



Responding to Inclusive Special Education Needs Learning Resource Center

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The R.I.S.E.N. program at Sacred Heart School in Groton, Connecticut, is an inclusive educational ministry seeking to provide Catholic education to children with special learning needs.

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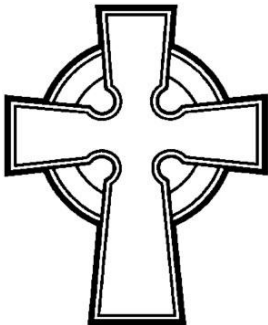
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The Character Breakfast

The annual Family Character Breakfast was held on January 30, 2011. The event served as a fundraiser for our program and provided an opportunity to showcase Sacred Heart at the beginning of Catholic Schools Week. We served breakfast to more than two hundred people. Children and adults alike had a delightful time meeting the characters and participating in various games and activities.

We are grateful to our eighth graders who enthusiastically dressed as their favorite characters from books and films. They happily greeted and signed autographs for the younger children. Several current seventh graders also helped serve breakfast. Additionally, some of the school's alumni assisted with the games and activities. It is always nice to see our students return and continue to support the school.

Special thanks are due to all the individuals who helped this event run smoothly. The R.I.S.E.N. Board and Staff are very thankful for their efforts. This event raised not only money but also awareness for our program, and helped to foster community both within the parish and the school.



This Spring in R.I.S.E.N.

The R.I.S.E.N. program continues to support both students and teachers throughout our school. Under the direction of Stacy Mares, our special education teacher, about forty-five students are currently receiving services through the program. Some of these children need remediation while others come for enrichment. Ms. Mares and her staff happily assist students in the R.I.S.E.N. classroom but, in an increasing effort to be inclusive; more services are being brought into the regular classrooms as well. Students visit the R.I.S.E.N. Learning Resource Center for more intensive intervention and to use the CompassLearning Odyssey educational software.

The R.I.S.E.N. staff is also working to complete the revised handbook for the program, which includes the Strategy Team Education Planning (S.T.E.P.) system. This process will be correlated with the three-tier intervention system used by the local public schools and will streamline the process by which students are identified for services.

These ladies, who work tirelessly for our school and our program, need our constant support. To the left are some items the R.I.S.E.N. program could use – please donate generously.

R.I.S.E.N.'s wish list

- Ink for Printers (HP 750 Color 78 and HP 15 Black, Brother DCP -165c)
- Manila folders
- Timers
- “Wilson Reader” Training
- Prize box toys
- Bulletin Board Materials
- Number line for the wall
- Tissues
- “Read Naturally” Reading Program
- Tape Recorder (for oral reading)
- Youth sized head phones
- Child-size mouse for computer
- EasiTeach accessories (for

R.I.S.E.N. Learning Resource Center Staff

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A Note from the Board President

This has been an exciting year for me as I have learned more about the R.I.S.E.N. program and all it does to help the students in our school. This program, which provides children with special needs the opportunity for a Catholic education, is unique within the Diocese of Norwich. It is paramount that R.I.S.E.N. carries on with its work. To that end, a team continues to pursue necessary sources of funding, writing and receiving educational grants on behalf of the program. Steve Sheridan, the school's development officer, has spearheaded the planning of major fundraisers, including the Character Breakfast and the upcoming golf tournament. These fundraisers, along with your support, ensure the future of our program and ongoing services for our students. These are not small tasks, but working together we are getting the job done.



It is time once again to mark your calendars for the R.I.S.E.N. golf tournament. The tournament will be held on Friday, June 10, 2011, at the Shennecossett Golf Course in Groton, CT. Please find the registration information in this newsletter.

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GOLF TOURNAMENT**

SCRAMBLE FORMAT

"TO BENEFIT CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL LEARNING NEEDS"

Friday, June 10, 2011

11:30 a.m. Sign-In/Lunch
12:30 p.m. Shot-Gun Start
5:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner

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*Donations for door prizes are
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acknowledged in our fall newsletter.*

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

"Dinner Sponsor" \$1,500 (LEVEL 7)

- ***Priority** listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament
- *Sign recognition on a golf cart during tournament
- *Recognition on tournament t-shirt
- *One Foursome fee waived for tournament
- *Recognition banner to be hung on clubhouse for tournament
- *Periodic verbal recognition during sponsored meal
- *Recognition on "table tents" during tournament meals
- *Recognition on placemats during tournament dinner

"Lunch Sponsor" \$1,250 (LEVEL 6)

- ***Priority** listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament
- *Sign recognition on a golf cart during tournament
- *Recognition on tournament t-shirt
- *One Foursome fee waived for tournament
- *Recognition banner to be hung on clubhouse for tournament
- *Periodic verbal recognition during sponsored meal
- *Recognition on "table tents" during tournament meals

"Tournament Sponsor" \$1,000 (LEVEL 5)

- ***Priority** listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament
- *Sign recognition on a golf cart during tournament
- *Recognition on tournament t-shirt
- *One Foursome fee waived for tournament
- *Recognition banner to be hung on clubhouse for tournament

"Partner" \$500 (LEVEL 4)

- *Listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament
- *Sign recognition on a golf cart during tournament
- *Recognition on tournament t-shirt

"Friend" \$300 (LEVEL 3)

- *Listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament
- *Sign recognition on a golf cart during tournament

"Tee Sponsor" \$150 (LEVEL 2)

- *Listing in tournament program
- *Sign recognition on the course during tournament

"Youth Patron" \$100 (LEVEL 1)

- *Listing in tournament program

"Private Donor"

(donation of cash or goods and services for door prizes)

- *Listing in tournament program