



ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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WE INSPIRE. WE CHANGE LIVES.

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Looking at the trees, plants, birds, summer air, and people being outside again, I think of the words of the Psalm, "The Lord's is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its people." And, I think of you and our joyful anticipation of being together again as the St. Vincent Pallotti Catholic School Community.

Lots of good news to prepare for **1st DAY OF SCHOOL, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25!!!**

- **Main office news!** Welcome to Lirse Jones as our new Office Manager. She is joined by Diane Potos and Deb Brunner to provide and communicate to you the many aspects of school we share in an academic year. Their spirit, skill, personality, and collaborative spirit will be readily evident as you return for school year 2021-2022. To our Spanish speaking parents and grandparents, Mrs. Jones also speaks Spanish fluently.
- **New Faculty and Faculty Changes:** Welcome to Mrs. Sara Falci, Grade 1, and Ms. Morgan Frank, Grade 4. Sadly we say good-bye to Mr. Welhouse who has chosen to change his career. Teaching K5 will be Mrs. Tracy Irwin, who has been in our 1st Grade. Another change is for Mr. Sean Kearney. Mr. Kearney will continue in a partial role as Counselor/Social Worker. But, he will also become our K-8 Physical Education teacher.
- **SCHOOL DAY HOURS CHANGE:** In evaluating Covid schedule adjustments from last year, we have made some changes to our regular day schedule that will enhance the flow of the school day, and we hope, help you getting back into the academic year routines, and better planning for appointments. **THE PALLOTTI SCHOOL DAY IS NOW 7:45AM TO 3:15PM.**
 - School doors open for students to come in, have breakfast in their room, and organize for the day from 7:45AM to 8:05AM.
 - Morning Prayer will be in school over the P.A. System at 8:05.
 - Teachers begin teaching the first class of the day at 8:10AM.
 - ON WEDNESDAYS, Mass OR All-School Prayer Service will be from 8:15AM to 9:10AM.
 - Homeroom for end of day business/organizing throughout the school will be 2:40-3:05.
 - 3:10, on the Pallotti Outdoor Prayer Lines, will be All-School Community Prayer in the model we have used for morning prayer over many years. All are welcome.
 - 3:15 the End of School Day bell will ring, and students will leave for the day from their classroom line outside at the end of Community Prayer.
- **FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM:** DPI has once again cleared for the Federal Relief Food Program to provide free breakfast and hot lunch to ALL students. **HOWEVER**, all families must still fill out the free/reduced lunch paperwork. This paperwork from the whole school is directly tied to our school receiving our funding. Paperwork will be sent home on the first day of school. Breakfast and Hot Lunch menus will be posted on our website in the next week. We will continue to have hot breakfast options in the school building. We have new 'warmer carts' for 1st and 2nd floor of the school building. Breakfast will be managed by kitchen staff.
- PLEASE POST THE ENCLOSED 3RD COPY OF THE PALLOTTI SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR AT HOME.

Several Grades are filled for 2021-2022. Not too late to send families to consider enrolling and tour!
Peace and all Good,

Jeffrey Johnson
Principal