

Dear Families-

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year – we're glad you're here!!! Our school office will be open from 8:30 am-3:00 p.m Monday through Friday, August 4th - Aug 15th. Normal office hours (7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) will begin August 18th. Please stop in between August 4th- Aug 18th to pick up your "Family Envelope", which contains important paperwork for the new school year.

We would like to welcome our new staff members: Mrs. Cassandra Schenck (Preschool Aide), Mrs. Angy Allison (K), Mr. Brandon Huston (4th), Mrs. Katina Roberts (5th), Mr. Andrew Wilson (7th), Mr. Paul Wisden (8th), and Mr. Jordan Taylor (PE). We are so excited to have them join our school community.

If you are interested in volunteering during the school year in any capacity please follow the directions on the attached SafeParish Document then contact Mel McWilliams in the parish office for a Fastrax Token! If these requirements aren't met you will be unable to volunteer in any capacity. Her contact info is 937-254-6233 or mel.mcwilliams@sthelenparish.org

Planning is underway for the 2025 St. Helen PTO Christmas Bazaar. We are excited to be back again this year, please mark your calendars for Saturday, December 6th. If you are interested in joining the Christmas Bazaar leadership team please contact Tatihana Santos or Amy Comer at sthelenchristmasbazaar@gmail.com. Priority registration for craft vendors will be open for St. Helen school families starting in July! If you would like to register for the 2025 bazaar please contact Tatihana at sthelenchristmasbazaar@gmail.com.

Some up-coming events include:

- * Tentatively scheduled (if it needs to be changed or canceled we'll send a message out) Saturday & Sunday, August 2nd & 3rd Used uniform sale 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Please contact Sara Slack (sara.slack1986@gmail.com) to volunteer. The location will be the Smith Building (it is the building to the right of the parking lot if you are facing the flag pole/same side of the parking lot as the school office. Please note the used uniform is cash or check only!
- * Monday, August 4th Family Envelopes available for pick up
- * Saturday, August 16th Class lists posted on the outside door of the Main Office Doors.
- * Sunday, August 17th Orientations for PreK and Kindergarten school families. We will have two different sessions. The first from 6:30-7:30 p.m which will be held in English. The second from 7:30-8:30 pm will be held in Spanish.. This will be for adults only. Preschool & kindergarten families please bring only your child's copy paper, wipes, paper towels and tissues. All other supplies should be brought the first day of school.
- *Tuesday, August 19th, Meet the Teacher 6:30 p.m-7:30 p.m. Preschool- gr.3 classrooms are located in the Church basement and gr. 4-8 classrooms are in the Main Building. Please come to "Meet the Teacher" and classmates! There is no formal presentation at this event- you are simply free to come and check out your child's classroom and meet your child's teacher/other classmates.
- New uniform sale in the Smith Building 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
- PE Uniform Information: Uniforms can be ordered through Tuffy Brooks (link on our website).
- * Thursday August 21st. School starts for all of our students, Preschool through grade 8, first bell is at 7:55 a.m.; drop off begins at 7:35 a.m. Breakfast will not be available until Monday, Aug 25th.

The K-8 school handbook has been uploaded to the school website. Please go on and read it. There will be a form in the family envelope to sign off stating you have read it and agree to follow school policies.

Please visit our school webpage (https://www.sainthelenschool.org/). You will especially want to check the CURRENT FAMILIES section of the website where you'll find the calendars, menus, and other important items. Please make sure we have the most accurate email address on file. Please don't hesitate



to reach out to your child's teacher or email a member of the administration team (<u>cwalters@sainthelenschool.org</u> or <u>cweimer@sainthelenschool.org</u>) with any questions or concerns. Please pray for our students, faculty, and families daily!

Blessings,

Chrissy Walters, Principal

Carol Weimer, Assistant Principal