

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the SJHA Family Association, it is our pleasure to welcome you back to the 2018-2019 school year.

Please review the following: Family Association Calendar of Events (with associated chairpersons), Class Representative listing for each grade, and a volunteer signup sheet.

These items will also be available on our school website.

You will have the opportunity to meet our Family Association Executive Council and volunteers at the annual Meet the Teacher Night and General Meeting on September 12th.

The Family Association is a volunteer organization that has been an integral part of St. Joseph Hill Academy Elementary school for many years. Our primary objective is to organize activities and events that promote camaraderie and school spirit amongst the children and their parents. Some of these events are sponsored by our principal Mr. Hansen, while others act as fundraisers to help us accomplish capital improvements in our school and help to keep tuition increases to a minimum. Recent capital improvements that benefit each and every child include but are not limited to:

- air conditioning in the 4th floor gym (2017)
- seamless WiFi access throughout the school building (summer 2017)
- new gym equipment for Girardi Field and gym classes (summer 2017) and 2018)
- new technology equipment for classrooms and technology lab (ongoing)
- renovations and upgrades to the technology lab (summer 2018)
- classroom furniture and improvements (ongoing)
- new play yard installation and equipment (summer 2018)

It is our pleasure to announce that the funds raised in 2017-2018 were used to refinish the 4th floor gym hardwood that now proudly and beautifully displays our school crest in its center. Additionally, as mentioned above, a spectacular new play yard, complete with several slides and fun equipment has been constructed for outdoor recreation. This new play yard will also have two new portable basketball hoops for use during recess time. Inside our school changes can be seen throughout. A full renovation has taken place to convert our computer lab into a technology center, complete with new flooring, desks and stools, as well as equipment to house new technology and devices.

Along with our principal, Mr. Hansen, we are hopeful you will enjoy what we have in store for you this coming year.

It is our hope that everyone can participate in some of these events throughout the school year. Participation benefits our entire school community; whether you can attend the event, donate financially, volunteer your time, or simply support our endeavor, we greatly appreciate it. These events help make the St. Joseph Hill Elementary community everything it is today.

The Executive Council members are always available for you, so please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

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Wishing you all a successful new school year!

With much appreciation,
Jennifer, Rose, Silvana and Nicole