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Summer 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families enjoying the summer and time together. As we start to look toward a new school year, we're always seeking ways to make St. Joseph School the best learning environment for your children, both spiritually and academically. June provided some good opportunities for both Sr. Mary Angela and me to meet with other diocesan administrators as well as various groups of our teachers and parents to plan and brainstorm for the upcoming year. Of course, the fact that we're in summer means that many of our initiatives are still in process, so I don't want to share anything prematurely. You can look forward to updates as they are solidified.

One area that I'm happy to make an announcement for is that two parishioners, Mark Klein and Pat Neher, have volunteered to supervise students who need to be dropped off early. Mark is a retired principal and educator, and Pat has taught CCD in the past.

Please know that, as we approach the new academic year, I am here for you and can always be reached on my cell phone or via email as the situation warrants. Thank you for all you do to help make our school the Christ-centered place that it is.

May our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph continue to guard and guide you in these remaining weeks of summer.

Yours in Christ,

Kevin L. Naumann
Principal of St. Joseph School

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 5-6: Class Lists Posted
- 7: New Parent Orientation, 6:30 pm
- 10: School Picture Day, 2:00-6:30 pm
SFA Ice Cream Social, 6:00 pm
- 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation
- 16: First Day of School for K-8,
Noon Dismissal
Preschool/PreK Back-to-School
Open House, 11:00 am
- 17: First Full Day of School for K-8
First Day of T/Th Preschool
First day of M-F Pre-K
- 18: First day of MWF Preschool
- 22: Back-to-School Night
Kindergarten—5:30 pm
3rd Grade—6:15 pm
4th Grade—7:00 pm
Jr. High—7:45 pm
- 24: Back-to-School Night
1st Grade—5:30 pm
2nd Grade—6:15 pm
5th Grade—7:00 pm
6th Grade—7:45 pm

SEPTEMBER

- 1: BIST Consultant Visit
- 4: **NO SCHOOL—LABOR DAY**
- 11: Student Confessions
- 14: Health Screenings,
Preschool & 1st-4th Grades
- 15: 1:00 pm Dismissal
- 22: **WALK FOR CHRIST DAY**
- 28: Picture Retake Day,
8:00 am-12:30 pm



School Calendar:

The updated [2023-2024 School Calendar](#) is on the St. Joseph School website.

****Emergency Contact and Technology Policy:**

You have been notified if we have not received your Emergency Contact form or our Computer Acceptable Use Policy. If you have been notified please read over and fill out both forms to be returned ASAP. Both forms were sent home in your Continuing Registration Packet back in the Spring, and were due in May. If you have any questions please send it to Emily Klein, Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net.

Kindness Pledge:

Each year every Saint Joseph student needs to fill out our Kindness Pledge.

For students in **K-2nd grade**, use this [FORM](#).

For students **3-8th grade** use this [FORM](#).

These forms are due by **July 28th**. There are a couple different options on how to return it to the school: it can be mailed in or brought into the school office during Summer office hours. If you have any questions please send it to Emily Klein, Emily-Klein@cdolinc.net.

Student Supply List:

A supply list for next year is on the school website and can be found [HERE](#).

Back to School Ice Cream Social:

Come join our school family as we celebrate the new school year at our Back-to-School Ice Cream Social on **Thursday, August 10 from 6:00-8:00 pm!** Dilly Bars will be served in the school cafeteria. That same night, you can sign up students for Walk For Christ t-shirts in the library, check out your classrooms, and talk to your teachers! Out of respect for our teachers' planning, please do not stay between school photos and the Ice Cream Social. Thank you!!



HEALTH NOTES

STUDENTS ENTERING

Kindergarten and 7th Grade:

Submit Physical Exam Record and
Vaccination Records.

All students:

Please turn in a record of your
dental exams.

VACCINATE!

Summer is the time to
catch up on vaccinations.



School Pictures:

School Pictures will be taking place before school starts this year! On **Thursday, August 10 from 2:00-6:30pm** pictures will be taken in Resurrection Hall. Sign up [HERE](#) to reserve/revise your time. **Please** be sure your child comes on this day as we only have one retake date and want to make sure every child's photo is in our class directory.

Also, it would be good to review the [Dress Code guidelines](#) for non-uniform days when picking out your child's outfit.

Beyond the Bell:

Registration is now open for the Beyond the Bell (BTB) After School Program for 2023-2024 **for PreK-8th Grade**. Applications need to be in by **August 1** by emailing the completed form to monica-condon@cdolinc.net or sending the form to school to the attention of Monica Condon at BTB.

Please see the [Application](#) to register.

Class Placement:

Class lists with homeroom assignments will be posted after all Masses the weekend of **July 29-30** for preschool through 8th grade. Please make sure your Tuition Agreement and registration is complete so your child(ren) will be included on the lists.

Parent Handbook:

Please look over our **2023-2024 Parent Handbook**. Please email JHEL-Info@cdolinc.net to confirm you have read and agree to the school handbook. We need a response from every parent/guardian.

Medical Forms:

Medical Forms can be found on our website [HERE](#). We have a form for students who receive prescription medication and also one for non-prescription medication. By completing the latter form, you give us permission to give students non-prescription medication for minor things such as headaches, painful braces, etc. Please print, complete, and return these forms to school.



Uniforms:

A copy of the [Dress Code](#) policy is included here and in the parent handbook. Please be sure to read it carefully as you prepare uniform clothing for next year. Parents of girls: please make sure that jumpers/skirts are long enough at the beginning of the year to allow for your daughter's growth. See the [flyer](#) for detailed online fitting/ordering information. For uniform questions, please contact Dennis Uniform (402-496-9911) or check their website at www.dennisuniform.com. As a reminder, you are also welcome to shop our used uniform supply at school. All items are available for a free-will donation.

****Also, remember to have your child's hair color and style fit the dress code by Picture Day, Aug. 11.***

Lunch Prices:

Student hot lunch prices for the coming year are **\$3.25/child**.

MySchoolBucks credit/debit card payment fees increase to \$2.75 per transaction ([see attachment](#)).

Salad Bar will be available as an entrée for 5th-8th grades and adults.

Online payment for lunches is at www.MySchoolBucks.com.

1. Register for a free account*.
2. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with a link to activate your account.
3. Add your student(s) using their school's name (St. Joseph Catholic School-Diocese of Lincoln) and student birthdate.

For more information, check the Parent Handbook, p. 37.



Volunteer Information:

If you are interested in volunteering to help, please contact Gloria Jundt at Gloria-jundt@cdolinc.net, with your information. She will get back to you after August 1.