

# Falcon Flyer

Fall 2021

WELCOME

WINTER

*SGB Dinner Auction*



## A note from the principal...

Happy Fall SGB Families!

What a beautiful time of year!...Leaves falling, pumpkins everywhere, farmers harvesting, a chill in the air, and football. Before you know it, Thanksgiving will be here.

It is hard to believe that we have already completed first quarter! I am still trying to figure out where the bathroom is, and we are starting second quarter! The good news is, I know every child's first name and most of the last names.

SGB is such a wonderful place to be! We have a great group of students, and parents. We all know we don't have great students without great parents! Your support is appreciated more than you know! SGB also has a dedicated, hard working staff, that constantly strives to meet the needs of every child academically, emotionally and spiritually. That is a significant daily task, and they show up every day prepared to do it. Most importantly, and something that I have not been used to as a 30 year public educator, is that we help our students build personal relationships with God.

In some recent news, Father Albert recently received word from the Bishop that I am no longer considered an interim principal, so it looks like I will be staying a little longer. I look forward to what the church, the students, the staff, and the parents can do together for SGB.

Please pray for the staff! Halloween falls on a Sunday evening, which means students will be in class on a candy high first thing Monday morning! We love it when Halloween falls on a school night! All kidding aside, it is such a pleasure to be here with this staff and your children each day.

God Bless, *Karma*





We are so excited for the upcoming PTO Dinner Auction.

**Silent Auction opens November 4, 2021**

**Live Auction is November 6, 2021 in the school gym**

**5:30 Doors Open**

**6:30 Dinner, Live Auction, Dancing with CASH bar to follow**

Adults only please, festive Christmas attire is encouraged, but not required.

Go to <https://one.bidpal.net/sgb2021/welcome> to purchase tickets and place your bids.

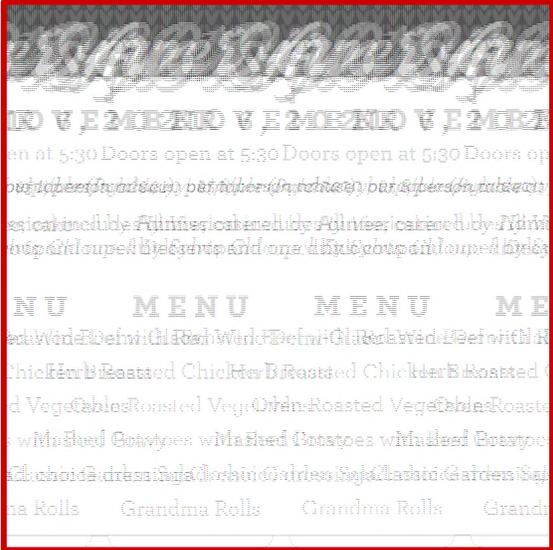
This year's auction will feature holiday greenery, weekend getaways, dental packages, sports and entertainment packages, plus countless items to fit every budget. There is the Holly Jolly \$2K Raffle where the winner will take home \$2000 cash OR apply \$2000 to their tuition. Don't miss out on the Tyreek Hill Jersey Raffle! Only 30 tickets will be sold!

The **LIVE AUCTION** will feature classroom art projects. Our students have made some amazing items! Plus exclusive items that will be revealed soon!

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter for item reveals.

All proceeds benefit the St. Gregory Barbarigo PTO, which supports the students by purchasing textbooks, computers, school supplies and equipment and much more.

We look forward to seeing you for a fun filled evening. Thank you for your support!



## Tyreek Hill Jersey Raffle

\$15/ticket

**ONLY 30 tickets available**



JSA Certification

Winner will be drawn Nov 6th

**Here's a sneak a peek of a few of the classroom projects that will be up for grabs at the live auction!**





## Second Quarter Dates

### Oct. 25th - 29th (Red Ribbon Week & Conferences)

- 25th PJ and Wacky Hair Day
- 26th Cozy Day  
FFF Meeting at 7:50am
- 27th FFF Shirts, Hats, Wacky Socks, & Sunglasses  
FFF Mass @8am; Living Rosary after Mass  
5th&6th Basketball Parent Mtg. @6pm
- 28th Costume Day  
Costume Parade @ 12:30  
Trunk or Treat @ 1p  
Fall Parties from 1:30 to 2:30pm
- 29th No School/No SACC

### Oct. 30th

- Homecoming Parade @ 9am
- Trash Pick up after NWMSU Football Game
- Pizza Ranch Fundraiser Dine In Only 11am-8pm

### Oct. 31st

- Pizza Ranch Fundraiser Dine In Only 11am-4pm

### Nov. 1st - 5th

- 1st BB vs NEN @ 5:30pm
- 2nd FFF Mass for All Souls' Day  
BB vs Rock Port @ 5:30pm
- 4th PTO Meeting @5:30pm  
BB @ North Nodaway @ 5:30pm
- 5th FFF Mass

### Nov. 6th

- PTO Silent Auction and Dinner @6pm

### Nov. 8th - 12th

- 8th BB vs. Worth County @5:30 pm
- 9th BB @ South Holt @5:30pm
- 10th School Advisory Council Meeting @6pm
- 11th Veteran's Day Assembly @8:45 am  
BB @ Mound City @5:30pm

### Nov. 15th - 19th (BB Tournament @ NEN)

- 15th XSTREAM
- 16th Second Quarter Midterm

### Nov. 22nd - 26th

- 22nd BB vs. West Nodaway @5:30pm
- 23rd Mass with FFF  
Activities with FFF after Mass  
BB vs. Savannah @5:30pm
- 24th through 26th - No School/No SACC

### Nov. 28th - Dec. 3rd

- 29th BB @ St. James @5:30pm
- 30th FFF Meeting @ 7:50am  
BB vs. East Atchison @5:30pm
- 2nd Girls BB @ Clarinda Luth. @4pm
- 3rd FFF Mass

### Dec. 6th - 10th

- 6th FFF Meeting @7:50am
- 8th No School/No SACC  
School Advisory Council Meeting @6pm

### Dec. 13th - 17th

- 13th XSTREAM
- 14th FFF Meeting @7:50am  
SA & SAA Christmas Party @4pm
- 15th Christmas Program @7pm
- 16th Christmas Caroling
- 17th FFF Mass at 8am  
Christmas Dance @9am  
Early Dismissal @12:30pm  
End of 2nd Quarter

Christmas Break is December 20th - January 3rd

## Come cheer on the Falcons!

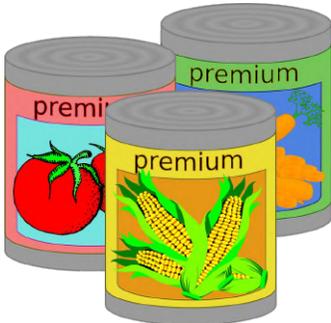


Don't forget that students get into the home basketball games for **free!**





## Stocktoberfest



Keep bringing in food items and money donations. All donations go to the Ministry Center. The winning class will be determined by the number of items.

## Coat Drive



Collecting new and used adult sized coats through November 6th. The most needed sizes are men's medium and large, but all sizes are appreciated.

## Christmas Program



The Christmas Program will be at the Lee and Nina Schneider Performing Arts Center.

Please have students there by 6:45pm

## **CRUNCH FOR A CAUSE**



The Student Ambassadors would like to thank everyone for coming to the Crunch for a Cause at Taco John's. We were able to raise **\$653.39.**



FUNDRAISER FOR TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Don't forget to get some lunch or supper at Pizza Ranch on the 30th from 11am to 8pm or on the 31st from 11am to 4pm. A portion of the proceeds and **ALL** tips will go to the Professional Development Fund for the teachers.





## Check this out!

Please notice the icons on the upper right corner on each page of the newsletter. These icons are linked to the school's Facebook, Instagram & Twitter. The falcon head in the lower right hand corner is linked to the school's website. All you have to do is click on the icon and it will take you to the corresponding website! Also, each classroom site is linked at the title at the top of each class page.

### Falcon Alerts

Sign up for FALCON ALERTS and get important information about St. Gregory's School sent as text messages directly to your mobile phone, wireless PDA or pager. You can find the link on our school website under the 'Welcome' tab and then go to **FALCON ALERT**. If you would like to be added to athletic alerts, please go to the welcome tab again and click on "Sign up for Falcon alerts" and then click on "Update message preferences" (see below). Once you click update, then please follow the instructions.

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**EMERGENCY INFORMATION  
SCHOOL CLOSINGS  
EARLY DISMISSALS  
SCHOOL EVENT REMINDERS**





## Winter Weather Information

Winter weather will be here, so we want to take this opportunity to remind you about how decisions are made and communicated when the weather is severe. The safety of our students is our top priority, and we always follow a set of guidelines in conjunction with Maryville R-II to make decisions about whether St. Gregory Barbarigo School will be open or closed.

The administration must make a decision that is the best for all students. We realize, at times, our decisions may not fit with your individual circumstances. Therefore, we encourage and strongly support you in making the decision that is best for your child(ren). You are always the best judge of your child's health and safety. When school closes, many families have issues with child care. As a result, we try to keep school open if it's safe to do so. However, as previously stated, parents can always make the decision to keep their child(ren) at home in bad weather.

### **How can I find out if St. Gregory Barbarigo School is closed?**

On days when the weather is bad, listen to any local radio or television station for information about school closing. The following stations will be contacted when St. Gregory Barbarigo School is closed:

KXCV (90.5 FM)	KNIM (97.1 FM)	KJO (105.5 FM)	KQ 2 (TV)
KSJQ (92.7 FM)	KCTV5 (TV)	KFEQ (680 AM)	KSFT (1550 AM)

If you have signed up for our Falcon Alerts, you will also receive a text message about school closings, late starts, or early dismissals. An email will also be sent out from the school office.

### **When school is closed, are other activities canceled as well?**

When St. Gregory Barbarigo School is closed for the day or dismisses early, it also means that all activities scheduled after school or that evening are canceled, including all after school athletics and meetings.

### **Will school be dismissed early on days when the weather is bad?**

St. Gregory Barbarigo School will dismiss early if Maryville R-II plans to dismiss early due to weather. Except in extreme weather cases, SACC will be offered until 5:30pm.

We appreciate your understanding of the difficulties in making this decision, and your support in helping your child get to school safely on winter days. Please know that the safety of all of our students is our first priority when making all weather-related decisions.

Please read below for information on 2 hour late starts on winter weather days.

### **2 Hour Delay Information for St. Gregory Barbarigo School**

If St. Gregory Barbarigo School should choose a 2 hour delay for starting the school day, these procedures will be followed.

Before school care (SACC) **will not** be offered when a 2 hour delay is implemented. After school care will be offered until 5:30pm.

Drop off for Preschool-8th grade students will begin at 9:25am and the school day will start at 9:55am. **School doors will open at 9:25am and drop off for all students begins at this time.**

Dismissal will be at regular time.

The following media will be accessed to inform parents of the delay: Falcon Alert –via text message

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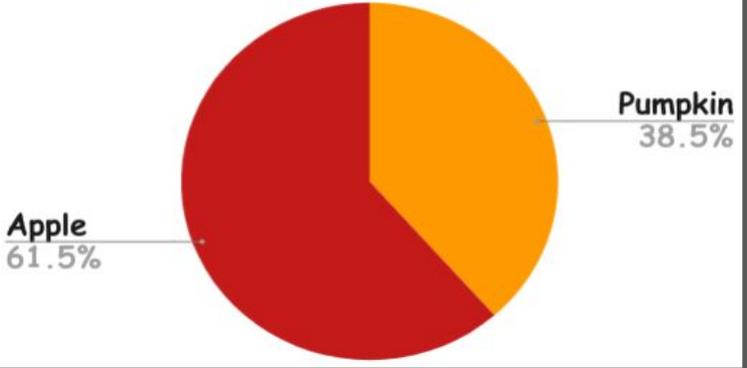
# Preschool North and Preschool South

OUR 'LIL PUMPKINS  
ARE THE APPLES  
OF OUR EYES

"I'll meet you at the pumpkin patch!" Our kiddos traveled to Schweizer Orchards in October and enjoyed picking pumpkins and apples, taking a wagon ride, and playing on the orchard playground. This group truly is FALLing in love with school!



Easy as Pie



*Favorite Part of the Field Trip:*  
**THE PLAYGROUND**

*Each kiddo was able to take home one pumpkin and one apple.*  
**THANK YOU, PTO!**





## Kindergarten

It's been a busy fall in Kindergarten. We're learning so much and having fun doing it. In Reading and phonics, we're learning how to peel beginning sounds and have been practicing our new sight words. In Math, we're solving some, some more and some, some went away problems, counting pennies, and learning our doubles facts. We've used our 5 senses to study apples, discussed families, and learned about Christopher Columbus. D.A.R.E. with Officer Ian has been a highlight this quarter as well.



## First Grade



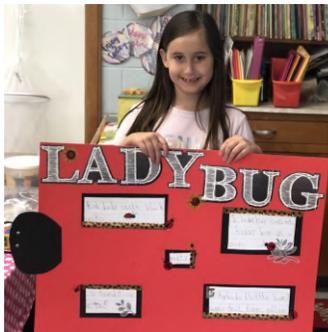
The students enjoyed doing an awesome activity with Mrs. Starke about the story of Creation.



They did an amazing job designing their "Circle of Creation" wheels in Religion class.



The first graders investigated a "Bug's Life" by doing research on their favorite insects!





## Second Grade

Our second grade school family had an amazing start to our school year. During Reading and writing, we studied realistic fiction, fantasy, expository and fable texts. After each story we have been summarizing and responding to different aspects of the text. During Religion, we have been focusing on the overarching concept of all the ways that we are blessed. We are so excited that several friends will be able to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation very soon. Recently in Science, we explored characteristics that scientists use to group animals together. Then we encountered a mystery as we discovered a "new animal" and had to find which group of animals it belonged to in order to solve the mystery. To end the quarter in Math, we focused on rounding to the nearest 10 and different ways to solve math problems. One highlight of our semester was having the opportunity to have D.A.R.E. with Officer Myers.



## Third Grade

The 3rd grade troops have been off to a wonderful start of the 2021 - 2022 school year. In ELA we have studied 4 different genres and have written 3 different reports. In grammar, the students have enjoyed applying what they have learned in their personal journals. For Religion, the troops have enjoyed being back in their Falcon Faith Families, and have taken a deep dive into the hierarchy of the church and the meaning behind the Apostles Creed. To finish off the quarter, they just completed their government unit where they learned about the structure, the purpose of each branch, the constitution, and the formal law writing process. Some of the other fun things they have participated in was having a lab on 9 / 11, publishing reports over national monuments, and getting to know and take on more mass roles!





## Fourth Grade

Fourth grade has been very busy! We have been learning simple division in math. The kiddos realize how much it helps knowing their multiplication facts! In reading, we just finished writing a Compare and Contrast paper on two animals and are moving into a Drama unit. In Science, we are discussing simple machines. The students will be designing their own simple machine to then bring in and demonstrate to the class. We just learned the three branches of government and the U.S. Constitution in Social Studies. Our weekly D.A.R.E. sessions have come to an end. We are going to miss seeing Officer Meyers every week!



## Fifth Grade/5-8 Social Studies

Fifth grade has really been getting into the groove of their first year of middle school. We have done some fun things so far such as Vocation Day in St. Joseph and also getting to read with the preschoolers once a month. We have recently just finished publishing our first paper this year where each student wrote a personal narrative about a memorable time in their lives. We have also jumped into the textbook in social studies and started to learn about the different landforms and bodies of water in the U.S. as well as how we interact with our surroundings.





## Sixth Grade/5-8 Math

Sixth grade has focused on the word "steward" throughout the first quarter. We learned that God created Adam and Eve to be stewards of the lands, and we are called to carry on the responsibility of stewardship. We have focused on being good stewards in the classroom with giving our best effort, using our time wisely, making the most of our gifts and talents, as well as embracing our chance at being students. The sixth graders have absolutely lived out their mission of stewardship in the classroom thus far through their Wonder book reports, their How to be a Good American essays, their STEM projects with first grade, their Reading Buddies experiences with Preschool, by helping throughout the school, by keeping the classroom and hallways clean, and through the culture they create both in and out of the classroom. Way to shine, sixth grade. You are truly working hard to be good stewards.



## Seventh Grade

In English, we completed our unit over subjects and predicates, nouns, and wrote our first personal narrative, as well as some poetry. The class also participated in an essay contest with the topic "How Can I Be A Good American". The students worked through the five paragraph essay format and did a fantastic job! They have been working very hard on our class project for the Silent Auction. They think their project is the best, and I have to agree!



In Religion class, we have been focusing on the Blessed Trinity and how we can get to know God through scripture.

We have had a great first quarter in 7th grade! We finished our book The Island of the Blue Dolphins, and are about to finish The Witch of Blackbird Pond. The students enjoyed carving faces into an apple that will later become "the witch" from our book.





## Eighth Grade/5-8 Science



The eighth graders are off to a fantastic start. We have read the first two books of *The Hunger Games* and are currently working on the third. In science, we are learning how to interpret the Periodic Table of Elements. We have become Falcon Faith Family ambassadors and assistants, as well as photographers and editors of the SGB yearbook. We attend weekly mass, and are blessed to have Fr. Albert come talk to our class about our faith journey. We are fortunate to be able to be a part of many other activities in eighth grade, including: DARE, geocaching, XSTREAM, learning to play guitars, and sponsoring Stocktoberfest. We even got to create a cool class project that will be auctioned off at the PTO auction.

## Technology

Kindergarten and first grade have both worked on logging onto the computer. Kindergarten has been working on their mouse skills. First grade and second graders have been working on identifying parts of the computer. Third graders and fourth graders have review their typing skills. Third through seventh grade have worked on digital citizenship. Additionally the fourth through 7th graders were introduced and/or reviewed MLA format. The eighth graders have been busy working on taking photos for the yearbook.

Parents - all the icons on this page are hyperlinked.  
Simply click on them and your child can use the website!





## Music News:

It's be a great year so far in music class!

**8th graders** are busy learning guitar chords and strumming.

**7th graders** just created digital music games for younger students to play. **6th graders** wrapped up a Children's

Storybook Rhythm project and **5th grade** learned all about

the instruments of the orchestra. The entire **middle school** is working hard on reading choral music and learning to sight-read.

**4th graders** are busy earning Recorder Karate belts,

**3rd grade** is learning how to be a songleader at Mass,

**2nd grade** is studying sixteenth notes and composing,

**1st grade** is learning sol-mi and quarter rest songs,

**Kindergarten** is singing and playing fall songs.

The next few weeks will be filled with lots of fun Fall and Halloween music for all the elementary grades.



Kori & Tate play the music games they created with 3rd grade



Addy & Geordynn play games created by last year's 7th grade



4th graders race to find notes on the floor staff



1st Graders play each others' compositions

## Upcoming Dates:

11/11 - School Veterans Day Performance  
8:45am in the church. [K-8 vocal]

12/4 - MCDA Honor Choir - Platte City  
5/6 Concert, 3pm - 7/8 Concert, 4pm  
[selected 5-8 vocal students]

12/15 - Christmas Concert @ 7pm. MHS  
Auditorium [PreK-8th Music & Band]





## Physical Education

Thus far in physical education we have completed our team building unit, our first Fitness Testing of the year, volleyball and football units. We will complete our Fitness test again around Christmas and at the end of the school year to see their progress. Please encourage your student to always do their best.

In our volleyball unit we practiced the correct technique of bumping/passing, setting, and serving. We practiced these skills as individuals, with partners and during mini games. We used bigger and lighter volleyballs for the younger kiddos so when they hit the ball it didn't hurt. The older students were allowed to let the ball bounce before they hit it to encourage volleys.

In our football unit we worked mostly on throwing and catching. These skills are very important in many different sports. We practiced throwing a spiral and where our hand goes on the ball. We practiced catching with two hands. The older kiddos played many different variations of football which encouraged them all to be the quarterback and receiver.

We are in the middle of our fitness week where the students participate in a variety of fitness activities to help strengthen their bodies. The hope is they find activities they can do outside of school with their families.



## Athletics

Our Falcon Athletes have been busy this fall participating in Volleyball, Football, and Softball. Our student-athletes in 7th/8th grades get to participate in football thanks to a cooperative sponsorship with Maryville Middle School. The same goes for softball with the exception they coop with Northeast Nodaway. All three seasons have come to a close but all of our athletes completed hard and represented St. Gregory amazingly. Our volleyball team would like to thank our PTO for purchasing our new Volleyball Net System.



Now onto basketball season!! Practice is already underway and both our girls and boys teams are looking forward to their first game. Our first game is home against Northeast Nodaway on Monday, November 1st with a start time of 5:30pm. All current St. Gregory students can attend the game for free with an adult present. We hope to see you there to support our Falcon Basketball teams.

Calling all 5th/6th grade students and their parents who are interested in playing basketball for St. Gregory. We will have a Parent Meeting on Wednesday, October 27th at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Please plan to have at least one parent attend the meeting to get the information.





## Falcon Faith Family (FFF) Update

2021-2022

**ST. GREG'S**



The Student Ambassadors (SA) met before school started to design our FFF shirts and create a welcome back video, which is featured on the school's website. They also helped work the Back to School night by helping carry items for families, serve food, etc.

During the first FFF meeting the students introduced themselves. They also came up with a name for their FFF. These names are listed in the chart below!

All the students received a FFF shirt. These shirts are to be worn at our All School Masses and for special FFF events.

Frederick's Flying Falcons	Mrs. Seipel's Squad
Faithful Followers	Friendly Freddie's
Renshaw's Mighty Crusaders	Blessed Warriors
The Caring Kids	Gastler's Kind Creators
Ackley's Army	Hopeful Warriors
Angelic Army	The Praise Brigade
Friendly Falcons	Braymen's Faithful Falcons

At another meeting the FFF got to work and play! In September the FFF got together and worked on service projects and also got to go to recess together. Some of the service projects they worked to complete were: sorting the server robes by size, weeding the courtyard, picking up trash, praying for the babies that have been Baptized at church, cleaning pews, and more! It's a great way for our students to learn that we can all be servants and have fun at the same time!





## What are you going to dress up as for Halloween?



Princess Ballerina  
- Lucy, Preschool



Firefighter  
- Isaiah, Preschool



Cinderella  
- Brooklyn, Pre-K



Dinosaur  
- Isaiah, Pre-K



Witch  
- Caroline, Kindergarten



Bounty Hunter  
- Carter, Kindergarten



Belle  
- Hadlee, First Grade



Pennywise  
- Cash, First Grade



Evie from Descendents  
- Anna, Second Grade



Football PLayer  
- Austin, Second Grade



Vampire  
- Tori, Third Grade



Trashcan  
- Patrick, Third Grade





## What are you going to dress up as for Halloween?



Zombie Cowgirl  
- Raelyn, Fourth Grade



Harry Potter Character  
- Branson, Fourth Grade



Starbucks Drink  
- Emily, Fifth Grade



Football Player  
- Jayden, Fifth Grade



Starbucks Drink  
- Jade, Sixth Grade



Astronaut  
- Cole, Sixth Grade



Witch  
- Kori, Seventh Grade



Spider  
- Luke, Seventh Grade



Donut  
- Bella, Eighth Grade



Donut  
- Brett, Eighth Grade

**Student Questions done by:**  
Evelyn, FFF/SA Secretary  
and  
Jacy, FFF/SA Historian





## Faculty and Staff Spotlight

### Mrs. Seipel



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Baseball

**Favorite Food:** Seafood

**Favorite Quote:** "To teach, is to touch a life forever."

"She is really beautiful and a great teacher." - Emmaline, 1st

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### Mrs. Louiselle



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Basketball

**Favorite Food:** Watermelon

**Favorite Quote:** "Love never fails. If there are prophecies, they will be brought to nothing; if tongues, they will cease; if knowledge, it will be brought to nothing."

"She likes teaching us." - Racen, 2nd

Created By: Brylee & Weston

### Mrs. Freund



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Football

**Favorite Food:** Steak

**Favorite Quote:** "Faith, hope, and love; the greatest of these is love."

"She is a really nice teacher." - Marleigh, 3rd

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### Mrs. Renshaw



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** 8th Gr. Football

**Favorite Food:** Steak

**Favorite Quote:** "Walk by faith, and not by sight."

"She is always an exciting teacher." - Branson, 4th

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### Mr. Klocke



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Football

**Favorite Food:** Chicken Fettuccine Alfredo

**Favorite Quote:** "I'm a peacock, you gotta let me fly."

"He's nice and he is so good at teaching social studies." - Regan, 5th

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### Mrs. Gastler



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Baseball

**Favorite Food:** Grilled Chicken

**Favorite Quote:** "Teaching is a walk in the park, if it is Jurassic Park."

"She is a really fun teacher." - Grace, 7th

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## Mrs. Casteel



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Chiefs Football  
**Favorite Food:** Macaroni and Cheese  
**Favorite Quote:** "God doesn't call the qualified, he qualifies the called." - Christine Caine  
 "She is always prepared for anything and she loves us all like a mom."  
 Olivia, 8th

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## Mrs. Dropinski



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Sporting KC Soccer  
**Favorite Food:** Chocolate  
**Favorite Quote:** "Be who God wants you to be and you will set the world on fire."  
 "She is a nice and great band teacher." - Cate, 5th

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## Mrs. Quinlin



**Favorite Sport to Watch:** Basketball  
**Favorite Food:** Pizza  
**Favorite Quote:** "Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."  
 "She is so nice and always says "hi" to me in the hallway." - Brielle, 2nd

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**Faculty and Staff Spotlight done by:**  
 Weeston, FFF/SA President  
 and  
 Brylee, FFF/SA Vice President

# TOUR OUR SCHOOL



Call 660.582.2462 to schedule

Know someone interested in St. Gregory Barbarigo School?  
 Tell them to call for a tour!

