

# Jr/Sr High Newsletter

 Regina Catholic Education Center



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## From the Principal

We are entering our last full month of the school year (we have 2 days in June). They say time flies when you are having fun. That is definitely true here at Regina. While there are some days that go better than others, I look forward to coming to school each and every day. It is a true joy to work with awesome students and alongside great teachers and staff.

The month of May is dedicated to Mary. Therefore, our daily prayer for the month will be the Rosary. We will be praying a decade from each mystery through the rest of the school year. We invite our students to bring a rosary to school to aid them in daily prayer.

I found this condensed version of the Marian Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas at [udayton.edu](http://udayton.edu). I liked how the saint speaks to the importance of Mary and how Mary helps for us in many ways.

*O most blessed and sweet Virgin Mary,  
Mother of God, filled with all tenderness,  
Daughter of the most high King,  
Lady of the Angels,  
Mother of all the faithful,*

*On this day and all the days of my life,  
I entrust to your merciful heart my body and my soul,  
all my acts, thoughts, choices,  
desires, words, deeds,  
my entire life and death,*

*So that, with your assistance,  
all may be ordered to the good  
according to the will of your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ...*

Glenn Plummer  
Principal

### Baccalaureate Mass

Baccalaureate Mass will be held at St. Patrick Church at 7:30 on Wednesday, May 25.

### Graduation

Commencement exercises for the Class of 2016 will be held in the Junior-Senior High Gym at 2:00 on Sunday, May 29.

### Awards Assembly & Seniors Last Day

Our annual awards assembly will be held at 9:00 on Wednesday, May 25 in the Jr Sr High Gym. Seniors receiving Foundation scholarships will be attending the Foundation luncheon after the awards assembly. The rest of the seniors will be free for lunch. All seniors are expected to be back to school by 1:00 for graduation and baccalaureate practice. The seniors will be dismissed for their final time after the practice.

**National Honor Society Induction**

The induction ceremony for the National Honor Society will be held at 7:30 on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at Saint Patrick Church.

**2016-2017 Registration & Scheduling**

Registration for next school year is complete. The master schedule has been started and we hope to have student schedules completed in July.

It is never too late for new students to join Regina. Please contact Pam Schowalter (pam.schowalter@regina.org) if you or someone you know is interested in joining Regina.

**AP Exams**

Advanced Placement exams will be given the weeks of May 2 and May 9. See Mrs. Zoulek with any questions you may have in regards to the exams.

**Senior Trip**

The annual Regina senior trip was the week of April 4<sup>th</sup>. Highlights of the trip included touring the Battlefield at Gettysburg, Smithsonian museums, and Arlington National Cemetery.

**Semester Test Schedule**

**May 31-June 1 (A Day all 3 days)**

**Students must report to their classes at the scheduled times.**

**Tuesday, 5/31**

8:20 ó 9:35	1 <sup>st</sup> Period Classes
9:45 ó 11:00	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period Classes
11:10 ó 12:25	5 <sup>th</sup> Period Classes
1:00 ó 3:30	Test Make-up Period

**Wednesday, 6/1**

8:20 ó 9:35	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period Classes
9:45 ó 11:00	4 <sup>th</sup> Period Classes
11:10 ó 12:25	6 <sup>th</sup> Period Classes
1:00 ó 3:30	Test Make-up Period

**Thursday, 6/2**

8:20 ó 9:35	7 <sup>th</sup> Period Classes
9:45 ó 11:00	8 <sup>th</sup> Period Classes
11:00 ó 3:30	Test Make-up Period

**\*\*Students reporting late to a testing period will not be given additional time\*\***

No lunch service will be provided over these three days of testing. If a student is staying at school they will need to bring their own lunch.

Students need to make arrangements for transportation in order to leave school immediately after their last testing period or test make-up period.

All students are to be in their scheduled classes from 8:20-12:25 on Tuesday and Wednesday, and from 8:20-11:00 on Thursday. All students are to be in school for their study hall, with the exception of juniors and seniors. Juniors and seniors may leave campus during their study hall.

### High School Teacher Excellence Award

Congratulations to Michele Goldsmith, 7-12 Science teacher, for receiving High School Teacher Excellence Award from the Iowa City Area Chamber of Commerce. Michele is in her 16<sup>th</sup> year at Regina. She teaches Chemistry and Physics.



### New for Next Year

We have some exciting changes and additions in store for next school year. They are:

- **CHROMEBOOKS!** Every student in grades 7-12 will be issued a Chromebook.
- High school religion will be every day. High school PE will be every other day and opposite another course depending on your grade (9<sup>th</sup>-Health, 10<sup>th</sup>-Personal Finance, 11<sup>th</sup>-Speech, 12<sup>th</sup>-Senior Seminar)
- No more C, D, E, or F days. Only A and B days.
- New courses include Principles of Biomedical Science (PLTW), Senior Seminar, Acting, AP Computer Science Principles, and Microsoft Office Specialist

### Special Events News

**SAVE THE DATE:** The Iowa City Fall Fun Festival is moving to a new weekend. Mark your calendars for **August 19 and 20, 2016** and make plans to kick off the 2016-2017 school year with us! Same FUN, different weekend. For Q&A's about the Festival, visit <https://regina.org>

**NEEDED:** The Festival is in need of volunteer coordinators to organize the garage sale. This will include donation collections at the school, setting up the garage sale and coordination of sales. Please contact Trish Kohl at [319-358-2455](tel:319-358-2455) if you are interested.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The 2017 Regina Gala will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at the Coralville Marriott hotel. Contact Trish Kohl at [319-358-2455](tel:319-358-2455) if you are interested in being on the planning committee

Dear Parents and Students,

As mathematics standards become more rigorous, it is important that we continue preparing our students to meet and exceed these standards during the regular school year. Our goal is for every student to understand and master mathematical skills and be able to apply them to real-life scenarios.

It is common for students to experience what educators call “summer slide” (content knowledge loss) during the summer months. This is usually due to students not practicing, having access to, or using mathematical concepts they learned in the previous years. To help curb the summer slide, all Regina students will complete a Summer Review Packet.

Summer Review Packets are course-specific and geared to remind students about essential concepts they will need entering their math course in the fall. These packets will also be used by the teachers at the beginning of the year to understand where the class’ strengths and weaknesses are as a whole, and where to focus possible remedial review. Reducing remedial review will allow teachers to start course-specific concepts sooner, allowing more time for new material. Again, our goal is for every student to understand and master mathematical skills as prescribed in the Iowa CORE—the summer review packets are one method that will help accomplish this goal.

All Summer Review Packets are due on Wednesday, August 24, 2016. Students will have an opportunity to correct and ask questions about the problems the first few days of classes. During the first week, all courses will have a Basic Skills Assessment covering concepts from the Summer Review Packets.

Students will be given a hard-copy of the packets May 20. Copies will also be available in the High School office and online. KahnAcademy, YouTube, and Math.com provide great resources for extra help. You can also order supplementary review books from Summer Skills through Lynne Zoulek for \$20. These review books are offered as a resource for additional review and do not replace the Regina Summer Review Packets. Deadline to order Summer Skills books is May 6th.

Thank you for your continued support in your child’s education.

If you have any further questions, please contact Marielle Thomas at [marielle.thomas@regina.org](mailto:marielle.thomas@regina.org)

## May 2016 High School Newsletter

### MAY ORDER WEEKS

May 2

May 9

May 16

May 23

Orders are due by 9 am on the Mondays of order weeks. Send your order with your student (remind them to turn it in!) or drop it in the green Scrip mailbox in the back parking lot.

The Scrip Office is open every day school is in session and the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month from 8 – 9 am.

Don't forget to use Scrip when planning for Mother's Day, Graduation and the end of the school year. We have several \$10, \$20 and \$25 cards that are perfect for graduation and teacher gifts. We even have a list of teacher and staff favorites in the Scrip office. Check it out to pick the perfect gift.

### VOLUNTEER NEEDS

The Regina Scrip program is looking for volunteers to pick up Scrip certificates at local businesses on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Please contact Traci Wagner (t.wagner@mchsi.com) for more details if you are available to help.

We will also need help during the summer months:

Office help from 8 – 11 on Monday morning of order weeks

Office help from 8 – 10 on Thursday morning of order weeks

Runners on Tuesday (Eastside Iowa City pick-up) and Wednesday of order weeks

### SUMMER ORDER WEEKS

June 13

July 11

August 8

The Scrip Office is open for business during the summer months. We will also have cash & carry hours. Look for further information on our Facebook page and in Scrip emails.

Regina's Scrip Program is on Facebook! Check us out at [www.facebook.com/ICReginaSCRIP](http://www.facebook.com/ICReginaSCRIP).

Make sure you are subscribed to the Scrip email list. Add "Scrip" to your Regina Constant Contact profile by visiting the [sign up form](#).

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**MEMORIAL MASS**

Annually Regina honors and remembers all of those individuals memorialized by their loved ones through gifts made



to Regina Foundation to benefit Regina through memorials or estate gifts. Such generous gifts have helped make it possible for generations of students to receive a Catholic education at Regina.

In this photo, the children of Rob '87 & Stacy '91 Sueppel and Katy '97 and Matt '94 Brown present a candle in their great grandfather's memory at the all-school Memorial Mass on April 20. Jerry DeFrance, the grandfather of Stacy and Matt, died in July of 2015. His family named Regina as a beneficiary of Jerry's memorials.

**GIVE & GROW**

Our thanks to the University of Iowa Community Credit Union for partnering with Regina Foundation for the 3rd annual Give & Grow Initiative. Give & Grow is a matching gift program created to encourage UICCU members to give to educational foundations in the numerous counties they serve.



Regina Foundation reached its \$5,000 matching cap figure on April 15th (began on April 1st). Donations made by Regina family and friends are very much appreciated. The **\$10,000** in donor and matching gifts is being used towards the school's funding priorities as outlined in the 2015-16 Annual Appeal which has a \$450,000 goal.

**ALUMNI CORNER**

Regina's alumni are the best reflection of our institution to the world. Please check out the latest and greatest on our alums (including this year's seniors in the "Soon To Be Alums" section) via the Spring 2016 Regina Record alumni newsletter at this site:



[icreginafoundation.com](http://icreginafoundation.com)  
and on Facebook:  
[facebook.com/ReginaAlumniNetwork/](https://facebook.com/ReginaAlumniNetwork/)

**THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS**

Words can't adequately capture what is in our hearts for the many volunteers who make the Regina Foundation work. So, a simple thanks will have to do to these people who lend their time, talent and treasure:



**Regina Foundation Board:**

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| Chrissy Chambliss '87 | Board President & Executive Committee Chair           |
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| Greg McLaughlin       | Chair of Development Committee                        |
| Mike McLaughlin '79   | Member of Development Committee                       |
| April Rouner (staff)  | Board Secretary & Interim Chair Stewardship Committee |

**Committee Members:**

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|---------------------------|--|
| <b>Development:</b>       | Shawn Wax, David McIntosh, Allison Slager, Brian DeCoster, Mark Koch       |
| <b>Stewardship:</b>       | Anne Kelly, Sandy Hamilton, Joel Holthaus, Paula Rogers                    |
| <b>PR/Marketing:</b>      | Jenn Wagner, Alissa Jarrett '02, Jamie Nicpon, Anne Matthes                |
| <b>Office Volunteers:</b> | Sue Waterman, Jane Brown '68, Tina Jennings, Missy Aitchison, Morgan Jones |

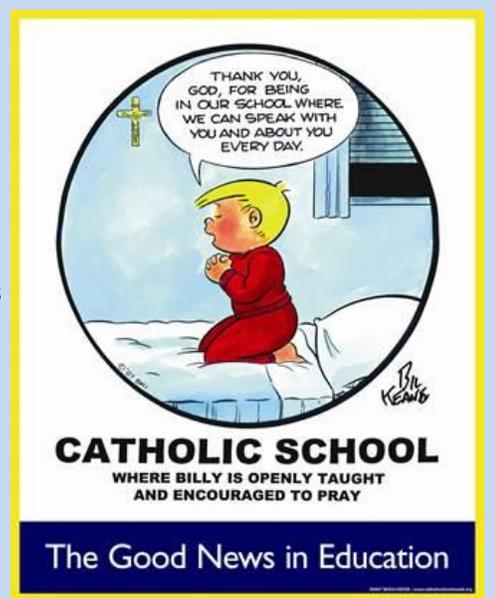
**IF YOU KNOW ANY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS PLEASE JOIN US IN THANKING THEM FOR HELPING TO MAKE REGINA A BETTER PLACE!!**

**GOOD NEWS PARTNERSHIP**

All Regina parents are asked to partner with Regina with a gift of \$100 or more to 2015-2016 Annual Appeal.

Programs to benefit from the 2015-2016 Annual Appeal:

- A Just Salary for Our Teachers
- Tuition Relief for All Students
- Textbooks
- iPad & Chromebook Purchases
- Bio-Medical Engineering Program
- Endowment Growth
- Facilities Improvements



Click here to give securely online: [icreginafoundation.com](http://icreginafoundation.com)



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#### **Our Mission**

Regina is committed to preparing tomorrow's leaders through a comprehensive educational experiences focused on excellence and anchored in the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church.

#### **Our Vision**

Regina strives to be the leading faith-based preK-12 educational center. We do this by instilling excellence through faith, character, knowledge and community.

#### **Our Core Values**

Educating to the academic potential of each student  
Developing strong moral character  
Learning and living our Catholic faith  
Building community  
Providing vast opportunities for additional growth

**Do you know someone who might want to be a Regal?**

We are now touring for the 2015-16 school year for  
Preschool through grade 12.

Shadow experiences for students are also available.

Please contact Pam Schowalter  
at [pam.schowalter@regina.org](mailto:pam.schowalter@regina.org) or phone [\(319\) 499-9006](tel:3194999006).

**Come share the Regal way today!**