

The Carpenter Chronicle



Learning to Lead and Serve as Saints

August 16, 2017

Principal Ponderings

Welcome BACK! WE are so excited to be back at Saint Joseph Catholic for the 2017-2018 school year! WE are very proud of all the hard work over the past 3 years to enter the FINAL phase of making our school a PK to 8th grade. Thank you to the Saint Joseph families that shared your Saint Joseph Catholic School experience with your families, friends and neighbors! Our school continues to grow and is full in many grades! Praise the Lord. In our growth process we have added a few new staff members this year to complete our Carpenter Team!! Please WELCOME our new teachers: Ms. Lindsey Noye to Fifth Grade, Mr. Sam DeFilippo to middle school Religion, Ms. Samantha Verslype to middle school Math, Ms. Colleen Mitchell to Spanish, Ms. Kindra George to Resource. Please join the SJCS family for Summer Nights THIS Saturday, August 19th after the 5pm mass. Sandwiches and sides will be provided and a free will offering will be taken. Join us for outdoor games and activities.



Please remember:

ALL students receive FREE Breakfast in the Classroom daily. Breakfast is served from 7:25 to 7:40am. Students arriving at 7:40am will no longer receive this free service.

Registration & Health Forms

For those parents that have not completed and turned in your child's Emergency Contact Form you will be receiving one today. It is crucial that the school have all possible emergency contacts on file. Please return to Ms. Mandi Flores in the front office as soon as possible.

Absences and Appointments

If you have a sick or tardy child please make sure a phone call is made promptly to the school office by 8am. If your child has an appointment and will require early dismissal, please call the office **no later than 12pm**. Please plan to pick-up students for afternoon appointments prior, but no later than 2pm. Grades 6 through 8 have classroom instruction up until the last bell. Therefore, early dismissal is not encouraged. Students without prior notification will not be released after 2pm. These policies are also to help in the congestion of the parking lot and student safety.

Plant and Flower Show

The 2016-2017 Plant and Flower Show is scheduled for Friday, September 8th. This event is co-sponsored by the Saint Joseph Catholic School parent HASA group and the Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation. At the end of the school year, each child was given a small plant to care for over the summer. This is the student's opportunity to show how well they cared for their plant. If your child received a plant from their previous school, please feel free to include it in our plant show. If the student does not have a plant, they may bring their favorite house plant to enter in the show. Please have each student bring their plants and flowers the morning of the show and take them down to the cafeteria. All plants will need to be picked up or taken home at the end of the day.

Upcoming Events:

August 18th:
First All School Mass
8am

August 19th:
Summer Nights after
5pm Mass
Outdoor games
Free Dinner
*Sandwiches & Sides
Free will offering

September 4th:
NO SCHOOL
for students
Mission Day

September 7th:
NO SCHOOL
Memorial Day

September 8th:
SJCS Plant and
Flower Show

September 8th:
Progress Reports for
Quarter ONE Sent
home today

September 9th:
City Wide Plant and
Flower Show for blue
ribbon winners

September 13th:
SCJS Dance Team
practice 3 to 4pm

October 16th:
1-Hour School Delay
Evening Parent
Teacher Conferences

October 17th:
1-Hour School Delay
Evening Parent
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Saint Joseph Dance Team

- The Saint Joseph Catholic School Dance Team is now here! This opportunity is available to any female student at SJCS in grades 3 to 8. Practices will begin September 13th and will be continue three times a month on Wednesdays after school. Practice times have changed and will be from 3pm to 4pm. Schedules are available in the front office. Performance schedules will be available soon. There will be a \$30 for the dance costume is due before Labor Day. Please send in an envelope that says "Dance fees" to the front office. An additional \$30 for the warmup jacket can also be paid upfront or can be paid for by fundraising that will begin soon. In order to participate at the first practice, your child **must** have turned in a dance form and paid the initial dues. Dancers should wear comfortable clothing to practice that is easy to move in, (Leggings, shorts, t-shirts) tennis shoes and have their hair pulled back and out of their face. If you have any further questions, please contact Baylee Figel at bfigel@saintjosephfw.org.

Notes from the NURSE

As we return to school there are several viruses that begin to spread. No vaccines are available to prevent these viruses, so it is up to all of us to protect ourselves from catching and spreading! Use the following precautions at home and at school:

- Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Cover sneezes and coughs with your sleeve or a tissue.
- Keep your children home if they are sick.
- Don't share cups or eating utensils with people who are sick.
- Disinfect frequently-touched surfaces.
- Don't smoke or be around second hand smoke.

Uniforms

School uniforms for the 2017-2018 school year will remain the same as this school year. Mass uniforms; Oxford shirt with navy tie, embroidered navy cardigan for boys, and jumper with peter pan collar shirt and/ or skirt with oxford shirt and plaid tie for girls, will be worn **every** Wednesday and Fridays. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday the polo shirt and navy blue pants or shorts can be worn. White, turquoise, and dark grey embroidered polo shirts can be purchased online with JH Specialty. The cost of the polos are \$20.00 each. The website is Stjoe.yourpromopeople.com. Purchases from JH Specialty will be delivered every two weeks to the school office. Sweaters, ties, jumpers, skirts and many other additional items can be purchased with Schoolbelles online at www.schoolbelles.com. Our school code is S2594. The Schoolbelles store is located at the Glendale Town Center 2635 E. 62nd street, Ste. 2018, Indianapolis, IN 46220. For more information please call 317-255-5275 or the school office at 260-432-4000.

Roar Store School Uniforms

The Roar Store does still have a few items in stock including: boy's pants and shorts, girls' pants, oxford shirts and peter pan blouses. Sizes are limited. These items will be for sale until they are gone! If you are in need of any school uniforms, all items are now ordered online from the retailers.

Weather Related News

Please remember that the school notifies the Indiana News Center Channels 21 and 33 for any delays and or cancellations. Saint Joseph ALWAYS sends information to the News Stations by 6am. **REMEMBER:** we are listed as SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC FORT WAYNE. In order to receive the School Messenger texts from SJCS you will need to enroll and send a text message with YES from the cell phone you wish to enroll to 68453. The school cannot enroll you.

Lunch Menu:

The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Thursday, August 17th:

Taco in a Bag, Salsa, Lettuce/Cheese, Oranges & Milk

Friday, August 18th:

Popcorn Shrimp, Broccoli, Salad, Fruit Slushie, Cheese Breadstick & Milk

Monday, August 21st:

Chicken Leg, Roasted Potatoes, Sunshine Beans, Pears, Roll & Milk

Tuesday, August 22nd:

Chicken Enchilada, Corn, Chips and Salsa, Peaches & Milk

Wednesday, August 23rd:

Teriyaki Chicken, Broccoli/Rice, Egg Roll, Mandarin Oranges & Milk



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