



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2010-11 school year! It has been a busy summer painting classrooms and purchasing new books and supplies. We are ready to open the doors to a new year.

Everything you need to get ready for the fall is available online at www.saint-johns.net/school click "Principal's Page."

You will find forms on the website that need to be returned on Back to School Open House on August 13. It would really help if you would complete the forms at home and have them ready to return on August 13. Please take time to review all the materials and print the necessary forms.

If you do not have internet access, please contact the school office to make arrangements to receive the information.

Thank you for choosing St. John Catholic School. Enjoy the rest of your summer,

Mrs. Pat Newton, Principal

St. John School Fun Run
 Sponsored by PTO and School Council
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20
6:00-8:00 pm



New this year! The PTO and School Council will host the St. John Fun Run on Friday, August 20 from 6:00-8:00PM. This is an event for the whole family. A one mile course will be provided in South Park for school families to run, jog, or walk...as many times as you want! A timed run will be held at 7:20PM. \$3.00 pasta dinner will be available in the church basement. Volunteers are needed. Please sign up on the attached volunteer form.

- Preschool Information Night:** Families with preschoolers are invited to attend Preschool Information Night on Wednesday, August 11 at 7pm. Parents/Guardians only. We will meet in the church basement. You will meet Mrs. Johnson, Preschool Teacher, and learn about procedures, expectations, and goals. Preschool begins August 16. Tuesday/Thursday classes begin August 17.

Hours are:

Mon., Wed., Fri morning session	8:30am-11:15am
Tues., Thurs. morning session	8:30am-11:15am
Mon. through Fri. afternoon session	12:30pm-3:15pm

- First Grade Information Night:** Families with first graders are invited to attend First Grade Information on Thursday, August 12 at 7pm. Parents/Guardians only. At this time, you will meet Mrs. Gini Shoulberg and Ms. Lisa Harkin, First Grade Teachers, who will review processes and procedures of the school as well as answer your many questions and concerns. The meeting will be in Ms. Harkin's room 102.
- Back to School Open House:** All families need to complete the enrollment process by attending Back to School Open House, August 13, any time from 9am-11am in the gym. The Open House provides you and your child/ren an opportunity to sign up for the school lunch program, before/after school care, return important forms, pick up school supply orders, and purchase new dress code items. This is a great opportunity for your child/ren to see their classrooms and meet their new teachers, including the preschool. Don't forget, Monday, August 16, is the first full day of school. School hours for K-6th grades are 8:15am-3:30pm.



- Student Information Card (Emergency Card):** Preschoolers-6th graders must have on file a Student Information Card. This card is essential especially when your child becomes injured or too sick to return to class. In the event of injury, illness, or other emergency situations, you will receive a phone call. The school needs to know how to reach you during the daytime. New families must turn in this card to the school office before the first day of school. Returning families need to update their contact information at the Back to School Open House.
- Contact Information:** Please complete the attached form and return on Aug. 13. The form requests preferred email for billing, email to be listed in the school directory, and emails and phone numbers for the school emergency contact system.
- Parent/Student Handbook:** Parents should return page 1 of the handbook on Back to School Open House. The Handbook is accessible on the school website year-round. Complete and return the Agreement Form
- Permission for Medication Form:** If you know your student/s needs prescription, non-prescription, or over the counter drugs (e.g. cough drops) administered during school time, a “Permission for Medication Form” must be completed and accompany the medication. Medication cannot be administered during school without authorization. Forms are available as needed on the school website and in the school office.
- Asthma Consent form:** Preschoolers-6th graders may self-administer medication for the treatment of asthma and anaphylaxis while at school. A completed “Asthma Consent Form” must be on file in the school office. Forms are available on the school website and in the school office.
- Extended Care:** Wendy Ricke, Extended Care Director, can provide care for your Kindergartener-6th graders before school from as early as 7am until school begins at 8:15am. Care is also available after school from dismissal until 5:30pm. \$4 per morning per child and \$7 per afternoon per child. A full day program for Kindergarteners enrolled in the afternoon session provides care in the mornings. Students are then taken to afternoon Kindergarten session beginning at 12:25pm. \$300 a month for 5 days of care each week, \$195 a month for 3 days of care each week, or \$170 a month for 2 days of care each week. Visit with Mrs. Ricke at the open house to sign up or learn more about Extended Care and how we can help meet your needs. Extended care is not available to preschoolers.
- Hot/Cold Lunch Program:** The school lunch program is designed to provide Kindergarteners-6th graders with lunches that meet nutritional needs at a reasonable price. We are fortunate to have Mrs. Dorothy Malsbury who knows all about nutritional and healthy choices. The total cost for August student lunches is \$24.20. August lunch bills will be emailed by September 5. Checks should be payable to “St. John School.” Student lunch - \$2.20
- Milk - \$.50 Adult lunch - \$4.00
- Free or Reduced Lunch Program:** Your family might qualify for a free or reduced lunch rate. This program is funded by the government, which provides financial relief for those in need. Don’t hesitate to see if your family qualifies. A copy of the application is available online beginning July 20 for all interested families. Complete the application and return to Mrs. Alexander at Back to School Open House. Names of participants are confidential.
- Student Lunch Volunteer Form:** Encourage your 4th,5th, or 6th grader to help Mrs. Malsbury prepare and serve lunch. Complete and return the sign up form on the website and return to Mrs. Alexander at the open house on Aug. 13.
- School Supplies:** The school supply list is on the school website. Click “Supply List.” Families who purchased supplies through the school may pick up their supplies on August 13 at the Back to School Open House.
- Internet Access Agreement:** Kindergarteners-6th graders must return this agreement form to Mrs. Alexander on Aug. 13. This agreement grants students the right to access the internet for research, ensures parents that St. John School has done what is necessary to protect the safety of your children, and ensures that students will not abuse their internet privileges. This form is required by Archdiocesan technology policy.
- Help with Carpools:** Contact Mrs. Linda Alexander if you need help putting together a school carpool.
- Volunteer Opportunities Form:** Get involved! Sign up to help in a variety of areas at the school. Get connected with many Benefit Auction and PTO activities. Complete the attached form and return form to Mrs. Alexander on Back to School Open House.