



St. John Catholic School

Educational Ministry of St. John The Baptist Parish

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From the Principal's Desk



Dear Shamrock Families,

Welcome to a new school year! It is so exciting to embark on a new year with all of our returning school families and staff, as well as with those who are new to our school community. This year is already off to an excellent start with so many successes to share.

To begin, we have made our school structure safer with a newly repaired and replaced school roof, new hallway flooring, and freshly painted hallway walls, baseboards, door frames, and doors. Enrollment is up and the Pre-K and Kindergarten Information Night, New Parent Info. Hour, and Back to School BBQ were all well attended and seemingly enjoyable events for all involved. The first day of school was heartwarming as Fr. Sergio and Fr. Thi joined us to welcome the students and families back to school, and our SJCS Parent/Teacher Group (PTG) hosted a fabulous parent social at which many parents were able to learn more about and sign up to volunteer to help at various school events throughout the year.

As we gathered on the first day, I shared with our parent community our new school motto, which will be chanted at the start of each school day during morning assembly. Our St. John Catholic school motto goes like this:

We live our faith, we serve others, and we are life-long learners. We are people of integrity. We are Shamrocks!

Embodying our student learning expectations (SLEs) and most perfectly illustrating all that we hope our students learn and leave school with, our new school motto reinforces the importance of faith, service, learning, and leadership in the community. As we begin another school year, I thank parents for entrusting their students to St. John Catholic School, and I thank you for your partnership in Catholic education. Please know how valuable each and every family is to our community and how much your presence is appreciated. May God bless your family this school year and always.

Blessings,

Ms. Paige Child

Principal

pchild@csdo.org

Student/Parent Handbook 2017-2018, Photo Release, and Counselor Forms

Earlier this week, the Handbook, Photo Release and Counselor signature pages were sent home. Please take a few moments to read and sign these important forms, and return them to the office by **8/25**. We thank you for your cooperation.

Calendar Reminders

Fingerprinting Session

Thursday, August 24th 5-7 p.m.

Cyber Safety Night

Thursday, August 24th 7-9 pm

CYO Sign-ups

Wednesday and Thursday, August 30-31st

Labor Day-No School

Monday, September 4th

Fall Fundraiser

Tuesday, September 5th

Back to School Night

Thursday, September 7th

PTG Meeting

Thursday, September 14th

PTG Movie Night

Friday, September 15th

SJCS School Calendar

The calendar for this year is available on our website, www.stjohnscatholicschool.org. Please check it out to stay up-to-date.

Applause Section:

- Mr. Robert Aceret, Mr. Lara and his son, Sean for helping paint our hallways!!
- Mr. Ryan Baraan, Mr. Marc Visitacion and Mr. Robert Aceret for setting up our new basketball hoops for students!!

Updates!

Thursday 8/24 and Friday 8/25 are full days and dismissal is at 2:50pm.

Protocol for entering school:

All parents/visitors entering the school must be fingerprinted and take the safe environment training. You must sign in with front office before entering classrooms.

ATTENTION VOLUNTEERS:

Adults who volunteer at our school, including chaperones or drivers on field trips, must be fingerprinted and complete Safe Environment Training.

This is a Diocesan Mandate.

Fingerprinting

Please visit the office to pick up a form and a list of vendors to complete the Livescan services. There is a \$34 one-time fee for these services.

Safe Environment Training

- www.virtusonline.org
- Must be completed PRIOR to beginning service.
- Must be completed every three years.

Ordering P.E. Uniforms

You can purchase P.E. uniforms through our PTG group during their meetings. Their meetings are second Thursdays of each month and are held in the faculty room at the school.

The next meeting will be Thursday, **Sept. 14th** from 7 to 8pm.

For more information, visit <http://sjcsptg.weebly.com/>

Uniform Exchange

We are offering a uniform exchange that will be led by Ms. Gloria on Thursday 8/24 and Friday 8/25 from 8am to 9am. Bring your gently used uniform to exchange for other uniform or purchase some of our gently used ones for a reduced price.

If you are interested in coming, please email jurdaneta@csdo.org.



Choicelunch Program

St. John Catholic School lunch services are through the Choicelunch program. Visit www.choicelunch.com for more information and to register your student(s) online!

Interested in Joining Choir?

The St. John Choir will be held on Monday from 3:15 pm – 4:30 pm.

Please sign up at the end of this newsletter and bringing the signed permission slips to your homeroom teacher. All students 2nd through 8th grade are welcome to join!



SCRIP Fundraising Orders

Have you ever wondered what SCRIP is and how it benefits St. John Catholic School?

What? Scrip 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. Visit www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating vendors!

Bell Schedule:

10:00–10:20 K-2 Recess
10:35–10:50 3-8 Recess
11:55–12:15 K-2 Lunch
Recess 12:15–12:35 K-2 Eat
12:30–12:50 3-8 Eat
12:50–1:10 3-8 Lunch Recess

CYO Sign-ups!

Sign-ups for Boys' Basketball, Girls' Volleyball, and Cross Country will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, August 30th and 31st, from 6:30 to 8pm in the school, Rm. 15. Cost of registration is \$150.00 (\$75 for cross country), uniform deposit is \$65.00, and service deposit is \$40 (deposit checks post-dated for February 5, 2018, please). If not a student at St. John Catholic School, birth certificate copy and proof of residence (utility bill) are needed. Hope to see you there!



St. John CYO Cheerleading Sign Ups!

LAST CALL FOR CHEER SIGN UPS

When: Wednesday, August 30th

Where: Room 15 (in the school)
270 E Lewelling Blvd
San Lorenzo

Time: 6:00pm

What to bring:

- Cheerleader wearing a swim suit under her clothes to try on uniforms
 - \$85 check made out to SJAA for registration
 - \$185 check made out to SJAA for the uniform

This is the ONLY chance to sign up for cheerleading for this season. Please note your uniform may not arrive before the season starts. Alternate clothing will be discussed.

Please contact Kristen Elliott
with any questions
510-331-1525
cheer1415@aol.com



SCRIP ORDER 2017 - 2018

Family Name _____

Name & Grade of oldest child _____

******Orders Due by August 31, 2017.**

Entertainment	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Century Theaters	4%	\$25		
Century Theaters Single Admit	10%	\$9.50		
Gas	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Arco	1.5%	\$50		
	2.5%	\$250		
76	1.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Shell	2%	\$50		
		\$100		
Grocery	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Lucky/Savemart	2%	\$25		
		\$100		
Safeway	4%	\$25		
		\$100		
Smart & Final	3%	\$25		
		\$100		
Target	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Whole Foods	3%	\$25		
		\$100		

Fast Food/Restaurant	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Applebee's	8%	\$25		
Chipotle	10%	\$10		
IHOP	8%	\$25		
Olive Garden	8%	\$25		
Starbucks Coffee	7%	\$10		
		\$25		
Retail	%	\$	QTY	Net \$
Amazon.com	2.5%	\$25		
		\$100		
Old Navy	14%	\$25		
		\$100		
Macy's	10%	\$25		
		\$100		
Marshall's/TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Ross	8%	\$25		
Dick's Sporting Goods	8%	\$25		
		\$100		
Walgreens	6%	\$25		
		\$100		

Please refer to www.shopwithscrip.com for a complete list of participating vendors.

Write In Orders** (use back side of form if needed)	%	\$	QTY	Net \$

*Payment must be included with this form. Make checks payable to St. John Catholic School
Turn completed forms to School Office or send back in Wednesday envelope.
Orders will be ready in about 1 week.*

☐ Cash ☐ Check # _____

**Orders Due by THURSDAY, August 31, 2017 10:00 AM.
GET A HEAD START ON 2017-2018 FUNDRAISING!**

TOTAL \$

- ☐ I will pick up my Scrip Order at the school office ☐ I will pick up my Scrip Order at SEP
☐ Please send home Scrip Order with eldest child

Purchased By (please print) _____ Phone # _____

I understand that Scrip is like cash and St. John Catholic School is not responsible if your Scrip order is lost or stolen.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Join the St. John Choir



New Rehearsal Time:
Mondays 3:15 - 4:30 pm.
2nd - 8th Grade

I give permission for my child

to participate in choir for the rest of the 2017 -
2018 school year.

Parent Signature: _____