

# TAKE HOME TUESDAY

Tuesday, May 1, 2018 \* St. Albert the Great School  
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**CALLING ALL PARENTS!!** Please join us this Thursday, May 3rd at 6:00 pm for our Parent Ambassador Meeting, and then stay for our 7:00 pm Family-Shttps://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1U5xM7xQ-CHRQqgFb7-rutnTgTahjqa8Th8QTOh5HLd0/edit?usp=drive\_web&ouid=100140903770954093364chool Association meeting. We'd love to see you at both meetings, or just one

meeting if that's all you can do. We have a lot of fun activities planned for the remainder of the school year, so come and find out more about them all!  
**EARLY CHILDHOOD OPEN HOUSE:** Our Parent Ambassadors are sponsoring an Early Childhood Open House on Thursday, May 17th. All current families that recommend someone who attends this Open House will receive a raffle ticket. The 3 winners of the raffle will be exempt from the mandatory Carnival Raffle (worth \$100 in value). Please encourage your family and friends to check us out on May 17th. We will welcome families of all ages, not just preschool and kindergarten, so please get the word out.

**2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATIONS:**  
Registration for most classes will remain ongoing over the upcoming months, and waiting lists will be issued for classes that have reached capacity. Please call the school office to register your child, if you have not done so yet.

**PARISH BRUNCH:** Thank you to all the parents that volunteered their time over this past weekend at our Parish Brunch. Your time and dedication is greatly appreciated! We fell short on our sweet table donations, so thank you to the parents that ran out Saturday morning to purchase goodies for our table.  
I would just like to reiterate that we very desperately need our parents to participate in all events that we host at our school and within our parish. Your tuition cost only covers about 63% of the actual cost to educate each child. The remainder of those funds come from our Carnival proceeds, fundraisers we have, and most importantly, the financial support we get from the parish. In order to keep our tuition at the current rate we are at, your volunteer hours and donations are essential. Without your help and cooperation, our costs may increase, as support diminishes. Please make sure to volunteer at events, donate when you can, and mark your calendars for our important dates for next year. A large part of our faith, and what we work hard to instill in our students, is the idea of service. Service to our community and service to each other. When we work together we can accomplish great things. I sincerely hope that our parents feel how important this is for our long term success and will choose to be a part of all that we do at St. Albert the Great!! Thank you!!

**Carnival Volunteers: August 23rd through August 26th**  
**World's Finest Chocolate Sale: October 2018**  
**GREAT Event: March 2, 2019**

**2018-2019 FINANCIAL AID:** The Finance committee is in the process of reviewing all financial aid considerations for the 18-19 school year. Financial Award letters will be sent out by May 25th.

**MOMS, POPS & 2 year old TOTS:** Our Thursday morning Moms, Pops & Tots program will continue through the month of May. New 2 year olds and their caregivers are welcome to join us at any time.

**SIGN OUT PROCEDURES:** Please note that if you need to take your child from school during school hours, they must be signed out at the school office. Thank you!

**FRIDAY, MAY 11TH DRESS DOWN DAY:** Our school is having a \$1 dress down day to help us pay for the present we purchased for Fr. Mariusz' 25th Anniversary of his ordination.. We hope you will be able to participate in this wonderful celebration with the rest of our parish on Saturday, May 26th at the 5:00 pm Mass.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 3: 6 pm Parent Ambassador Meeting; 7 pm FSA Meeting; & 7 pm Communion Practice
  - 4: 8th Grade Ribbon Mass @8:30 am
  - 5: First Communion @10:00 am
  - 7: Carnival Meeting @7 pm
  - 9: 8th Grade Field Trip
  - 10: Mrs. Leahy's Heart of the School Award Ceremony
  - 11: \$1 charge to dress down (to help pay for Fr. Mariusz' present from the school)
  - 13: May Crowning; Family Mass (sponsored by Kindergarten & Preschool with assistance from 8th grade); Mother's Day Week of 14th: Spirit Week!
  - 18: Fun Fair
  - 25: Graduation Honors Mass @8:30 am; Graduation @7:00 pm
  - 26: Fr. Mariusz' 25th Anniversary Mass @5:00 pm
  - 30: Kindergarten Graduation @9:30 am; Preschool Graduation @11:30 am
- JUNE:**
- 7: Last Day of School; Honors Assembly after 8:30 am Mass, with dismissal to follow from school doors at 11:00 am

**CARNIVAL MEETING:** Will be held on Monday, May 7th at 7 pm in the Parish Admin Building. The St. Albert the Great Carnival will be returning to our school grounds this year!!! All families are required to sell \$100 in Carnival Raffle Tickets and work 1 shift at the Carnival.

**FIRST COMMUNION:** Please keep our 2nd grade children in your prayers this weekend, as they make their First Communion on Saturday. Thank you to Mrs. Fitch for all your hard work in preparing them for this very special day. God Bless you all!

# From the Archdiocese: Empower Illinois Update

## Step Two Application Emails

Most applicants who registered for Step One on February 27, should have received their Step Two emails with a link to the TADS application. Applicants who applied on February 27 that have not received their Step Two email should contact the hotline. Applicants who applied after February 27 will receive a Step Two email later on a rolling basis.

## Award Communications

Empower Illinois began communicating award status to TCS applicants, on Monday, April 2. Award letters will continue to be mailed out weekly on Mondays.

Families can expect to see one of the following types of letters:

- **Award Confirmation Letter** – Scholarship confirmed; (school enrollment letter previously provided)
- **Conditional Award Confirmation Letter** – Scholarship confirmed; need to supply acceptance/enrollment letter from school
- **Provisional Award Confirmation Letter**- Eligibility confirmed; pending acceptance/enrollment letter form from **recognized** school
- **Scholarship Denied Letter** – Applicant deemed ineligible
- **Application Incomplete Letter** – Eligibility could not be determined; reapply (lost original first come-first served date/time stamp)
- **Non-Priority Letter** – Applicant received non-priority status; review will be deferred until review of priority applicants complete
- **Waitlist Letter** – Application received but unprocessed; will not be reviewed for eligibility unless additional funds become available.

**Please email Mrs. Franco if you have any questions or concerns at [jfranco@satgschool.org](mailto:jfranco@satgschool.org)**

The Archdiocese usually notifies us of CARITAS financial awards by the end of May. If you applied for Financial Aid on FACTS, you will receive a notification from them. We will also follow up with you by the end of May when we have received notification from the Archdiocese.

The SATG Endowment awards will be determined by the end of May, and notifications for that will go out at the same time as the CARITAS notification.