

July 2023

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone is having a relaxing and fun-filled summer! It is hard to believe that the first day of school is just a few weeks away. With the help of our very dedicated faculty and staff, we are busily preparing school for reopening. St. Anthony School plans to open its doors for families **after 10AM Mass on Sunday, August 13th** in order to allow families to drop off student supplies. **We hope that attending Mass and then heading over to school to drop off supplies will help us start the school year off right!**

Student instruction will begin on **Wednesday, August 16th with a full day of school (7:30 AM until 2:25 PM)**.

Teacher and staff assignments for the 2023-2024 school year are as follows:

Mrs. Faulhaber – Kindergarten Homeroom

- Kindergarten (all subjects) and Grade 1 Reading and Language Arts

Sister Paula Gohs – Grade 1 Religion

Ms. Reams – Grade 1/2 Homeroom

- Grade 1 Science and Social Studies, Math and Grade 2 (all subjects)

Mrs. Schweitzer – Grade 3/4 Homeroom and Principal

- Grade 4 Math, Grade 3/4 Religion, and Science

Ms. Bell – Grade 5/6 Homeroom

- Grade 5/6 Religion, Grade 5-8 Social Studies, and Grade 5-7 Math

Mrs. Simon – Grade 7/8 Homeroom

- Grade 5-8 Science, Grade 7/8 Religion, Grade 3/4 Social Studies & Grade 3 Math

Mrs. Bement – Grade 3-8 Reading and Language Arts

Sr. Suzanne – Grade 8 Math

Miss Jackie – Art and Library/Computers

Mr. Martin – Maintenance

Mrs. Bottom – Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Julie Morano – Cafeteria Manager

Fr. Ivan Kalamuzi – Pastor

**** At this time, schedules have not been finalized, although teachers listed will be teaching the subject areas stated.**

Some important information for you to know is listed below:

1. SAVE THE DATE

As mentioned above, **Sunday, August 13th** will be the day to drop off student supplies before the first day of school.

There will be a **Parent Night** the school year on **Thursday, August 31st at 6:30 PM**. This night is designed for parents to become familiar with programs and volunteer opportunities for parents and to visit teachers to hear about classroom expectations and procedures.

2. FEES

Fees can be paid by mail (485 Grand Avenue, Taylor Mill, KY 41015), or paid at the office on the day supplies are dropped off. This year, there is a fee of \$40 for all families. This fee will cover expenses for student planners and 1 yearbook. **ALL FEES SHOULD BE PAID BY AUGUST 18, 2023.**

3. SUPPLY LISTS

Supply lists are attached to this email. A hard copy will be available upon request.

4. UNIFORM INFORMATION:

School uniforms are to be worn by all students (K-6) beginning August 16, 2023. Uniform regulations are attached to this email. The dress code will remain the same. The girls' jumpers and skirts may be purchased at Schoolbelles. It is not necessary to purchase all uniform attire there as long as what is purchased meets dress code. The office does have many uniform items on hand, so if you would like to browse items that we have, please contact the office to set up a time to come in and visit. **I strongly encourage you to be sure that girls' uniforms, skirts, skorts, and shorts are of appropriate length before the school year begins, and to make it a point to check this throughout the school year.**

5. SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS:

St. Anthony School has very active PTO and Boosters. We also have a Catholic Order of Foresters Organization and Court. More information about these will be available at Parent Night.

6. FACTS:

We are using FACTS again this year for tuition and tuition assistance. If you already have an account, please be sure to log in to your account and make sure that everything is set up correctly for the first payment in August. Any questions regarding FACTS should be directed to Mrs. Bottom.

7. GRADE BOOK:

We will be using Sycamore once again for the grade book and attendance. Information about logging into the system will be sent at a later date.

8. VIRTUS

Please remember that all volunteers need to be Virtus trained. Please go to www.virtusonline.org to sign up and to participate in any training sessions offered. Background checks are required for anyone whose last background check was completed 5 or more years ago. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

9. NOTRE DAME URBAN EDUCATION CENTER

The Notre Dame Urban Education center offers programs for preschoolers and homework help and enrichment activities for students in grades K-8 at a reasonable cost. This program is a sponsored institution of the Sisters of Notre Dame.

10. LUNCHES AND DRINKS

This year, St. Anthony School will be a part of the USDA's National School Breakfast and School Lunch Programs. At this time, all students in the school will receive a Grab-N-Go bagged breakfast and a Hot Lunch with a drink at no cost to parents. Although, at this time, all students eat at no cost, it is still IMPERATIVE for ALL families to fill out the application for free and reduced lunch for the purpose of Title funding from the state and for determining which students will eat for free or at a reduced cost after the non-pricing meal service option for schools ends. To get started with the application process, please visit <https://www.myschoolapps.com>. Once there, click on "Get Started" and select our school district using the zip code 41011 and the state Kentucky. By searching for the "Diocese of Covington." You will find the relevant district to select and continue with your application. Remember, the application period began on July 1, 2023. I highly encourage you to take advantage of this convenient and efficient way to apply for free and reduced meals for your child.

SPECIAL NOTE If you still have a tuition, library, or fee balance due from last year, please contact us as soon as possible to arrange for payments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call school at 431-5987.

Veronica Schweitzer

Principal