



# Connections

**Andrea Burford**  
7<sup>th</sup> Homeroom



## SEVENTH GRADE

### Religion and Faith Formation:

- Focus on New Testament books & times
- Developing discipleship and virtues
- Lenten book project
- Saints
- Deepening understanding of Mass, Sacraments, and Catholic teachings

### Geography, Social Studies, & History:

- Early European exploration
- Revolutionary War & War of 1812
- Writing of the Constitution
- Branches of government
- Trail of Tears
- Manifest Destiny
- Industrial revolution



**ICS Jr. High Faculty**  
**Andrea Burford** 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> ELA  
**Tracy Kietzer** Music / Band  
**Michaela Martin** 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Science  
**Lynn Dennis** 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Religion  
**Kim Sellers** Spanish  
**Cody Bova** 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Social Studies  
**Robert Rosenquist** K-8<sup>th</sup> PE  
**Jennifer Grieshop** K-8<sup>th</sup> Art  
 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Math

### We Focus On

#### Language Arts:

- Reading skills: character, setting, plot, theme, vocabulary, comprehension
- Use of figurative language
- Compare and contrast writing
- Creative writing
- Blackout Poetry
- Novel: Fahrenheit 451

#### Mathematics:

- Creating scaled drawings
- Graphing and solving problems involving proportional relationships
- Solving problems with percentages
- Solving equations
- Probability

#### Science:

- Cell structure and function
- Genetics
- Environmental changes over time
- Plant and animal diversity
- Populations and communities: designing ideal habitats
- Biomes and ecosystems



**Immaculate Conception School Board Meeting Minutes**  
**May 6, 2025**

**Members Present:**

Ashley Litzelfelner, President  
Robert Holzum, Vice President  
Casey Brunke, Secretary

Barbie Gibbs, Board Member  
Kelli Guyot, Board Member  
Alex Graves, Board Member  
Amanda Holzum, H&S President  
Michele Campbell, Principal  
Fr. Randy Tochtrop, Pastor  
Karen Engelen, 26-27 Principal

**Principal's Report (Ms. Campbell):**

- 2025-2026 school year current enrollment: 36 students in Pre-K, 141 students in K-8.
- 2026-2027 projected enrollment: 42 students in Pre-K, 153 students in K-8.
- Ms. Campbell thanked outgoing School Board members Ashley Litzelfelner and Casey Brunke.
- Discussed forming a maintenance committee for school.
- Discussed water softener maintenance.
- All faculty and staff positions are filled for next year.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Athletic Committee (Ms. Graves)** – St. Sebastian will have baseball next year for junior high grades. Resurfacing the gym floor will be deferred to summer 2027 because of building the new church and needing the gym space. Received a quote for a scorer's table. Discussed Home & School and Athletic Committee speaking with the digital scoreboard company.
- **Christian Service (Ms. Campbell)** – All 8<sup>th</sup> graders have submitted their service hours.
- **Marketing Committee (Ms. Guyot)** – Continuing to promote the school with bulletin flyers highlighting classes and programs. Worked with DSW to get spots on a digital billboard. The SEMO football team school visit had the most views/interactions on social media.
- **Parish Council – (Ms. Gibbs)** – Planning parish picnic in August.
- **Home and School (Ms. Holzum)** – Golf Tournament had 35 teams and raised over \$16,000. Don Carlos restaurant night made \$350. Will give extra IC hats to Guardian Angels and maintenance staff. Home & School has received several positive comments regarding improved communication.

**Old Business:**

- MO Scholars Program - haven't heard anything additional at this time.

**New Business:**

- Introduction and welcome of new School Board Members, Kaitlin Roslen and Sarah Sutterer Lentz, and Home & School President, Brooke Deason.
- School Board self-assessments are due.

**Pastor's Report (Fr. Tochtrop):**

- Thank you to Mrs. Campbell for 16 years of service at IC. Welcome to Mrs. Engelen, the new principal. Thanked outgoing school board members and welcomed new ones.
- Will start the new church roof soon as well as the brick. Old church windows may be able to be used for decorative purposes in the new church.

**Next Meeting Date:**

- The next IC School Board meeting will be August 5, 2026 at 6:00pm.