislators and other interested individuals.

OUR POSITION: The New Jersey Catholic Conference and the New Jersey Network of Catholic School Families seek:

1. To increase the \$884.00 by moving funds currently in the Fiscal Year 2018 Governor's Budget. **This is the major issue for the Catholic schools.**
2. To restore the \$9 million removed from the nonpublic school accounts in the Governor's Budget at least to the level of funding in the Fiscal Year 2017 Appropriations Act.

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

1. Call, write, or email the members of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Assembly Budget Committee (see enclosed list) and ask them to increase the \$884.00 to compensate for the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases over the last 11 years. If your district does not have legislators on either of the Committees, call, write, or email your legislator and ask that they speak with members of those two committees in order to increase the funding. This task could be accomplished by shifting funds in the current Governor's Budget without increasing the overall budget.
2. Call, write, or email the members of the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee and the Assembly Budget Committee (c.f. enclosed list) and ask them to restore the cuts in nursing, technology, and security for the 2017-2018 school year. If your district does not have legislators on either of the Committees, call, write, or email your legislator and ask that they speak with members of those two committees in order to restore this aid.

THIS IS NOT A ONE AND DONE CAMPAIGN. WE WILL NEED TO FOLLOW-UP A NUMBER OF TIMES OVER THE NEXT THREE MONTHS IN ORDER THAT THE ISSUES REMAIN A PRIORITY IN THE MINDS OF THE LEGISLATORS.

You may use the New Jersey Catholic Conference Faith in Action - Voter Voice system
which can be accessed at:

<https://www.voterveice.net/NJCC/Campaigns/51277/Respond>

Please contact your Local Assemblyman

Once again, it is the time of the year when I encourage parents, students and faculty to take the time and contact the Assembly Budget Committee in reference to Non-public school funding. Governor Christie's proposed budget once again either cuts or has non-public school funding stagnant,

- Non Public Transportation funding is remaining at \$884.00 per student, which is the same rate as 2007.
- Security funding has been eliminated.
- Nursing, technology and text book funding is stagnant.

Here are the contacts for the Diocese of Metuchen that we ask you to call, write or email.

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