East Ascension/East Iberville Regional Catholic School Partnership

St. John Primary/St. Theresa Middle 225-647-2803 www.sjp-sta.org

Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8am-3pm Phones will be answered Monday-Thursday 8am-1pm



JULY PARENT BULLETIN

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission at St. John Primary and St. Jheresa Middle is to serve one another through Catholic values as we strive for spiritual growth and academic excellence.

RELIGIOUS THEME

Be The fight

Important Dates to begin the 2019-2020 School Year

Check our website for current calendar items throughout the year

www.sjp-sta.org

July 29 - STA Supply Drop-Off July 30 - SJP Supply Drop-Off July 31 - Back-to-School Night for SJP

August 1 - Back-to-School Night for STA August 6 - First school day for grades K-8 July 30 - 6-8 Grade Student Laptop Training August 7 - First school day for PK (Girls only) at 8:30am August 8 - First school day for PK (Boys only) at 8:30 am

Handbook & Contract Information

Catholic schools operate under contract law. The Parent/Student Handbook is the printed contract between the parents of students and the school. The school's goals, policies, regulations and student activities shall be incorporated into the Handbook. It is required that each parent and student sign a contract stating that they have read the Handbook and agree to abide by, and be governed by, the policies, rules, and regulations set forth therein.

The 2019-2020 Parent/Student Handbook will be uploaded on our website next week. Please read it carefully. New and/or updated information will be highlighted. Parents will be given a contract to sign at Back-to-School Nights in their oldest child's homeroom. It should be returned to the oldest child's homeroom teacher by Tuesday, August 6.

Important Miscellaneous Details

- Student medications that must be kept in the school office may be dropped off at BTS Night.
- Bus information can be addressed to Cameron Braud. His email address is cameronbraud@sjp-sta.org. There is a shuttle bus that transports students to and from each campus in the mornings. A bus leaves SJP at 7:15 a.m. and STA at 7:25 a.m.
- Yearbook "Early Bird" Special - Buy your 2019-2020 yearbook now, and you will save \$\$\$! Buy now for only \$35 until August 15th. Prices go up August 16th. Go to www.yearbookordercenter.com and type in the school code 2629. (This price excludes name stamp and our world add-ins. See website for details.) If you have any questions, email nikkiburkett@sjp-sta.org or jenniferwhittemore@sjp-sta.org.
- We need YOU! If interested in volunteering on either campus as part of our Copy Corps teams, please call the school office.
- Interested in substituting? Please email your contact information to michaballow@sjp-sta.org.

School Rules Apply the First Day of School

- Be reminded to follow all dress and grooming rules stated in the Parent/Student Handbook.
- Pay special attention to tennis shoes they must be all white, no color marks or color symbols, no silver/gray.
- Student hairstyles must follow the given guidelines. Hair may not show remnants of summer length, style, or color.
- The most common hair issues we have are highlighted hair and undercuts that are not well blended. (See handbook for details)
- Please help us to start the year off in a positive manner by following the guidelines from day one. Consequences will be issued if necessary. Help us make sure all students have a great beginning of school!

Uniform Information

- Uniforms are available at The Uniform Post (Gonzales) and Inka's S'coolwear, Young Fashions, and School Time (all in BR).
- PK students must wear <u>Velcro-close</u>, all-white tennis shoes.
- The only ankle socks allowed are those with the SJP or STA logo. They are <u>only</u> available at The Uniform Post.
- 4-8th grade boys must wear long pants to school Mass on Thursdays.
- School navy fleece jackets are only available at The Uniform Post.
- Spirit Shirts, PE Uniforms, and School Sweatshirts are only available online and will be sold year round. (more info follows)

The **Used Uniform Sale** is Wednesday, July 17th 5:30-7:00pm in the Warrior Café on the STA campus. Please contact Duke Soulier at <u>dukesoulier@sjp-sta.org</u> to volunteer to help. Volunteers set up before the sale, shop first, and receive a free uniform.

Athletic Information

- Athletic dates/events will be included on the school calendar found on the school website.
- There will be a MANDATORY sports meeting on **Sunday, August 11** at 5pm in the STA gym for parents who have children interested in basketball (3-8 grade boys & girls), football (5-8 grade boys) and also current cheer parents. New information about online packets and payments will be presented at this meeting.
- A sports physical, completed by a physician, is <u>required</u> of any student who plans to participate in a school sport.
 - ♦ Boys & Girls in grades 3-8 = basketball
 - ♦ Boys in grades 5-8 = football or track
 - ◊ Girls in grades 5-8 = volleyball, track, cheerleading
- BOYS PHYSICALS will be offered, free of charge, Mon, July 15 starting at 3:30 pm in the STA gym.
- Use the schedule below to avoid waiting in long lines:
 - ♦ 3:30 8th grade boys and siblings
 - ♦ 3:55 7th grade boys and siblings
 - ♦ 4:20 6th grade boys and siblings
 - ♦ 4:45 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade boys
- GIRLS PHYSICALS will be offered, free of charge, on Wed, July 17 at 3 pm in the STA gym.
- Physical forms can be found on Renweb under School Resource Documents. Completed physicals are good for one year.
- IMPORTANT: BOYS MAY NOT ATTEND ON THE GIRLS' DAY, AND GIRLS MAY NOT ATTEND ON THE BOYS' DAY.

6th-8th Student Laptop Training

Student Technology Training for 6-8 graders will take place on July 30. Students will attend one of three sessions in which they will be trained on their new devices. Students who turn in a signed Technology Agreement will be allowed to take their devices home after the training. Students are encouraged to email Mrs. Ballow at <u>michaballow@sip-sta.org</u> if they encounter any issues on their devices while at home. Technology Agreements will be emailed to parents prior to this day. Students absent from this training will receive training once school starts. Devices will be issued after training. We are excited about the transition to 1:1 classrooms!

Session times

Last Names A-G: 8:00 a.m.- 9:30 a.m. Last Names H-P: 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Last Names Q-Z and ALL NEW STA students in 6-8 grade: 12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

Please contact Kim Rome kimrome@sjp-sta.org or Micha Ballow michaballow@sjp-sta.org with any questions!

Back-to-School Night (PARENTS ONLY) 6:00 p.m.

SJP - Wednesday, July 31 **STA** - Thursday, August 1

- On each campus, begin in the church at 6pm for the principal's address.
- Visits with teachers will begin after the principal's address.
- Homeroom class lists (PK-5th) and schedules (6th-8th) will be posted in FACTS prior to BTS Night.
- Car-rider signs (PK-3rd grade) will be handed out in homerooms.

Online School Site For Back to School purchases (Ready now!):

- Go to www.store.sjp-sta.org (press CTRL and click)
- Sleep Mat (PK and K only)
- Assignment Pad (3rd-8th grades only)
- Commencement/Awards/Reception Fee (7th grade only)
- Art Sketchpads (1st-8th grades)
- Bank Bags
- Book Covers
- Festival of Friends items (excludes T-shirts which are sold in the Warrior Wearhouse)
- Order school items by July 24 to have items ready for Back-to-School Nights. Orders placed after July 24 will be delivered to students at school.

School Apparel: (Ready now!):

• Go to https://warriorwearhouse.itemorder.com (press CTRL and click)

- Select items needed
 - School Sweatshirt
 - Spirit Shirts (different color per grade level)
 - PE Uniforms (4th-8th grade only)
 - Lanyard (4th-8th grade only)
 - Festival of Friends Shirts (Orders placed by August 16th will be delivered to students on Sept. 4. Orders placed after August 16 will be delivered to students, but are not guaranteed by Sept. 4. NO ORDERS WILL BE PLACED AFTER SEPTEMBER 13. This allows us to have shirts in before the fair weekend.)
 - Volunteer Shirts
- Please include student grade level/homeroom code on orders
- Order by July 14 to have items ready for Back-to-School Nights. Orders placed after July 14 will be delivered to students at school.

Back to School Prayer

Dear Lord,

Use my eyes to SEE new friends Open my ears to HEAR my teacher Open my mind to LEARN new things Let my heart REMEMBER you are near when I'm afraid



Help me to LOVE others like you do

I want to SHINE your light so bright in my school Amen

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CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act)

SJP/STA provides access to the Internet for all students. Principals will discuss this at BTS Night.

The school has instituted certain precautions in compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA). However, on a global network it is impossible to control all materials available. In order for a student to use the Internet, families must read and sign the Acceptable Use Policy.

This policy will be handed out at either the Student Technology Training or BTS Night in the homeroom of the oldest child in each family. Parents and students must sign and return by Friday, August 9.

Choir Opportunity

5th-8th grade students interested in the Mass Choir must attend rehearsal on Wed, Aug. 7 in room 13 from 3-3:45. Mass Choir rehearsals will be the 1st Wed. of each month.

Tryouts for our 5th-8th grade girls' choir, One Voice, will be held Thurs, Aug. 8 from 3-4:30. Sign-ups will be posted on the first day of school.

School Advisory Board Members

Chair - Lizette Leader - St. Joseph/St. Stephen Christian Avery - Holy Rosary Melissa Bourgeois - St. John Michelle Cornett - St. John Kevin Jones - St. John Kressy Krennerich - St. Mark Amanda Lambert - St. Theresa Kristie Pickering - St. Theresa Nicole Robert - St. Anne/St. Anthony Renee Trimble - St. Mark Dareth Waguespack - St. Theresa Melanie Williams - St. Gabriel



The School Advisory Board is a consultative group to the administration and the Resident Board of Pastors. All members are volunteers and are in-serviced by the Catholic Schools Office.

Meetings are held approximately every other month. More information can be found in the Parent/Student Handbook.

There are three committees working with the Advisory Board. They are the Academic & Technology Committee, Building & Maintenance Committee, and the Finance Committee.

Diocese of Baton Rouge Catholic Schools Statement of Policy

The schools in the Diocese of Br, LA admit students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at its schools. They do not discriminate of the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan program, and athletic and other school administered programs.

Additionally, in compliance with Title IX of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no person in the schools of the Diocese shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, or be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity except as permitted under said Title IX.

