



March 30th, 2019

### News from SFX!

**Did you know that when the Jesuits decided to enter into the ministry of education** (the first school was created in 1548 in Sicily) it was considered a radical decision for the age? Ignatian spirituality “forms” our teaching methods and how we care for our students. The themes of journey, conversion, inquiry, and reflection are important parts of the educational experience. Fr. Pedro Arrupe, former Superior General of the Jesuits said the primary objective of Jesuit education is to form men and women for others. St. Francis students do not just receive an education, they are part of an educational experience with deep roots. [Read more here!](#)

### This Week at SFX:

**Tuesday - Friday, April 2nd - 5th** , Iowa Testing Grades 1st - 8th.

**Monday, April 8th** - CogAT Testing for 6th grade

Note: Students in first through eighth grades will be participating in the Iowa Test of Basic Skills during the week of April 1st. It is very important that students are on time this week and that they are not pulled for appointments. Please check your calendars this weekend and reschedule appointments as needed.

**Thursday, April 4th** - Parent Association Meeting was on calendar. It has been cancelled.

**Sunday, April 7th** - Family Mass at 9:00am - Please attend the 9am Mass in your uniform to show your school spirit - rumor has it there will be extra donuts.

**~Please mark your calendars: There will be no after care on Friday, April 12th.**

**Dinner for the Jesuits** - We are looking for some volunteers who would be able to make some home cooked meals for our Jesuits. Please sign up to help out if you can. We would like to be able to provide dinners on Saturdays and Sundays. [Click here to volunteer and see all the details.](#)



**Eighth Grade Retreat**

On March 28th the eighth grade class spent a wonderful prayerful day on retreat at the CASA to deepen their relationship with God as they transition from grade school to high school. Parents joined us for a special Mass that included powerful reflections on faith by Trevor Collins and a parent-child blessing. After Mass we enjoyed reception by the pool. Thank you so much to SFX Alums Tony Hendricks '15, and Abby Hendricks '16, Ben Mills '18, and Ellie Higgins '18 for being part of the retreat team.

#### SFX Fundraisers

Listed below are online companies that offer great deals to SFX families. Just follow the easy instructions and you can earn money for our school.



1. Go to <http://mabelslabels.com/us/index.php?support=4-fundraiser>  
2. Log in  
3. Search for St. Francis Xavier  
4. Select St. Francis Xavier Roman Catholic Parish Phoenix  
5. Click enter



1. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com>  
2. Log in  
3. Search for St. Francis Xavier  
4. Select St. Francis Xavier Roman Catholic Parish Phoenix  
5. Click enter

Now when you shop on Amazon you will earn money for St. Francis Xavier. This works with your regular or Amazon prime account.



1. Go to <https://www.tuftandneedle.com/giveback/>  
2. Select St. Francis Xavier School from the drop down menu.  
3. Start shopping for your mattress. These mattresses are delivered to your doorstep.  
4. Tuft & Needle will give 25% back to our school for each mattress ordered.



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1. Go to <http://sfpx.shutterflystorefront.com/>  
2. Shop at any of the Shutterfly Brands, including Tiny Prints, and 13% will be donated to SFX.

#### SFX Fundraising Partners

We have many great retail partners that have teamed up with SFX to give back to our school. Some of them

are:

- Shutterfly
- Amazon Smile
- Tuft & Needle
- Box Tops

[Click here to see all of our fundraising partners, along with links to their sites.](#)

Happy Shopping!



**Thank you to Daisy Troop 4524! The girls donated food to the SFX Angel Fund Food Pantry. The girls had a great time decorating their boxes and helping their school community.**

[Vacation Planning Calendar for 2019 - 2020 school year available here.](#)

### Brain Boost by Ms. Milano

#### New Research on Math Anxiety

Researchers at Stanford University have been studying math achievement and how anxiety plays a part in student success in math. One interesting finding from a recent study showed that the amount of math anxiety expressed by parents predicted their child's math achievement in school.

[Read More Here.](#)

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### Tech Tips for Parents by Ms. Ray

#### Tech Q&A - Group Text Strands

**Q:** My son and his friends have a group chat going. Recently, my son took a picture of one of the boys and sent it to the group. The other boys responded with teasing. Is this normal adolescent behavior or should I step in?  
[Read More Here.](#)

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### Good To Know

- Princess Pack Dance, April Saturday, April 6th, 4pm to 8 pm. [Click here for all the details.](#)
- [SFX Summer School Registration](#)
- [The Marion Shop is looking for volunteers. Please email to request an application.](#)
- Pilates for Proceeds - Club Pilates/Central Phoenix will give back to SFX. [Click here for the details.](#)
- [Camp Sky-Y - Spring Family Camp, 2019 - April 12th - 14th. Click here for the details.](#)
- [Students in grades 7th & 8th are invited to attend the Musician Enrichment Foundation/ASU School of Music Camp. Click here for the information.](#)
- Edge Catholic Community Camp for 5th - 8th graders June 3 - 6, 2019. [Click here for all of the details.](#)
- To contact all members of the Transition Team, feel free to use the following email: [transitionteam@sfxphx.org](mailto:transitionteam@sfxphx.org).
- [Mini Vinnies sign up for 2019.](#)
- [Boonli \(Order Lunches - School Code is SFX 260\)](#)
- [2018 - 2019 School Calendar](#)
- [2019 - 2020 Vacation Planning Calendar](#)
- [School Website](#)
- [School Fundraising Partners](#)
- [School Facebook Page](#)
- [School Instagram Page](#)



*Please mark your calendar for Friday, April 12th. Join us in the library right after Pledge and Prayer for a light breakfast as we say thank you to all of our amazing volunteers!*



**The Lenten Calendars are available for the Parish.**

Lent/Easter Events - English

Lent/Easter Events - Spanish

