



On Matters of Principal

September 20, 2007

Dear Parents,

ITBS Starts Monday, 9/24

Starting Monday, 9/24, through Tuesday, 10/2, students from grades 1 through 8 will be taking the Diocesan directed The Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS) and the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) during the first 2 hours of each school day.

These tests provide in-depth measurement of important instructional objectives and assess student performance in reading, language, mathematics, social studies, science, and sources of information. The use of the tests helps parents and teachers prepare the students for future by providing insight into important aspects of student's skill development.

St Anne utilizes the results by comparing our progress nationally with all public, private, and Catholic schools, who take the tests, and statewide with other Catholic schools. These tools assist the faculty by providing detailed data that help establish improvement areas to St Anne's academic program.

Dear Parents, please assure that the students are well rested and are present at school during these seven days to maximize their performance and to minimize make-up tests. Thank you,

Second Collection @ St Anne

The Second Collection @ St Anne Church this weekend is for St Anne School. By providing a monthly second collection to add to the school's revenue, parishioners of St Anne give another example of their on-going commitment to the school. Being a Parish School, we are a team with the Parish and all support will be greatly appreciated. Please be generous.

Key Upcoming Events

9/20	Thursday	Progress Reports sent home
9/21	Friday	Mass (Mrs. Cooper) @ 9 AM
9/24	Monday	ITBS Testing starts
9/26	Wednesday	Middle School Cheerleading & Girls/Boys Basketball Sign-ups (\$75) @ 3 PM
9/28	Friday	Mass (Faculty) @ 10 AM

Reminders!

- St Anne "second collection" **Saturday, 9/22 & Sunday, 9/23**
- ITBS & CogAt Testing (Grades 1 to 8) **Monday, 9/24 thru Tuesday, 10/2**
- School Pictures **Wednesday, 10/3 & Thursday, 10/4**
- Book Fair **Monday, 10/8 thru Friday, 10/12**
- McTeachers' Night @ McDonalds **Tuesday, 10/16**
- End of First Quarter **Friday, 10/19**
- Early Dismissal **Friday, 10/19** (K4/5, Gr 1-3 Noon, Gr 4-8 12:15 PM)
- "Crop Walk" **Sunday, 10/21**

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"We are St. Anne"

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