

**ST. JOHNS LUTHERAN SCHOOL**  
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Dear Families of St. Johns Lutheran School,

It is with great excitement that we look forward to the start of our school year and the opportunity to see all our students and their families. After preparing for the school year for months, I am eager to see the school in action. The sights and sounds of the beginning of another school year entices the mind and heart. As students and parents count down the final days of summer, teachers and staff count down to the start of an adventure filled with God's grace and love.

The theme this year is "Sent to Serve"! The focus is taken from Matthew 20:28, where the Word promises, "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Lutheran schools are sent to serve. They are sent to serve children, their families, their local church and community, as well as, cultures and communities around the world. We serve because Jesus first served. Jesus came to serve as teacher and miracle worker. Jesus came to seek, save, and serve sinners. Jesus' ultimate act of service is seen in the "ransom" on the cross. Jesus came to pay for the sins of the whole world. Rejoicing in the Good News that Jesus was sent to serve, Lutheran school students, teachers, and others blessed by the school ministry are then "Sent to Serve" in His name.

The following are some highlights of which you need to be aware. Please read through them carefully, highlighting items that specifically pertain to you and your family. You will have an opportunity to turn in forms when we gather for our **Back-to-School Night (formerly known as the Open House/Registration Night) on Monday, August 31, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Each family will have 20 minutes to turn in forms, meet teachers, drop-off supplies, and get their picture taken. Please try to have forms filled out ahead of time to alleviate congestion at the School Office. There will be no large group meeting and dinner this year due to the Covid 19 virus. Please note that School Pictures will be taken during this Back-to-School Night.** With God's guidance, we can be assured of another successful school year in which our children will continue to build Spirit-filled foundations of faith in their Savior that they will take with them the rest of their lives.

Working for the Lord,  
Principal Brand  
St. Johns Lutheran Staff

Please note the following:

☒ **Annual Asbestos Notification** – Since we have some asbestos-containing material in our building, by law, we have to notify our families and staff members of its presence. The asbestos is being controlled through an asbestos management plan which is on file in the school office. This plan may be viewed during the school hours by calling 352-4671 for an appointment. It should be noted that no threat exists to the health of the students or faculty.

☒ **Athletic Fee** – The annual athletic fee for those participating in St. John’s conference sports is \$40 per player. New athletic shirts are \$15 each.

☒ **Application for Educational Benefits**

**Please NOTE** – This form is **VERY IMPORTANT**. It is entitled “Application for Educational Benefits–School Meals”. You may figure that since we don’t serve hot lunch meals, you don’t have to complete the form – **WRONG!** This is the form which the State of Minnesota’s Department of Education uses to determine the amount of money St. Johns is eligible to receive for Title I services.

- The greater the number of families that complete the form . . . .
- The greater the number of families that qualify for the aid . . . .
- The greater the amount of funds which we receive to run our Title I Program and the greater the number of students we can service.

**Information put on the form is kept private. PLEASE COMPLETE the form, put it in an envelope with your last name on the envelope, AND RETURN it to the school office.**

☒ **Car Parking** – *Thank you, parents, for the great job of using the church’s parking lot last school year* for dropping off children in the mornings and picking them up after school hours. The bus drivers and students thank you as well. *Thank you!*

☒ **Chapel Services** – Chapel services are conducted every Wednesday. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to worship with us. Note: **Our opening chapel service is Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:15 a.m.**

☒ **Communication** – **Key to Success** -- In order to have a positive, constructive school year, parents, teachers, students, and God need to **talk and listen** to each other. When concerns arise, **promptly address the issue** in a God-pleasing way **with the teacher or person involved**. **Good communication equals GREAT education.**

☒ **Educational Aid Request Forms** – St. Johns is entitled to receive aid from the State of Minnesota in the following categories and for the stated amounts per child:

<b>Textbooks, Standardized Tests</b>	<b>\$85.59</b>
<b>Pupil Health Services</b>	<b>\$83.63</b>
<b>Secondary Pupil Guidance &amp; Counseling</b>	<b>\$279.36</b>

In order to receive this aid, Educational Aid Request forms **must be completed and returned** to school **no later than Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**.

☒ **Email Addresses** –

- ☒ [brandgregorytheprincipal@gmail.com](mailto:brandgregorytheprincipal@gmail.com) – Gregory Brand
- ☒ [mrssharonmeyer@gmail.com](mailto:mrssharonmeyer@gmail.com) – Sharon Meyer
- ☒ [sjnash2001@yahoo.com](mailto:sjnash2001@yahoo.com) – Susan Nash
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☒ **Forms to Complete** –

- Application for Educational Benefits
- Textbook Aid form
- Health Services form
- **To get the textbook and health aid – complete the forms and mark YES.**
- Guidance/Counseling Services (pertains to grades 7 - 8)
- Student Health Form
- Technology Use Agreement Form

These forms must be submitted to the school office **no later than Monday, August 31<sup>st</sup>**.

- ☒ **Footwear** – Students need appropriate footwear which provides necessary support and protection while being involved in P.E., recess activities, and extra-curricular sporting activities. Parents, please be sure your child(ren) come to school with appropriate footwear – no flip-flops or sandals.



- ☒ **Illnesses** – Those with flu-like illness and or a fever should stay home for at least 24 hours after they no longer have a fever, or signs of a fever, without the use of fever-reducing medicines. **Please, allow your child to recover from the illness and do not expose healthy children and teachers at school.**

- ☒ **Involvement** – We cannot express in words how important “**parent involvement**” is in education. Your involvement in the various aspects of school life is a **MUST**.

- ☺ **VISIT** the classrooms
- ☺ **CHECK** book bags for messages.
- ☺ **CHECK** your emails daily.
- ☺ **ATTEND** school activities.
- ☺ **BECOME INVOLVED** in **P**arent **T**eacher **L**eague.
- ☺ **Christian Education** involves **parents – teachers – students – and GOD**.

- ☒ **School Pictures** – Student pictures will be taken on Monday, August 31, during the back-to-school night, from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

- ☒ **School Hours** – Please note the school times. **The times are the same as last year.**

**Kindergarten – Grade 8:**

Starting Time: 8:05 a.m.

Closing Time: 2:50 p.m.

Most Wednesdays: Closing time 1:50 p.m. (exceptions noted on calendar)



- ☒ **SCRIP** – What an awesome way to financially help support our school, and it doesn't cost you anything other than a little time. If you are not involved, please consider joining this easy way to produce third-source funding for our school. Scrip can usually be purchased after Sunday morning church service or in the school office on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays.

☒ **St. Johns Staff** –

- ☞ Kylie Tart – Preschool
- ☞ Rachel Welch – Teacher, Kindergarten and Grade 1
- ☞ Susan Nash – Teacher, Grades 2-4
- ☞ Sharon Meyer – Multiple Grade Teacher
- ☞ Gregory Brand – Principal; Teacher, Grades 5-8
- ☞ Callies Voigt – Administrative Assistant
- ☞ Rev. Michael Harman – Pastor
- ☞ Robin Breckenridge – Church Secretary

- ☞ Patrick Hofschulte – Custodian
- ☞ Bill Luce – Outdoor Custodian

☒ **Student Attendance** – Parents, it is hard for teachers to be affective with your child’s learning if your child is not in attendance. I realize it is not always possible to schedule appointments after school hours or during the summer break. If your child is going to be absent, please keep the absence as brief as possible and notify the school. Your cooperation is appreciated. Thank you!

☒ **Trash That’s CASH:**

We continue to collect the following articles of “trash” and send them in for “cash”:

- General Mill’s “**Box Tops for Education**”
- aluminum cans and scrap aluminum

☒ **Technology Fee:** Technology is a part of our everyday life. As we try to prepare our students for their futures, we encounter expenses. Constant upgrading, maintenance, and repairs have not been included as a part of the student tuition. Therefore, the Board of Christian Education has established a technology fee for each student in grades K-8. The annual technology fee structure is as follows:

**\$150 for the first child**  
**\$125 for the second child**  
**\$100 for each child after two**

Payment of these fees can be paid by the quarter, semester, or up front at the beginning of the year.

☒ **2020 – 2021 Tuition Information**

Non-member Tuition

First child	\$2,700 / year	\$300 / month
Second child	\$2,025 / year	\$225 / month
Third child	\$1,755 / year	\$195 / month
Each additional child	\$1,350 / year	\$150 / month

Member Tuition

First child	\$1,800 / year	\$200 / month
Each additional child	\$1,170 / year	\$130 / month

**Preschool:**

3- & 4-year-old (3 days/week: Mon/Wed/Fri): \$150/month (\$1,350/year)



**PRAYER** – *This is the key to all of our success. Please pray for us and with us.*

**St. Johns Lutheran School’s  
Mission Statement**

*St. Johns Lutheran School’s mission is to help parents meet the spiritual, academic, and physical needs of their children by providing a Christ-centered learning environment with emphasizes personal Christian growth, academic excellence, and service to God and community.*