



# ST. JOHN PARISH SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

August 22nd, 2022



## K-5 Parent Info Night

Our Parent Information Night will be this Thursday, August 25th from 6- 8 pm. We will begin the Performing Arts Center with a brief hello, then break into sessions in various classrooms. This will be a great opportunity to meet new teachers, hear what students will be learning this year, and ask questions if needed.

## Pickup on Kentucky St.

If you are coming to pick up your child/children on Kentucky street after school, please do not block Kentucky street while waiting to get into our parking lot. Kentucky street at 13th street has been blocked several times and has created a backup on Kentucky. We share the roads with the community of Lawrence and really do not want to create any other problems for the other drivers in Lawrence that use Kentucky street at the same time as us. If you feel that you may block the street while waiting, please go around the block or you may have to go down to 14th street to get into line. Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

## PTO Fun Run

It's almost time for the Back to School Eagle Fun Run!

**Who:** St John students and their families

**What:** Join us for drinks, dinner and a quick "Fun Run" around South Park. Bring chairs and blankets for seating, water bottles and Marathon Club badges.

**Where:** South Park

**When: Friday Sept. 9 from 6:00-7:30.** Fun Run starts at 6:00, food service at 6:30.

**Why:** Because it's FUN and counts for Marathon Club miles. You do not have to be in Marathon Club to participate.

**How:** As always, we need volunteers to make the magic happen. Sign up here to help with the food service and to keep kiddos safe on their run:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094BACAC2BA0FF2-funrun1>

## ST. JOHN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

Volunteers are the backbone of our thriving school. The camaraderie and community that is developed through serving and supporting our children, staff, and administration set our school apart from others. Please click on the link below to sign up:

<https://sjevangelist.com/school/volunteer/>

## PARENT FACEBOOK GROUPS

Each grade has a Facebook group for parents under our St. John School Facebook page. Please join to better connect with other school parents:

<https://www.facebook.com/stjohnlawrence/groups>

## VOLUNTEER NURSE

If you are a nurse or know someone who is a nurse and would be willing to volunteer some time at the school, it would be greatly appreciated. Last year, we had a retired nurse that came in to help every so often and it was greatly appreciated. Any help that you could provide Mrs. Webb would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to volunteer or had any more questions, please email [creffett@sjeagles.com](mailto:creffett@sjeagles.com)

## Room Parents

This year, we are looking for parents to help us organize our classroom parties. We are asking for two parents to volunteer as Room parents to help organize activities, ask for classroom snacks, and organize any parent help for the day. I greatly appreciate the parents that have signed up so far. If you are interested, [please refer to our link](#) for any available spots left to volunteer. Just a reminder, all volunteers will need to be Virtus trained before volunteering.

## Walker Lists and Medications Form

If you are wanting your child to walk or ride their bike home, please notify the office. You may do this by sending a note or emailing the office. You must do this each year so that we have a current list. If your child takes daily medication or has an important medication that they occasionally take, please make sure you fill out our medication form and bring in the medication for us to have in the office. We will keep this in a locked drawer for safe keeping. Please email Mrs. Webb at [office@sjeagles.com](mailto:office@sjeagles.com) if you need a current form. This also needs to be done each year.

## Google Calendar

This year we have created a Google calendar to add school events. Please [use this link](#) to add this calendar to help you follow events that will be happening this school year.

## Teacher Wish Lists

Mrs. Porch & Ms. Setter's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Fewins' [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Werth's [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Fox's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Woolverton's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Friedrich's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Ice's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Hubbard's [Wish List](#)

Ms. Domann's [Wish List](#)

Mrs. Koger's [Wish List](#)

## EMAIL ADDRESS FOR MRS. WEBB

If you are needing to contact Mrs. Webb in the school office, her email address is [office@sjeagles.com](mailto:office@sjeagles.com).

## GIRL SCOUTS

Calling all girls! Please come to the St. John Girl Scouts "Back-to-School Bash"! Friday, August 26, 6:30 - 7:30, Southpark. Come have popsicles, fun, games, & a good time!

For info contact Shari, 785-331-5797, [miss-shari@att.net](mailto:miss-shari@att.net)

## GROCERY CARDS BEING SOLD AFTER MASS

Grocery Cards will be sold after all masses on the first weekend of the month. Please bring cash or check to purchase Checkers, Merc, and H-Vee grocery cards. Sales will be set up outdoors near the north door of the church. Grocery cards are sold to you at face value, and the grocery stores donate 5-6% of sales toward St. John Parish School.

To pre-order cards, or to help sell cards, email: [noramurphy777@gmail.com](mailto:noramurphy777@gmail.com) or call 785-727-5083.

## Important Info about Virtus for Volunteers

Beginning Monday, September 19, the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas will no longer allow the online training module for: PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN FOR ADULTS. The three-hour initial training session for those new to the VIRTUS program will be required to complete this training in person only.

**Please take advantage of this convenient online option** before it goes away. This is especially helpful for all volunteers who anticipate they will be interacting with children later in the school year, such as CYO coaching, field trips, in-class projects, tutoring, lunchroom volunteer. Even if your participation won't occur until later in the year it is helpful to complete this training early.

Contact Virtus Director Meg Milburn: [mmilburn@sjevangelist.com](mailto:mmilburn@sjevangelist.com) with any questions.

## Before/After School Care

Before and After school care will be available for K-8th grade students again this year. Before school care runs from 7:00 - 8:05 each morning. After school care runs from 3:30 - 6:00 pm. The cost for Before school will be \$7 and after school will be \$10 per student. Our Director, Alex Quinn, will be at Open House on August 15th if you would like to get your kids registered on Kidcheck. If you are unable to make it to Open House and would like to get your children registered, please feel free to email Alex at [aquinn@sjeagles.com](mailto:aquinn@sjeagles.com)

## Free/Reduced Lunch Forms

Please contact the office if you need to fill out a form and were not able to attend our Locker Party or Open House. Please feel free to email Mrs. Webb at [office@sjeagles.com](mailto:office@sjeagles.com)

## Marathon Club

Marathon Club is a great way for students to get involved in running. K-8th grade students are invited to join Marathon Club. We run in South Park on Monday from 3:30-4:30 and Wednesday from 7:30-8:00 right before school starts. On Monday, everyone starts in the gym and moves to South Park. On Wednesday, they meet on the Vermont street side of the school right across from South Park. Marathon Club will begin on **August 22nd**

## ASKSTJOHN@SJEAGLES.COM

Do you have specific questions but you're not sure who to ask? Did you just think of a question but it's after office hours and you don't want to forget to ask the next morning? Well, we are here to help. We have a new email address that is available to answer your questions. If you are not sure who you should ask, please email us at [askstjohn@sjeagles.com](mailto:askstjohn@sjeagles.com) and we will direct your question to the appropriate person to help you.

## PRAYERS & THANK YOU

As we begin this school year, I want to thank everyone that worked so hard this summer to help prepare for the new school year. It takes many hands to prepare for the new year and I am grateful for all of you.  
- Mr. Reffett

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for mowing the school and church grounds.

Please keep our students and staff in your prayers as they begin the new year.

## SAVE THE DATE!



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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

*Benefit Auction*

The date for the next St. John Benefit Auction has been set. Please mark

**November 12, 2022** on your calendars. We look forward to seeing you there

## Parent Engagement Meeting

This year we will be asking parents to join us for an engagement meeting to share valuable information about the school. We are asking that this meeting be attended by all parents. Parents will be required to attend one of the meeting dates: September 20th, 21st, or 22nd from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Performing Arts Center (PAC).

## Lunchroom Servers

This year we are looking for more and more ways to help develop Servant Leadership within our students. We will work to do this in many ways through the school year. One way we will do this is through our cafeteria helpers during lunchtime. This year, we will have all students 4th-8th grade take turns helping in the cafeteria. By giving of their time, we will reinforce the importance of volunteering, helping others, and helping the school. With everyone helping out, it will ultimately mean everyone contributes and no one will miss very much class time through the school year.

## Calendar: August/September

22 Marathon Club – 3:30-4:30	23	24 Marathon Club – 7:30-8:00	25 Mass - 4A K-5 Parent Info Night 6pm-8pm	26	27 28
29 Marathon Club – 3:30-4:30	30 Core Team Meeting-7pm	31 Marathon Club – 7:30-8:00	1 Mass - 8B Middle School Parent Info Night 6om-8:00pm	2	3 4
5 No School - Labor Day	6 No School - Professional Development Day	7 Marathon Club – 7:30-8:00	8	9 PTO Fun Run - 6pm-7:30pm	10 11

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## Mass Celebrations

**Daily Masses:** Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m.,  
Saturday - 8:00 a.m.

**Weekend Masses:** 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday - 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. Spanish,  
5:00 p.m.

**Reconciliation:** Wednesday - 11:00 a.m. - Noon;  
Saturday - 3-4 p.m.; By appt only

## Bulletin

Here is the latest bulletin: <https://parishesonline.com/organization/st-john-the-evangelist-catholic-church>

## St. John's Oktoberfest

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4 PM -  
10 PM

1234 Kentucky St  
St. John Parking Lot

German Music  
Provided by  
Festhaus-Musikanten

Please join us for all our favorites: Bierocks, Schnitzel, Bratwurst, Cabbage Rolls, Potato Salad, Sauerkraut.



## Yard Sale Donations Needed

A yard sale on Friday, Sept. 9 from 8 to noon; and Saturday, Sept. 10 from 8 to 2 at 705 Mississippi St will generate funds to help pay off the loan for the school gymnasium and parish office construction! Please sort through your belongings and set aside items to donate to this yard sale. Items can be dropped off on the front porch the day before the sale. (We cannot manage big furniture or truckloads of items). Leftover items will be handled thoughtfully. Call Nora Murphy at (785) 727-5083, or e-mail: [noramurphy777@gmail.com](mailto:noramurphy777@gmail.com) for more info or to volunteer to help with the sale. Thank you!

## Small Emmaus Groups

Small Groups are an opportunity to connect with others while growing in your Catholic Faith. These groups are a place to receive encouragement, knowledge of faith and develop strong community connections! Groups will vary, meeting once a week at church, in homes, even restaurants, or other locations throughout the city. Some might look like a Bible Study, Book Club, Social Gatherings, Hobby Sharing or Community Service Activities! Contact Suzy Novotny, call/text or email: [snovotny47@gmail.com](mailto:snovotny47@gmail.com), (785) 550-8357 if you have any questions, want to participate or lead a group.

## Parish Picnic

Please join us at the Parish Picnic on **October 16th at Broken Arrow Park**. More details coming soon.