



MOUNT MICHAEL BENEDICTINE SCHOOL

Featuring The David "DJ" Sokol Learning For Life Building

WEEKLY BULLETIN 09/30-10/5

1. A NOTE FROM DR. PETERS: This past Tuesday, Mount Michael hosted a cross country invitational. There were 11 different high schools represented and 22 different middle schools! We had over 950



student participants. It amounted to a few thousand people on our campus. Despite the construction on Mount Michael Road, we were able to get everyone on campus for a great event. I want to thank all of those who volunteered and helped.

Congratulations to our cross country team for winning the high school meet!

Pictured from left to right: Coaches Eric Crawford'00 and Walt Mertz, Will Snyder'25, Max Teetor'27, Michael Rodgers'25, David Barkmeier'25, Jack

Carda'25, Mesach Nkurubujango'27, and coaches John Gathje and Melissa Gathje. (Team photo courtesy of Shelly Rodgers)





(Drone pictures courtesy of Syler Sennett '25)

2. NEBRASKA EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS (LB1402): Starting today families can apply for the new Nebraska Education Scholarships (LB1402). These are based upon need. These scholarships also replace the Opportunity Scholarships that were in place this last year. There are two attachments to this bulletin outlining the program and eligibility guidelines. We have been asked to share this information with you:

- [Parent Application Link](#)
- [Parent Training Video](#)
- LB1402 Cheat Sheet - attached; this breaks down the eligibility and priority criteria from LB1402
- [Support website for parents](#)

If you have any questions, please go to nebraskaopportunity.org/lb1402

3. NORMAL DRESS CODE BEGINS: Starting Tuesday, October 1, all students need to be in normal dress attire. Normal dress code will consist of dress pants (**no joggers**) with appropriate belt, collared dress shirt, and tie. No slippers, crocs or backless shoes of any kind can be worn. Shirts must also be tucked in. If a student is cold, he may wear a quarter-zip, sweater, or sport coat. **NO** hooded sweatshirts are allowed and **ONLY** Mount Michael crewneck sweatshirts if they are purchased from the Mount Michael bookstore. **No other branding is allowed.**

4. ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: Congratulations to the following athletes who were voted on by their coaches in their respective sport this past week: Cross Country – David Barkmeier '25; Football – Xavier Zimmerman '26; and Tennis – Noah Stricklett '26.

5. TAC MEETING: A TAC (Teacher Advisory Committee) meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 2nd at 7:30 am in Rm 128.

6. PAC MEETING: The first PAC meeting of the 2024-25 school year is Wednesday, October 2nd at 7:30 pm in the library. If you have any agenda items, please contact your class representative below. PAC members are:

Senior: Marty and Amy Killeen (ackilleen@gmail.com)

Junior: Curran and Joy Quinlivan (quinsix@outlook.com)

Sophomore: Charlie and Beth Boone (cdboone24@gmail.com)

Freshman: Ed and Mary Fink (av8trixlkn4rwy@hotmail.com)

School Representatives: Dr. David Peters, Mr. Derrik Spooner, and Br. Luke Clinton, OSB

7. CLASS RINGS: Last week, class ring packets were distributed to sophomores. You can purchase the traditional Mount Michael class ring or customize your own at Jostens.com or you can go directly to School Traditions at 12100 West Center Rd, Suite 202 (Bel Air Plaza). Call 402-733-0300 with questions. Store hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10-5:30 pm.

8. BOOKSTORE HOURS -The bookstore will be open this Wednesday from 6:00-7:30 pm and also on Friday from 5:30-7:00 pm during the Booster Club tailgate.

9. GRANDPARENTS MASS: All grandparents are invited to join their grandson(s) and the Mount Michael community for Mass celebrating grandparents on Friday, October 11, 2024. Mass will begin at 8:15 am in Mount Michael's gym. Refreshments and tours will follow. **All students must be in a sport coat and tie.** Parents, please forward the attached invitation to your son's grandparents for details. Thank you!

10. COUNSELING NEWS:

- **Upcoming College Visits:**
 - Wed Oct. 2nd – UNO Scott Scholars High School Visit from 9-10:00 am
 - Fri Oct. 4th – St. John's University from 12-1:00 pm
 - Mon Oct. 14th – Peru State College from 11-12:00 pm
 - Wed Oct. 16th – Mount Marty University from 11-12:00 pm
 - Wed Oct. 16th – Creighton University from 12-1:00 pm
 - Wed Oct. 23rd – University of Kansas from 11- 12:00 pm
 - Mon Oct. 28th – Hillsdale College from 11-12:00 pm
 - Fri Nov. 1st – Benedictine College from 11-12:00 pm
- **2024 KU School of Engineering High School Design Competition** on Wed. October 23rd. **Registration deadline is October 7th.** Here is a link with more information: [High School Design Competition | School of Engineering \(ku.edu\)](#) Here is the link to register: [2024 KU School of Engineering High School Design Competition](#)
- **UNK Pre-Law Day** on Monday, October 28th from 9:00 – 1:00 pm at the Nebraskan Student Union Welcome Help Desk in the Atrium. This is a great opportunity to learn more about courses, experiential learning opportunities, and scholarships available within the UNK Pre-Law Program! If you are interested in attending, please register by scanning the QR code on the postcard (attachment), or by using this link: go.unk.edu/prelawday24

11. BOOSTER CLUB NEWS:

- **BOOSTER CLUB TAILGATE:** Mark your calendars for the Booster Club Tailgate on Friday, October 4th from 5:00-7:00 pm. Bring a lawn chair, your favorite yard game and join in the festivities! We're putting together a great community meal of hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, drink and dessert for \$8.00 per person. Booster Club members will receive a discounted price. Afterwards, then join us as we watch the Knights take on Wahoo at 7:00 pm. All funds go to support extra-curricular activities and clubs at Mount Michael! See attached flyer.
- **TRIVIA NIGHT:** The Mount Michael Booster Club presents its very first **TRIVIA NIGHT** on Friday, November 15th at 7:00 pm in the gym. Team registration is \$240.00 per table (8 players max per team – 21 and older). Registration opens on October 4th. See attached flyer.
- **2024 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE:** Come join the Booster Club. The membership drive is going on right now. See attached flyer for more information.
- **FALL SPORTS VOLUNTEERS:** Show your support by helping run the many events that Mount Michael hosts plus you get a chance to meet some great people and students will receive service hours. We are looking for volunteers to help with concessions, parking, gate admission, etc. If you can help, please sign up by clicking on the following link. Thank you for all your support.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4BAFAE2BA2FE3-49419320-knight>

12. PICTURE RETAKE DAY: If your son missed our original picture day or you would like him to get his picture retaken, he needs to report to the Armory on October 10th. Please see the attachment for the QR code and order code. If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Crnkovich at ccrnkovich@mountmichael.org

13. MOUNT MICHAEL'S BLOOD DRIVE: We are looking for 40 possible donors for our fall Blood Drive on Thursday, November 7 from 8-1:00 pm in the gym. Let's take care of our community and others by

scheduling your next blood donation. Anyone 17 years or older is encouraged to donate. 16-year-olds can donate with parental consent. See Mrs. Raabe for a consent form. Make an appointment by scheduling online: Visit www.redcrossblood.org– search sponsor code “MMKnights” and log into your donor profile **OR** reserve a spot with Mrs. Raabe in the school office at graabe@mountmichael.org. Students, faculty, staff, and family members are welcome! Please sign up today!

14. 24-25 YEARBOOK INFORMATION:

- If you are interested in purchasing a yearbook for the 2024-2025 school year, please visit the following link: <https://yearbookforever.com/school-store/O09CR02hXF6j6LVyFn5u3oHU> Contact mrobertson@mountmichael.org with questions. Thank you for supporting the journalism program!
- **YEARBOOK SALES- SENIOR FAMILIES:** You have the option to purchase and design a senior ad. You may use baby pictures, senior portraits, family photos, etc. Additionally, you may type out a message from your family, a Bible verse, or a quote to accompany the images. If you wish to purchase one, scroll to the bottom of the page where yearbook prices are listed. The deadline to purchase an ad is Friday, March 28th. Contact mrobertson@mountmichael.org with questions.

15. SEAMSTRESSES NEEDED: Many thanks to all the folks who helped with sewing curtains for the theater facade in the crypt! NOW, I have come asking for assistance again. The Fall Play this year, a One-Act, which is going to district contest, will need some one-of-a-kind, custom-made costumes. As I can barely thread a needle, I will need help from someone with the construction of these garments. If you have the gift, I would greatly appreciate you sharing it in this dire situation. More than one expert couturier would be great! Contact Br. Roger by phone or email using the information below.

Br. Roger Mangels, O.S.B.
From off campus ~ 402-206-2070
On campus ~ 402-289-2541, x1101
Email ~ rmangels@mountmichael.org

16. OBLATES OF ST. BENEDICT: Oblates shape their lives by living the wisdom of Christ as interpreted by St. Benedict. If you are interested in learning more and becoming a Benedictine oblate, please contact Br. Jerome at 402-206-2069.

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(See rSchool for latest updates to our calendar.)

<https://www.rivercitiesconference.org/public/genie/433/school/784/>

Mon., September 30

Prayer and Announcements in the chapel – 7:45 am
V Cross Country at University of Nebraska-Kearney – 12:00 pm

Tues., October 1

V Tennis vs Lincoln Pius at Woods Tennis Center – 9:00 am
St. Pats Cross Country by the Bell Tower – 5:00-6:00 pm

Wed., October 2

TAC Meeting in Rm S128 – 7:30 am

Wednesday Night Visits – 6:15 pm

PAC Meeting in the library – 7:30 pm

Thurs., October 3

St. Pats Cross Country by the Bell Tower – 5:00-6:00 pm

RES Football at Wahoo High School – 6:00 pm

Fri., October 4

JV Tennis at Elkhorn High School – 9:00 am

V Tennis at York High School – 10:00 am

V/JV Cross Country at Syracuse Country Club – 11:30/12:00 pm

V Football vs Wahoo at Mount Michael – 7:00 pm

Sat., October 5

Youth Cross Country Meet at Mount Michael – 9:00 am