

August 6, 2017

From the Principal's Desk

2017-2018 School Year Back to School

ORIENTATION SESSIONS – AUGUST 9

VPK Orientation for Parents (Parents will receive notification regarding session attendance)

9:00 am VPK A Orientation

10:00 am VPK B Orientation

(Both sessions will be in the VPK Classroom)

PreK 3 Parent Orientation

10:30 am PreK 3 Classroom

New Family Orientation (K – 8)

11:00 am St. Joseph Room

Meet and Greet – Open House (All Families)

11:00 – 12:30 Individual Classrooms

Pick up beginning of year packets
and car hang tag for afternoon pick
up line.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – AUGUST 10 – 8:00 am

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT – AUGUST 17

6:00 pm St. Joseph Center (Gym)
All parents to attend

Join Us at the Flagpole As We Start Each Day Grades K - 8

- The South Gate will be open at 7:35 am for students who are dropped off in the car line. (If you are parking and walking onto campus, please use the North Gate.)
- Students may take their backpacks and school items to their classrooms at 7:45 when the bell rings.
- At 7:55 teachers and students will come to the courtyard by the flagpole.
- At 8:00 am, we will pray as a school family, recite the Pledge of Allegiance, and acknowledge students celebrating birthdays.
- Parents are welcome to join us for during our morning gathering.
- Following our morning prayer, students will go to their classrooms to start the day.
- Parents are reminded to keep good-byes very brief.
- VPK and PreK students will go directly to their classrooms to be signed in for the day.

Please help our children learn good habits of courtesy and punctuality by making sure all students are on time each day.

We are collecting used uniforms
for the Eagles Nest.

If last year's uniforms no longer fit,
please drop them off
in the school office.

We currently are in need of
yellow blouses for our little girls.



Boo Hoo Yahoo Breakfast

You are invited to join us in the Parish Center for pastries, juice, and coffee, following prayer on Thursday morning. We know our parents will have very mixed emotions as our children return to school. Come meet some of our school families and share some time together on this important day!

We are still looking for a few additional volunteers to help with this event.

Volunteers may sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d44a4a72daaff2-boohoo>

iXI, Reading Eggs, and Online Programs

These programs are now in process of being updated and prepared for the 2017-2018 school year. Students may not be able to sign in during the next few days, as classes are moved to their new teachers. We appreciate your patience and understanding, as we make sure these programs are ready for a new school year.

Safe Environment Classes and Fingerprinting

The Diocese of St. Venice requires that all Volunteers attend a Safe Environment class and complete background screening prior to volunteering at St. Joseph Catholic School. If you are planning to assist with class parties, chaperone field trips, or assist with activities during the school year, these procedures are mandatory.

As we begin the school year, two Safe Environment Classes have been scheduled:

Thursday, August 10, 6:00 - 8:00 pm (Parish Center)

Saturday, August 12, 9:30 - 11:30 am (Parish Center)

To register, please call Bridget Olson in the Parish Office: 941-756-3732

For background check information visit our school website at www.sjsfl.org

Procedures are listed under the Parents tab – Fingerprinting Procedures

Background checks are valid for five years. The Safe Environment class only needs to be taken once.

Planning for After School Activities

Watch for information next week regarding after school activities:

- Coach Kolbe will be sending information regarding sports programs
 - Mr. Corbett will be sending information for beginning & advanced guitar classes.
 - Miss Gailliard will be inviting students to join after school music & drama programs
 - Mrs. Medlin will be inviting students to participate in violin classes.
 - Mrs. O'Reilly will be inviting students to participate Irish Dance
 - We are also arranging for after school engineering classes to begin after Labor Day
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**Middle School Students
Orientation on Thursday**

Our middle school students will begin their day, following prayer, with a special orientation on Thursday morning, August 10th, in the St. Joseph Room. All middle school students will be welcomed to the new school year, receive their schedules, and have an opportunity to meet all of their teachers before beginning classes.

LUNCH PERIODS FOR 2017 – 2018

Grades 5 – 8 11:45

Grades K – 4 12:30

(K - 4 students bring a morning snack)

- Students may bring their lunch to school or order lunch through Nutrition Kitchen.
- Students who bring their lunch should bring needed utensils and a paper towel or napkin to use during lunch.
- Please do not bring lunch items in glass containers or glass jars.
- Please do not have food delivered by outside vendors to the office or Parish Center, except in the case on an emergency.
- Parents or guardians may join their child/children for lunch. For safety, we ask all adults to check in at the school office before going to the Parish Center.

**Back to School Supply Lists are located on the school website at
www.sjsfl.org.**

Students may bring their items to school on August 9th.

**Mark your calendar and join us for the
Holy Day Mass on August 15th at 1:00 pm
with Bishop Dewane at St. Joseph Catholic Church.**

Arrival/Dismissal Procedures

Arrival

The south side of the school is for car drop-off only. No parking is allowed. The north (Parish Center) side of the school is for parents who wish to park and walk students to the classroom, or onto the grounds, in the morning.

Both the north and south side gates will be opened in the morning. After 8:00 A.M., entry is available only through the south gate and anyone entering the campus must sign in at the school office. Students and teachers have been instructed NOT to open the gates for anyone.

Please do not ask students or teachers to break this rule. It is unfair and inappropriate to have them decide who is safe and who is not.

Dismissal

The south side of the school is the sole entrance for all parents picking up students at dismissal, between 2:45 – 3:15. There is no parking during dismissal, and parents/guardians may not leave their vehicles at any time.

All families are asked to display their family name by using the hang tag provided by the school. The hang tag is to be hung from the review mirror with the family name visible.

Please follow the following procedure for picking up students during dismissal:

1. Enter parking lot via 33rd Avenue/ south entrance.
 2. Follow cone-lined route through south parking lot.
 3. Continue west to playground fence.
 4. Turn right to head north along playground driveway.
 5. Turn right to head east on roadway between school and Parish Center.
 6. Stop at north parking gate to load student passengers. They will be waiting for you with a staff member and safety patrol.
 7. After exiting the gate, turn left to follow cone-lined route through north parking lot.
 - A. To Exit to the South - Turn right at the corner of the church building, before the light, and then left at the church parking lot exit to head south onto 26th Street West.
 - B. To Exit to the East - Exit straight ahead to the light. When the light signals green, continue straight through the intersection to head east on 30th Avenue West.
 - C. To Exit to the North - Exit straight ahead, veering to the left to enter the left exit at the light. When the light signals green, turn left to head north onto 26th Street West.
- Homeroom teachers should be advised in writing if a student is to go home by a different means on a given day.
 - Students may not be picked up at any other location on campus during dismissal.
 - Parents may not park and meet students during dismissal. Parents who arrive on campus for after school conferences, and/or meetings, should plan to arrive/depart before or after dismissal.
 - For the safety of all students, no parking or entry/ of the building will be permitted between 2:45 – 3:15, since all staff members are actively engaged in a safe dismissal for all students. If you need to stop in the office, please wait until dismissal has been completed.
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St. Joseph Catholic School offers Nutrition Kitchen for Lunch!!

The benefits of a healthy school lunch don't need to be debated. **Nutrition Kitchen** has expertly developed a program of the highest quality, freshest and nutritionally sound lunches for less than you can purchase a Lunchable!

At **Nutrition Kitchen**, *WE POWER KIDS!* Your school is now offering a *complete* catered lunch for parents that want to provide a delicious meal for their children with an easy and convenient ordering system.

Quality, convenience and uncompromising high standards are what we give to parents through the optional lunch service, offering peace of mind and assisting you with an already too hectic schedule. **Nutrition Kitchen** will deliver a scrumptious and homemade meal from nationally-recognized and award-winning Chef Mac deCarle. We have also recently been nominated for Jamie Oliver's *Food Revolution Award*.

Each individually packaged, balanced and complete meal costs just **\$4.50** per lunch (most meals) and includes a vegetable and fresh fruit and a carton of milk, 100% apple juice or water. All meals are made without tree nuts and the ingredients are seasonal, local and organic whenever the option exists.

The menu and ordering process is all conveniently automated and parents can order from just one lunch to an entire month. **Nutrition Kitchen** accepts all major credit cards and has even more daily lunch selections through our convenient online ordering. Just a touch or a click away on your computer, smart phone or tablet.

Visit us at <HTTPS://NUTRITIONKITCHEN.ORDERLUNCHES.COM> to place your child's lunch order or to learn more about our sensational lunch program serving Sarasota and Manatee counties.



Purchase School Lunches Online

Ordering lunches has never been easier!

Nutrition Kitchen has partnered with Orderlunches to provide a secure, fast, and easy-to-use online ordering system that allows parents to view our lunch menu, order, prepay and manage student lunches on the web.

Registration and Ordering: Open Now

GET STARTED

New Parents

1. **GO TO:** [HTTPS://NUTRITIONKITCHEN.ORDERLUNCHES.COM](https://nutritionkitchen.orderlunches.com) - (please bookmark this page)
2. **Click on Register: The Password is: lunches1**
3. Add account, profile (s) information
4. **Sign In** - Welcome page displays with Program Info (Order Schedule, Rules etc.)
5. Click Order at Top of Navigation Bar & go to: **AUGUST**
6. Check out & pay – Please be sure to complete the check-out process. Do not close your browser prior to receiving the confirmation display or your order may be interrupted and not fully processed. Items left in your shopping cart will **NOT** be processed and your order will not be placed.

Returning Parents

1. **GO TO:** [HTTPS://NUTRITIONKITCHEN.ORDERLUNCHES.COM](https://nutritionkitchen.orderlunches.com) - (please bookmark this page)
2. Sign In with your username & password
3. Choose student that needs location, add their grade for the new school year & click “update profile”
4. If a student has graduated, select their name & click “remove profile”
5. Once all profiles are updated – Click on the Order link to begin ordering.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

- *Nutritious meals, made fresh each day*
- *Various menu choices in order to please much of the school population - vegetarian options available*
- *Fresh, locally grown produce used throughout the menu*
- *Organics used whenever the option exists.*

ORDERING SCHEDULE: the ordering/cancellation/menu change deadline is **8:00 pm Eastern Time the evening before the scheduled delivery and service date.**

Important Program Info

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

The program accepts payment by Debit Card or Credit Card: Visa, MasterCard, AmericanExpress & Discover.

Be sure to proceed to checkout and process your payment. Orders that are left in the shopping cart will NOT be processed and your student(s) will not be included in the lunch service.

Card Payments After entering your card information, ***do not close your browser prior to receiving the confirmation display or your order may be interrupted and not fully processed.*** If a confirmation page is not displayed, do not attempt to enter payment again, as this may result in duplicate charges.

NEED TO CHANGE or CANCEL YOUR ORDER?

Changes can be made during the open ordering period, meaning if the date of service has not occurred and until 6pm the evening prior. No refunds will be given, however, credits for cancellations will be applied to your next order. Once the ordering period has closed, your order is final.

FORGOT TO PLACE YOUR ORDER?

After the ordering period has closed, late orders are NOT accepted. *Note: orderlunches.com is not authorized to allow any orders after the menu has closed.*

DIETARY LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS:

Please be advised that we cannot guarantee that all allergic and lactose or gluten intolerant needs can be accommodated for each specific menu item. Please consider your child's lunch choice carefully and, if necessary, choose an optional menu item. We do not serve any tree nuts or peanuts in our menu items but we are not a nut-free facility. While we will not substitute main entree items, Nutrition Kitchen reserves the right to substitute side dish items based on availability and seasonality. For your child's safety and well-being, if your child has severe allergies and/or intolerances, we recommend parents provide a lunch from home.

CREDIT FOR A MISSED LUNCH:

Because certain ingredients are purchased in advance and menu items are cooked to order, credits cannot be given if your student misses their lunch due to illness or appointments made during lunch.

WAS THERE A MISTAKE?



If you believe there was a mistake, of any kind, with your order, please let us know by emailing gcru@verizon.net. We will investigate the potential error and use all methods available to ensure the mistake is satisfied.

BE SURE TO GET EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:

Make sure you have an email address in your profile to receive notifications including ordering reminders, important communication, confirmations, password resets AND add noreply@orderlunches.com to your email safe list.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES:

This icon-  will display for field trips and/or no lunch days, etc.

LUNCH PROGRAM QUESTIONS:

For questions regarding Food or Policy, including Missed/Late Orders, Credits, and Changes/Cancellations, please email gcru@verizon.net and we'll get back to you right away. Need a quicker answer? Call (941) 928-7619

TECHNICAL SUPPORT: If you have trouble placing an order online, please email support@orderlunches.com.

Nutrition Kitchen's August Menu

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
			Country Ham Steak Macaroni & Cheese Buttered Corn Fresh Seasonal Fruit	FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Seasoned Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit
14	15	16	17	18
Baked Ziti with Ricotta & Mozzarella Sauteed Green Beans Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Meatballs in Marinara French Bread Sweet Peas Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Chicken, Broccoli & Cheese Rice Bake Hawaiian Roll Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Beef Taco "Lasagna" Yellow Rice Corn & Pea Medley Fresh Seasonal Fruit	FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Seasoned Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit
21	22	23	24	25
Chicken Penne Alfredo Sauteed Green Beans Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Swedish Meatballs Sautéed Green Beans Mashed Potatoes Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Chicken Parmesan Hawaiian Roll Fresh Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Shepherd's Pie Yukon Mashed Potatoes Carrots & Peas Fresh Seasonal Fruit	FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Seasoned Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit
28	29	30	31	Sept. 1
Roasted Turkey & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Herbed Stuffing Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Three Cheese Penne Primavera Vegetable Medley Garlic Bread Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Beef Soft Tacos Black Beans Spanish Rice Monterey Jack Cheese Fresh Seasonal Fruit	Rustic Meatloaf Smashed Yukon Potatoes Parmesan Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit	FRIDAY PIZZA DAY! Penne Marinara Seasoned Broccoli Fresh Seasonal Fruit

Additional ala carte items and side dishes are available on the Nutrition Kitchen website.