

August 30, 2023



# St. John Catholic School

*Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish*



## **ON THE HORIZON:**

Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup>  
No School – Labor Day

Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>  
Noon Dismissal- Staff PD

Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup>  
Back to School Night @  
6:00pm

Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>  
STAR testing window closes

Dear Shamrock Family,

Our school year is officially in full swing and the students are becoming familiar with class routines and school procedure. Much learning is already occurring and the students seem to be getting along with each other quite well too. Our school family has embraced our new students and staff members and all seems well at SJCS thus far!

I look forward to seeing all families at Back to School Night on September 7<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:00pm in the gym. This is a very important event during which parents can learn more information about general school events and procedures, as well as have time to meet teachers and review curriculum. This event may look a little different than in years past, but more to come on that in next week's newsletter edition. I hope to see all parents at Back to School Night on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

As partners in mission, we are called to work together for the benefit of our children. Please know that we, the faculty and staff at St. John, care very much for our shamrock family, and that we are dedicated to working in partnership with you, the parents, so to fulfill our mission of educating the whole child and ministering to our community in the image of Christ's love. Thank you for your dedication to Catholic education. Below is a message from Bishop Barber including an invitation to an outdoor Eucharistic Procession at the Cathedral of Christ the Light to culminate the Diocesan Revival Congress!

[Bishop Barber's Letter to Parents - Eucharistic Revival Congress Processions](#)

Blessings,  
Ms. Paige Child  
Principal  
[pchild@csdo.org](mailto:pchild@csdo.org)

**BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK:**

Let all that you do be done in love. – *1 Corinthians 16:14*

**SAFETY IN PARKING LOT:**

Parents & guardians, please use extreme caution when driving through the parking lot(s). Please look out for and offer the right of way to all students and school families traveling to and from school on foot.

**FAITH FORMATION:**

A prayer for beginners:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BO3YJHZVdxs>

**STUDENT LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:**

We live our faith - We serve others - We are lifelong learners



**MEDICATIONS ON CAMPUS REMINDER**

Policy

- All medication administered require parent/guardian authorization.
- All prescription medication and aspirin require physician and parent/guardian authorization.
- Medications are to be kept in the school office
- An exception will be made if the school has a “Permission to Carry and Self-Medicate” form on file, signed off on by both the parent(s) and student’s physician.

Procedure

- Parent/Guardian is to bring the medication to the office.
- A request form for each prescribed medication must be completed by the student’s physician, signed by physician and signed by parent. Faxed forms from the physician are acceptable.

Please contact Ms. Aimee with any questions.







**FUNDRAISING WITH RAISE RIGHT:**

Have you ever wondered what Raise Right (Formerly SCRIP) is and how it benefits St. John Catholic School?

What? Raise Right is Fundraising While You Shop®, it turns everyday shopping into cash for your organization when families use retail gift cards to pay for everyday purchases (like gas and groceries) instead of the usual credit/debit card or other money.

How? Profits from your purchases count toward your family's annual \$300 fundraising obligation. Be sure to pay attention to the percentage that each card earns to accurately calculate your contributions.

Please refer to [www.RaiseRight.com](http://www.RaiseRight.com) for a complete list of participating vendors. Orders can be placed through Raise Right's website or the attached paper form.

The first Raise Right (Formerly SCRIP) order of the 2023-2024 school year is due on Thursday, September 14, 2023. Please contact Ms. Aimee at [asure@csdo.org](mailto:asure@csdo.org) for more information on the Raise Right (formerly SCRIP) program or information on how to enroll online.

**REMINDER: SHAMROCK PRIDE GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEE DUE:**

All families are required to join and actively participate in the parent organization, newly named the Shamrock Pride Group (SPG). There is a required annual membership fee of \$10 per family. This parent organization membership fee is nonrefundable and must be paid before 9/20/23. Funds will be used to put on special events for our shamrock family! Keep an eye out for more information on how to participate in the Shamrock Pride Group.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS**

- 1.) Volunteer Background Checks are required for any person who would like to volunteer, chaperone, or attend class parties. Anyone who wants to enter the school, past the office lobby, during school hours needs to be fingerprinted.
  - One time, no expiration.
  - Forms can be picked up in the office
  - There is a \$34 fee per person payable to SJCS
- 2.) Safe Environment Training completion is required for any person who would like to volunteer, chaperone, attend class parties, or anyone who wants to enter the school, past the office lobby, during school hours needs to have a current Safe Environment Certificate on file.
  - All volunteers will have to complete training through [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org) once every 3 years.
  - There is a \$5 fee payable to SJCS.

ST. JOHN CYO

# BOYS' BASKETBALL

## SIGN UPS



**REGISTER ONLINE!**

**DEADLINE: 9/2**

**[STJOHNCYO.WEEBLY.COM](http://STJOHNCYO.WEEBLY.COM)**

**SHAMROCKCYO@GMAIL.COM**

**FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM: @SHAMROCKCYO**





St. John Catholic School

# CHORAL PROGRAM

Liturgical Choir - open to all students  
2nd grade and up.

Mondays, 3:30-4:00, Room 17

*NEW* Honor Choir - details to come

Wednesdays, 3:30-4:00, Room 17

Sign Up Here:

<https://forms.gle/fUYD97zeaFtLiRbU7>



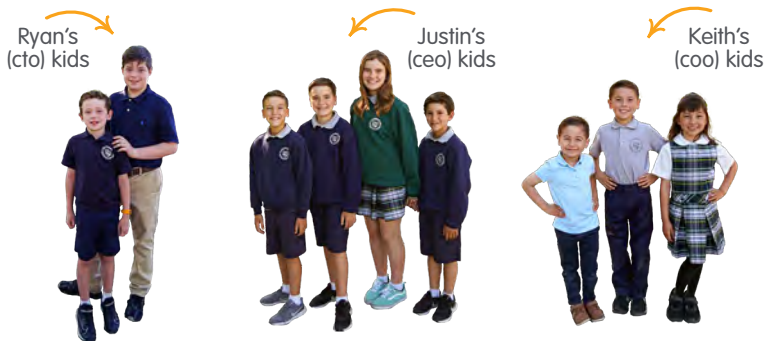
Parents, please note that students signed up for choir will be required to sign into SEP and you will be charged for SEP during choir practice.



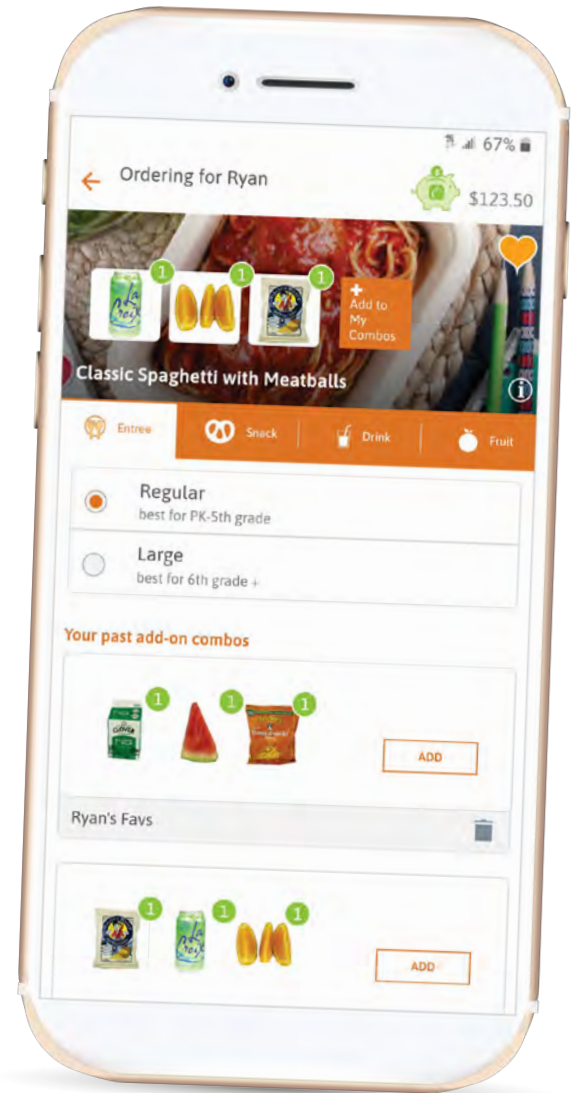
# School Lunch DONE RIGHT™

Treat yourself to hassle-free mornings and meals that make kids jump for joy!

Escape the lunch-packing frenzy and cold lackluster lunches. Take back your mornings with Choicelunch and savor the convenience of a transformative hot school lunch experience. Reclaim the precious gift of more time and a world of smiles at lunchtime. **It's as simple as customize, delight, and repeat.**



Choicelunch founders' kids are customers.



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Get the App  

## We feed your kids like our own.

We use whole, fresh ingredients sourced responsibly from trusted partners. We avoid anything artificial or processed, especially:

- ⊘ High Fructose Corn Syrup (HFCS)
- ⊘ Added Nitrates/Nitrites
- ⊘ Artificial Sweeteners or Colors & Flavors
- ⊘ Partially Hydrogenated Oils
- ⊘ Peanut and Tree Nut-Free  
*(some entrées may contain coconut oil)*

We source fresh, antibiotic-free chicken and beef. With our fresh fruits and veggies, if it's on the EWG's Dirty Dozen list, we make every effort to source organic.



**Our recipe is simple, deliver honest foods families can feel good about and kids love.**

**GOT QUESTIONS?** Don't worry, we've got answers! Our super-friendly support team, based in California, is standing by and ready to assist. Get in touch online or send us an email at [support@choicelunch.com](mailto:support@choicelunch.com).

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# Lunchtime On Your Terms

## MEAL PLANS TAILORED TO YOU

Hungry for lunchtime flexibility that fits your family's needs? Welcome to Meal Plans, our simple subscription service where you can save money and call the shots.

**Build Your Plan:** Mix and match days and sides to create a personalized subscription that perfectly matches your ordering habits, budget, and tastes. Want lunch 3 days a week with 2 sides? You got it! Prefer lunch 4 days a week with 1 side? No problem! Craft a unique meal plan that's as special as your child's lunchtime cravings.

**No Strings Attached:** We believe in freedom and flexibility. Change, cancel, or upgrade throughout the school year. Experiment with plan options, adapt to evolving needs, and enjoy peace of mind with full control and total flexibility.

**Start Saving Today:** Delight your little ones with delicious, awesome meals while staying within budget. More options allow you to be a money-saving hero without sacrificing convenience and choice.



## Why Families Choicelunch

- 1. Convenience.** Take back your mornings and never make lunch again, or at least take a break.
- 2. Choicelunch App.** Customize, Delight, Repeat! Order delicious lunch in a flash - anytime, anywhere!
- 3. Full Control.** Order everything online, from entrées to snacks, fruits/veggies, and drinks.
- 4. More Choices.** Up to 20 options daily, including hot & cold entrées, plus over 40 sides for diverse taste buds & preferences.
- 5. Allergen Filter.** Customize your menu to only show items that meet your student's dietary needs & preferences.
- 6. Whole Ingredients.** We use whole, fresh ingredients sourced responsibly from trusted partners.
- 7. Registered Dietitian.** Our recipes and ingredients are carefully reviewed and approved by a registered dietitian.
- 8. Earth-Friendly.** We care about our planet! Our packaging is either compostable or made from 100% post-consumer recycled materials.
- 9. Flexible Deadlines.** Choose from advance ordering to day-of service until 9 am, with on-campus emergency lunches available too.
- 10. Superhero Support.** Contact us online or email [support@choicelunch.com](mailto:support@choicelunch.com). We're ready to save the day!

## Ready, Set, Scan!

Scan the QR code below. You can also sign up when you download our mobile app or visit [order.choicelunch.com](https://order.choicelunch.com).



- 1. Simple Sign Up:** Enter your info and tell us your child's dietary preferences and food allergies. We'll take care of the rest!
- 2. Build a Meal Plan:** Tailor each kid's meal plan to perfection. Change, cancel, or upgrade anytime. It's all about catering to their unique tastes and needs.
- 3. Order with Joy:** Choose from a daily lineup of up to 20 delectable hot and cold entrées. Don't forget to add those sides! Load up on snacks, drinks, fruits, and veggies to your heart's content.
- 4. Extended Deadlines:** Plan ahead or snap decisions. Enjoy flexibility that charms the planners, thrills the spontaneous, and rescues the forgetful with various deadlines, including the day before, same-day, plus emergency lunches.



**St. John Catholic School**  
**School Extension Program Registration**  
**2023-2024**

Registration:

For returning families, SEP accounts must be cleared at the time of registration, from the previous school year. Families who do not receive a registration packet may contact the SEP Director or **front office** to receive one.

If you wish to register for SEP, there is a fee of \$50.00 per family before September 1st. If you register after September 1st, your registration fee increases to \$75.00.

Snacks are **not** provided by SEP staff. One to two snacks for time spent in SEP should be saved and kept separately from school day snacks. We ask parents to please remind students to save a snack for time spent in after school SEP.

SEP offers two types of programs:

**Registered Drop In:**

- \$50 non-refundable registration fee
- Rate: \$7 per hour
- Billed to the quarter hour
- Can attend before and after school care

**Non-Registered Drop In:**

- No registration fee
- Rate: \$10 per hour
- Billed to the quarter hour
- Can attend before and after school care

Hours of Operation: 7:00 AM – 7:40AM and 15 minutes after dismissal until 6:00 PM on all days school is in session, with the EXCEPTION of after school SEP on Disaster Drill day, the last day of school before Christmas Break and the last day of the school year. SEP is offered from 15 minutes after a minimum day dismissal time until 6:00pm on minimum days.

***\*Families will be charged \$5.00 per minute for each minute that their child(ren) remain in the program after 6:00 pm.***

Billing: SEP billing statements are sent out the first full week of each month. **Payment is due upon receipt of your statement. Any overdue balance exceeding \$200 will result in students no longer being permitted to attend SEP, until the full balance is paid.** Please make checks payable to St. John SEP. If at any time you have a question regarding the hours billed, please contact the SEP Lead via email. If you have any questions about previous payments or balance due, please contact Ms. Aimee- [asire@csdo.org](mailto:asire@csdo.org).

X \_\_\_\_\_ Sign here if you've read and understand the above-listed regulations.

Please make sure to complete all the information in your registration packet. On the authorized pickup form, list all people you are authorizing to pick up your child(ren) from SEP. **Do not forget to list yourself.** Your child(ren) can only be released to those on the list.



Location:

Outside, in the school play yard (3:05-3:30pm)

Room 9- SEP Grades TK-3

Room 7- SEP Grades 4-8

For more information regarding the SEP program, please contact the school office at 510-276-6632. Questions during SEP hours (3:00-6:00pm) can be directed to the SEP Lead or via email.

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents/Guardians: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Numbers (required):**

Home, Father \_\_\_\_\_ Home, Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Work, Father \_\_\_\_\_ Work, Mother \_\_\_\_\_

Cell, Father \_\_\_\_\_ Cell, Mother \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:**

Child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

Father \_\_\_\_\_

Mother \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Email Address** for billing & communication (required):

Father \_\_\_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_\_\_

**Student lives with** (circle one):    Mother    Father    Both    Guardian

If your child does not live with both parents, may either parent pick up the child?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_



Is there any particular individual who **MAY NOT** pick up your child? Please circle YES or NO  
If yes, please list:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

If your child does not live with both parents, may either parent pick up the child?

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





Dear SEP Parents,

The following is a reminder to all of our SEP students of the behavioral expectations that are required of them daily. These are guidelines set up by the Oakland Diocese by which all Extended Care Programs abide. Parents, please review and discuss the following rules with your children.

**This form must be signed by parents and students and will be kept on file.**

**BEHAVIORAL EXPECTATIONS:**

1. Show respect for yourself, others and property
2. Positively contribute to the SEP environment
3. Listen to and follow SEP supervisors' directions and make safe choices

If school or SEP rules are not followed, a student may be not be allowed to remain in the SEP program. Parents/guardians are expected to conduct themselves with respect when dropping off or picking a student up from SEP.

STUDENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

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*I have read and fully understand the expectations of the School Extended Program  
at St. John Catholic School.*

PARENT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete this form and return it to the SEP Lead or office staff.**

# Back-To-School Prayer



Dear God,

Please bless all children in this new school year. Give them strength to learn, concentrate and act in love towards their classmates. Watch over them at home and at school. When days become challenging, grant them peace and relaxation, knowing that Your patience, wisdom and courage is excellent in every way. Guide them in their mind, thoughts and body so they may use the knowledge gained to build your kingdom. We thank you for this new school year and ask that you bless the students, families and faculty that make school such a wonderful place.

In your name we pray!

