



From The Principal's Desk

February 16th, 2026

(Apply for FACE 2026/2027 → [Link](#)) (Lunch Menu for February → [Link](#))

(CYO Basketball Schedule → [Link](#)) (Futsal Schedule → [Link](#))

Important Dates Coming Up

- February/Winter Vacation – School Closed (2/16 – 2/20)
- Ash Wednesday – Wednesday, 2/18 (See Bulletin for Mass Times)
- Confessions for Lent (Grades 6-8) – Tuesday 2/24 @ 12:30pm
- School Mass – Friday, 2/27 @ 1:00pm (Hosted by Grade 5)
- Stations of the Cross – Friday, 3/6 at 1:00pm
- Academic PD Day – No School for Students – Monday, 3/9
- **End of Trimester II – Friday, March 13th (moved due to snow days)**
- Celebrate Your Parish – Sunday 3/15 @ 9:30am Mass
- School Malassada Sale – Sunday 3/15, beginning at 6:00am

New Information This Week

Gradelink Robo-Calls: Upcoming industry-wide changes taking effect on February 17 may affect how automated or informational phone calls are identified and displayed by telecom carriers and mobile devices. Gradelink is actively working with its communications partners to address these changes ahead of the deadline. In the meantime, we recommend that you ask your families and staff to save your school's SmartSend Pro voice number as a contact on their personal phones. Doing so can help reduce the chances that important school calls are mislabeled or filtered by call-screening features on some devices. **Please save the following number in your phone: 888-349-5913.**

FACE Application: Here is an updated link to apply for FACE: <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid> (Please contact us if you need assistance!)

Re-Registration Forms: If you haven't returned your re-registration forms, please complete them and return them to the school office. Once again, we have additional interest in our school for next year, and we want to make sure we can accommodate these new requests. **(Remember, the FACE application for next years for Grades K-8 is open! See the link at the top of the page.)**

February Vacation: At the close of school on Friday, we will enter February Vacation. The school will be closed starting on Monday 2/16 through Friday 2/20.



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Information from Prior Memos

Announcement from Diocesan Wellness Committee: Please click on this link to access important information and documents regarding the Diocese of Fall River Wellness Initiative, which includes both information on the Student and Parent Wellness Surveys that every school will be implementing in December. This link contains English, Spanish and Portuguese versions. Thank you so much for your involvement!

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RhkmeG3vJA16dgKp3BnXCewt1wCXBIAJWMBn6uvqOSY/edit?usp=sharing>



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Apply for a FACE Scholarship Today

Applications including all required documentation must be completed by
March 31, 2026

There is a \$45 per family non-refundable application fee.

For technical issues and questions about the online application process, please contact: FACTS Customer Service at 866-441-4637

Required Documents

- 2024 IRS Federal Income Tax Return, including all supporting schedules.
- All 2025 W-2 Wage and Tax Statements for both the applicant and co-applicant.
- If you do not have W-2 income please submit your 2025 Federal Tax Return.

Email FACEapps@catholicfoundationsema.org if your application requires a 2025 federal tax return and you plan to file an extension.

Note: FACTS will send incomplete application notices if information is missing or if your documents are blurry. You will receive an "application is Complete" email once all required information is uploaded. Please also check your email and spam folders for these reminders.

A new application must be completed for returning students each year.

Log into your FACTS account at: online.factsmtg.com/aid

New applicants must go to the FACTS applications web page to create an account:
online.factsmtg.com/aid

*La solicitud en línea de FACTS está disponible en español haciendo clic en el enlace Español en la parte superior del sitio web de FACTS.

All FACE scholarships are awarded based on financial need. FACE scholarship awards will occur in spring 2026 and your school will be notified of any awards at that time.

Please visit www.face-dfr.org/how-to-apply for FAQs and helpful resources.



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APPLICATIONS OPEN JANUARY 2ND!

Scholarships Available from
\$1,000-\$25,000 per year!!!

Apply for the 2026-2027 School Year!

Are you supporting a child whose parent struggles with incarceration or substance use disorder? We're here to help your child succeed!

📅 Important Dates:

- Application Opens: January 2, 2026
- Applications Close: March 6, 2026

✅ Who Can Apply?

- Students entering grades K-12
- Impacted by parental incarceration or substance abuse
- Demonstrated financial need
- Live in Greater SouthCoast region

Apply and take the first step toward a brighter future!

For more information visit
www.newbedfordstarkids.org or contact us for support!

774-400-7954
athomas@newbedfordstarkids.org

SCAN here to visit
our website and
learn more



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**Apply:
January 2 - March 6
Don't miss out!**



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FEDERAL LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL REGISTRATION



**COME LEARN THE GAME
AND PLAY BALL!**

**Sign-Ups Now Open For
The 2026 Fall Season!**

- **T-ball** (ages 4-6) - **FREE!**
- **Coach pitch** (ages 6-8) - \$50
- **Majors** (ages 9-12) - \$80
- **Seniors** (ages 13-16) - \$105

Register Your Player at:

[https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/
Default.aspx?tabid=2171877](https://leagues.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=2171877)

**If you need help or have
questions, please text or call
player agent Sam at:**

(508) 617-0371

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