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**Divine Savior**  
Catholic School

January 29, 2021

The mission of Divine Savior Catholic School is to provide a high-quality, personalized, Catholic-based education that inspires and empowers its learners to achieve academic excellence and develops life-long learning skills. Learners are challenged to walk as disciples in the footsteps of Christ valuing knowledge, prayer, and service to others.

## LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoy the prayer service tribute to you on YouTube that the students and staff celebrated this week. Thank you to Deacon Dennis for recording it and putting it all together. You can view it on this YouTube link.

<https://youtu.be/DP0TdCaGkOA>

We had a good week of activities to celebrate the good news that is Divine Savior Catholic School.

On Tuesday, we collected an impressive amount of food items. Results of the 'pop top' challenge from the previous week were great. 3395 tabs turned into \$169.75 in cash. This money was then used to purchase 48 cans of condensed soup, 20 large containers of canned fruit, 10 small containers of canned fruit, 28 jars of pasta sauce, and 50 boxes of Hamburger Helper. Thank you to Jeff and Dawn Voland for their donation toward the challenge and the Voland family for doing the shopping.

The students had a good time in the park on Wednesday. They prepared several cards and letters for nursing home residents. These were blessed as part of the Thursday prayer service led by Deacon Dennis. Teachers will be delivering them to the seven area facilities.

Friday's celebration called Breakfast, Books, and Basketball concludes this year's celebration. I would like to acknowledge and thank all of the staff for planning and organizing the events of this week.

Registration for the 2021-2022 school year begins next week Monday, February 1.

Returning families need to update the registration information on the school website, [www.divinesaviorschool.org](http://www.divinesaviorschool.org).

New families need to complete the application form and registration form on this same site.

Families that are currently in the CHOICE Program remain in the program, but parents MUST register again with the DPI between February 1 and April 15. Proof of residency needs to be sent to the school.

Current students entering 4K, 5K, or Grade 1 and that meet the income levels below should apply for the Choice Program. **Please contact the school office prior to registering with the DPI.**

Students new to Divine Savior at ANY grade level that meet these income levels are eligible for the Choice Program. For families that meet the levels, tuition is FREE. If anyone has questions about the Choice Program and how it works, please contact me, or tell others who have questions to call the school office. Your help in promoting this program is greatly appreciated.

### **WPCP Income Limits**

**220%** of the Federal Poverty Level for 2020-21

Family Size Maximum Yearly Income\* (Married families subtract \$7000 from the income levels below)

2 \$37,928

3 \$47,784

4 \$57,640

5 \$67,496

6 \$77,352

For each additional member add \$9,856

**IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT REGISTRATION IS COMPLETED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE** in order that the Board may develop an accurate budget for the upcoming school year.

**PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP COMPLETING THE VARIOUS FORMS.**

Our school launched the School Annual Fund two weeks ago as a means of supporting the educational ministry of the school. The annual giving collection for the school is continuing for the next couple of weeks. The response thus far has been tremendous, and we are so grateful to all of you who have generously given. The response from parents, staff, and parishioners has been incredible. I will provide a final report in a few weeks when the drive is completed.

If you have not yet had a chance to contribute, please return your commitment card by dropping it in the mail, at the school office, or by visiting our school website at [www.divinesaviorschool.org](http://www.divinesaviorschool.org) to complete an electronic commitment card. Thank you for your support.

Have a great week!  
Together in Christ,  
Kerry Sievert

## **WHAT IS THE CHOICE PROGRAM?**

I have been asked to clarify what the CHOICE program is all about. Basically, it is a program offered by the State of Wisconsin that pays the tuition of families that meet the income requirements. Those that meet that requirement receive a FREE education. This is also a help to the other families because the income from the CHOICE program assists in the school's operating costs.

Anyone wanting more information should call the school office. We will provide direction and assistance if needed to complete the registration forms on the DPI website. Families need to provide proof of income and proof of residence.

Any child new to Divine Savior is eligible at any grade level. Current students qualify if they are entering grades 4K, 5K, or Grade 1. Once in the program, tuition is covered for every year thereafter, but parents must register each year.

# CHOICE PROGRAM INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has posted a number of resources for Choice schools and parents for the upcoming 2021-22 student application process.

**Resources For Parents:** <https://dpi.wi.gov/choice>

- Link to Online Parent Application
- Application Process Presentation
- Overview of Private School Choice Programs in Wisconsin Handout (new - available in English, Spanish coming soon)
- Application Guidelines for Parents Handout (new - available in English, Spanish coming soon)
- Frequently Asked Questions for Parents (available in English, Spanish coming soon)
- Online Parent Application Print Screens
- School Lists and Contact Information (will be posted by January 29)
- Allowed Residency Documents
- Alternative Residency Documentation Form
- 2021-22 Income Limits

## Notes:

- **Parents must electronically submit the Online Parent Application at <https://dpi.wi.gov/choice>, and all applicants, regardless of their Choice status in the prior school year, must apply for the program every year.**
- Parents must provide the school(s) to which they apply proof of student eligibility including residency documentation and income documentation (if applicable). This documentation must be received by the school prior to the close of the application period in which the application is submitted via the Online Parent Application.
- Schools may assist parents during the application process, but schools may not submit applications on behalf of parents in the Online Parent Application. Schools may answer questions and have computers available for parents to use.
- Many parents complete the Online Parent Application in early February. As a result, the Online Parent Application, and the Online Application System (OAS) may be slow in the beginning of February. If parents receive an error when applying in early February, they should try again the next business day.
- Choice applications received in the same open application period are not accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

## SS. PETER & PAUL STUDENT ENVELOPES

Sorry for the delay in getting student envelopes out but beginning this year students who would like to use giving envelopes will need to request them from Kim in the office. All students in KN through high school juniors can receive student stewardship envelopes. If your child would like them, please contact the rectory office for pick up. ([secretary@sspeterpaul.org](mailto:secretary@sspeterpaul.org) or 894-3553) They can also be picked up on Wednesdays of Faith Formation or be sent over to the school and sent home with students. Each box contains 52 prenumbered & dated envelopes that have space for the child's name. For record keeping purposes, please be sure your child's name is on the envelope before dropping it in the collection. Everything we have is a gift from God. Students are encouraged to give a gift each week to God. The important thing is not the amount that students put in their envelope. Rather, it is the fact that students learn to give something back to the God who is so generous with them.

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FEBRUARY 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Chicken Sandwich Broccoli Fruit	2 Mini Corn Dogs Carrots and Peas Fruit	3 Bacon Cheeseburger Green Beans Fruit	4 Pepperoni Pizza Corn Fruit	5 Fish Sandwich Baked beans Fruit	6
7	8 Hot Turkey and Cheese Sandwich Carrots Fruit	9 French Toast Sticks Sausage Hash brown Fruit	10 Chicken Nuggets Cheesy Broccoli Fruit	11 Alfredo Meatballs Cauliflower Sliced bread Fruit	12 Pizza Dippers Baked Beans Fruit	13
14	15 Chicken Tacos Green Beans Fruit	16 Spaghetti and Meatballs Carrots Fruit	17 Bacon Egg and Cheese sandwich Hash brown Fruit	18 Chicken Nuggets Broccoli Fruit	19 No School	20
21	22 Pancakes Hash Brown Sausage Fruit	23 Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich Carrots Fruit	24 Chicken Alfredo Pasta Broccoli Fruit	25 Sausage Pizza Peas Fruit	26 Fish Sticks Baked Beans Fruit	27
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			<b>Condiments:</b> Cheese, Mustard, Ketchup, onion, lettuce, pickle, tomato, Ranch, Sour Cream, BBQ Sauce, Maple Syrup, Tartar sauce, alfredo, soy sauce & hot sauce	<b>Milk Choices</b> 1% Chocolate 1% White		<b>Lunch Prices:</b> PreK \$2.65 K5-8 \$2.95 Adults \$3.60 Milk .40

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE