

Good afternoon SJS Community,

A few new notes below about Spiritwear, Lunch Monitoring, and Chromebook monitoring. Also, we are still in search of a school nurse. Please spread the word and send me any potential candidates. At this point, we are also putting together a contingency plan if we do not have a nurse Day 1, so if you are a nurse and would be willing to sub, please reach out.

I also wanted to provide you with some dates for the fall (through Christmas).

Wednesday, August 28 – Day 1 for Kindergarten – Grade 8

Tuesday, September 3 – Day 1 for Preschool and Prekindergarten

Friday, September 6 – Opening of the Year School Mass

Tuesday – September 10 – Picture Day

Tuesday, September 17 – Back to School Night (Preschool – Grade 5)

Wednesday, September 18 – First Half Day

Tuesday, September 24 – Back to School Night (Grade 6 – Grade 8)

Tuesday, October 1 – SJS Parent Group Fall Meeting

Friday, October 4 – Medal Mass

Wednesday, October 9 – Walk to School Day

Wednesday, October 23 – Grandparents Day

Saturday, October 26 – Trunk or Treat

Friday, November 8 – Parent Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)

Friday, November 22 – Saturday, November 23 – Fall Drama Production

Friday, December 13 – Christmas Shoppe

Friday, December 20 – Christmas Concert

Spiritwear

Are you looking for SJS gear beyond Lands' End's uniforms? Check out the SJS Spiritwear Store through Arrow Sports! This site is full of optional SJS apparel. There are numerous t-shirts (short and long) that can be worn on gym days. There are additional outerwear pieces that can be worn in school (hoodies, sweatshirts, jackets). And who can forget parents – there is a section for SJS Spiritwear for parents. The order deadline is September 20. Visit <https://sjs202425.itemorder.com/shop/home/>.

Lunch Monitors

The Lunch Monitor schedule is live – [Click here](#) to sign up. If you can't commit to a regular shift, please consider joining our list of substitutes. If you have any questions, please reach out to Meredith McLoughlin s.at sjslunchcoordinator@sjscanton.org. Remember – you must have an active CORI and completed VIRTUS to volunteer.

Go Guardian

This year, St. John School will utilize GoGuardian, a Chromebook management solutions software, on all Chromebooks for students in Grade 3 and above. The program is intended to keep students safer online and make teaching more efficient. It does give teachers access to what is on students' screens during the school day and administrators easier access to Internet histories. The program also has a few tools that will help teachers more effectively use online resources. See attached for information.

St. Oscar Romero Mass and BBQ

St. Oscar Romero will have a Mass this Sunday at 11:00 am followed by a BBQ. All are welcome in the gym.

SJS Calendar

Monday, August 19 – 6:00 New Parent Orientation

Wednesday, August 28 – First Day of School for Kindergarten – Grade 8

Tuesday, September 3 - First Day of School for Preschool and Prekindergarten

Second Notices

New Parent Orientation

Our New Parent Orientation is Monday, August 19 at 6:00 in the Gym. This will be about an hour, and you will have an opportunity to ask any lingering questions and get one last tour of the building. If you are new to SJS, this is a nice opportunity to meet other new parents.

Mrs. Dembrowsky Meet and Greet

We will have a meet and greet with Mrs. Dembrowsky, our new preschool teacher, on Monday, August 19 from 5:00 – 6:00 pm in the preschool classroom. This is a drop-in time to meet the new teacher.

Student-Parent Handbook

[Click here](#) for the 2024-2025 SJS Parent-Student Handbook. Every family must turn in a signed copy of the handbook by Friday, September 6. You can send this in with your child or email to Mrs. Foster (dora.foster@sjscanton.org).

Lunch

Lunch orders for August/September are open and will close on Friday, August 23 at noon. We will again use Lunch Box as our vendor for lunches this year. Lunches will be \$7/day and will include an entrée, fresh fruit, and a snack.

CORI and VIRTUS

[Click here](#) for the 2024-2025 CORI form. The original filled out form must be returned to the Main Office along with a copy of your license. If you want to volunteer at SJS you must also have completed VIRTUS training (www.virtusonline.org). There will a session offered at St. Oscar Romero Parish on Tuesday, September 24 at 6:45 pm. New SJS parents have a grace period for VIRTUS until October 1.

Helpful Links

Ebackpack - [Click here](#)

2024-2025 Calendar - [Click here](#)

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