



St. John the Evangelist Regional Catholic School

SCHOOL RESUMES

Opening day for the 2023-2024 school year for students in Grades K-8 will be on Monday, August 28, 2023. Students are to be dressed in their school uniform. Hot lunches will be served on the first day of school and on all first Thursdays of the month. **Preschool classes will begin on Tuesday, September 5, 2023.**

SCHOOL HOURS

*Opening exercises begin at 8:15 a.m. Students should be in their home room by 8:10 a.m

*Students who are transported by car should not arrive before 8:00 a.m.

***Students arriving prior to 8:00 a.m. must go directly to the gym. All doors will be locked except for the ramp door. A teacher will be assigned for supervision until 7:55 a.m.**

*School dismissal is at 2:25 p.m. for those students being transported home by car.

***It is absolutely essential for the students to report to school by 8:15. Excessive tardiness disrupts the school day for everyone. Your child, teacher, the other children, cafeteria manager and office staff are all effected by tardiness.**

***Please do your part by getting your child's day off to a good start. It is also very important that your child comes to school prepared for the day. This involves coming to school with their lunches, projects, cafeteria and bake sale money. Once again it disrupts everyone's day by having to interrupt the classes with forgotten lunches, books, etc...**

EARLY DEPARTURES

Students leaving school early must bring a note that day stating the need to be dismissed early. Parent/Guardian must come to the school office to sign the student out.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The School office hours beginning August 28th are 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

SCHOOL BREAKFAST/LUNCH PROGRAM

Cafeteria services will begin on Monday, August, 28, 2023. Hot lunches will be served daily and also on the first Thursday of each month. The cost of the lunch is will be determined by the Uniontown District. Salads will also be available. Breakfast is served from 7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m. daily ~ cost will be determined by the district.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM

Our After School Care Program will begin on Monday, August 28th with hours from 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. It will be held in the downstairs Kindergarten Room for Grades Pre-K, K, 1, and 2 and Grades 3 thru 8 will be held upstairs in the Preschool Room. Students may bring their own nutritious snacks or they may purchase them at after school. Snacks are 50¢ per snack. **Students are expected to prepay or pay snacks daily. IOU's will only be given to students who were not expected to stay and schedule changed.** The program consists of snack time/ homework from 2:30 - 4:00 and organized activity and play from 4:00 - 5:30.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY CELEBRATION

In honor of our Blessed Mother St. Anne and St. Joachim, we will be celebrating our 17th Annual Grandparents' Day Celebration on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. More information about this "special day" will be sent home the first week of school.

MONTHLY CALENDAR

A monthly calendar of events and a newsletter will be sent home with your child on the last Wednesday of each month.

FACULTY MEETINGS

Faculty meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month. Dismissal time will be at 12:30 p.m. Bus transportation is **by all the districts.**

HOME AND SCHOOL MEETING

Home and School Meeting will be held on September 14th at 7:00 p.m. in the school gym.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We are most grateful to Mrs. Robin Emerson and Mr. Sam Lucas for helping with the choir this year. Practices are held on designated Mondays from 2:30 - 3:30. These dates will be listed on the school calendar. Choir will be held in the conference room.

HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT NOTEBOOKS

New grade appropriate assignment books have been purchased for the children. The cost is \$8.00 per book. There are primary books for Grades 1 and 2 - Elementary books for Grades 3,4,5, and Middle School books for Grades 6,7,8. The notebooks will be a good organizing tool for the students in regards to their daily homework and assignments and follow through in the evening at home.

FUND RAISING

The school sponsors three major fund raisers during the school year. They are the Sarris Candy Sale, Spaghetti Dinner, and the Catholic School Marathon. Your participation and cooperation are mandated for the success of these three major fund raisers.

Sarris Candy Fundraiser

Kick-off date for this project will be on Monday, August 28th. Please see the enclosed sheet for more details. Every **family** is required to buy/sell 3 boxes of candy or opt out for \$120.00. You may receive your candy on Wednesday, August 16th at Meet and Greet Night.

Spaghetti Dinner

The Home & School Association sponsors a Spaghetti Dinner which will be held on February 21st. All your help and support is needed to make this event successful. More information will be sent home closer to the event.

Catholic School Marathon

This event is held in the spring. This year it will be held on Friday, April 19th at Hutchinson Park. This fund raiser is one of our most profitable for our school. Participation is required.

TRANSPORTATION

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's transportation, please contact your School District's Director of Transportation. This would pertain to busing issues only. A plan has

been worked out to protect the safety of our students and to alleviate traffic congestion which can be a problem. Therefore, we ask your cooperation in this matter. Attached is a map detailing the flow of traffic we would like you to follow when bringing your child/ren to school in the morning. **Prior to 8:00 all children are to be dropped off by the gym ramp entrance. No other entrance will be unlocked.**

After 8:00 a.m.:

Upstairs front door drop-off

*Please enter via the paved surface alley from Jefferson Street

*Exit by the alley descending the hill adjacent to the rectory

Downstairs side door drop-off

*Please enter via the alley leading in from Pennsylvania Ave.

*Exit by the alley descending the hill adjacent to the rectory.

Preschool and Kindergarten

*Parking space will be provided by the school while you drop-off or escort your child to class

*Please return to the flow of traffic *Exit by the alley descending the hill adjacent to the rectory.

AFTER SCHOOL DISMISSAL

If you will be taking your child/ren home by car, please be here promptly by 2:25 p.m.

(PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 2:20 P.M. Buses begin arriving at 2:00 p.m. and must be able to get thru.

Families A - L (Front Entrance)

*Drive into the parking lot between the church and school. The first car should drive to the far driveway past the rectory. Please form **two** lines of traffic and wait until the car in front of you leaves to pull out. These directions are for the safety of the children.

Families M - Z (Back Entrance)

*Drive into the parking lot through the alley nearest to the gym entrance. Please form **three** lines. One line is for the buses.

Any change in a child's regular method of transportation must be put in writing, signed by a parent or guardian and approved by the principal.