

# ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL CORNER

APRIL 29, 2024

## TIME TO SHOW WHAT WE KNOW! SBA MONTH!!

### SBA TEST DATES

SCIENCE SBA 5TH GRADE	5/7- 5/9
ELA SBA 3RD-6TH	5/13- 5/16
MATH SBA	5/20- 5/24
MAKE UP TEST DAYS IF NEEDED	5/28- 6/5

### Thursday Mass

**Crowning of Mary Mass is this Thursday!!! Please send flowers if you would like with your student. We will process in and place flowers around Mary and the 2nd grade 1st communion class will crown her. The 2nd grade class will also receive communion gifts at the end of Mass.**

### Message From Principal

May is the month when our 3rd–6th grade students participate in the state test, Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA). We approach this test more as a teaching tool to guide instruction and find any gaps in curriculum we may have. For our 6th grade students, the SBA scores are used for placement into middle school classes. We encourage students to take their time and do their best.

### TEST SECURITY

Test week begins next week. You will notice signs on the door to announce we are testing. During testing, the hallway and all classrooms will be closed to visitors. If you need to get something to your student, simply leave it in the office and we will get it to them during a predetermined break or after

Please make sure your students are in attendance on the listed dates. We have firm guidelines given to us as to when the test is to be given and how to administer. If the test has begun and your student is absent, they will have to complete the test the day they return before they are allowed to rejoin the classroom. This ensures test security and content is upheld.

lunch when testing is done for the day. Each day, testing will be held from 8:30-11:00. The afternoon schedule will remain normal. **\*\*Some testing security norms:** Please note all electronics, including smart watches, have to be away in backpacks and in a secure location during testing. Students

We are cheering the students on and making the testing sessions as stress free as possible. Think extra snacks and fun extra breaks:) \*Please make sure your students eats a healthy breakfast and leaves their Chromebook at school each day to be ready for the next day!



are taught to not discuss test questions or content in between sessions, on the busses, at lunch, or recess. No electronic device can be used during any testing session for any purpose other than taking the test. Once the sessions is completed and all students are complete, security can be lifted.