



Welcome back to the 2019-20 School Year and a very warm welcome to all of our new St. Theresa School Families!

Dear STS Parents,

I hope that you and your family enjoyed a fun and relaxing summer and are ready to start a new year of Christian Scholarship here at St. Theresa School! We are very excited to see all of you at the upcoming parent meetings and on the first day of school!

The information below covers the parent nights, Curriculum Night for Parents K-8, and the first day of school. This is a lengthy email, so please be certain to read all the way to the end so you have everything covered. If you have any questions about anything, please don't hesitate to [contact Mrs. Soby](#) in the school office and she will be happy to help you out.

In order to give you more time with your child(ren)'s teachers, I am once again sending you my back to school message on video. Please watch for it in your email on Friday, August 16.

We also ask that you please not bring children (other than infants) to Preschool or Curriculum Night so we can have the time to be grownups together and that the kids can all see the building at the same time on Wednesday. I know this can be a challenge for you, but it will give you the time you need to focus on what you are seeing and hearing on these nights.

PRESCHOOL PARENT NIGHT

Monday, August 19 at 7:00 pm in your child's classroom

Preschool parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's teacher, see the classrooms, and review important preschool information. Representatives from the Parents Association, STEP (before/after school program,) MTC, Mrs. Zielinski (tuition) and the school nurse, Mrs. Montrie, will also be in attendance. Please park in the Benton Lot or Dolan Lot and enter through Doors 1 or 2 and proceed directly to your child's classroom. *Again, please remember, this is for parents only - no children other than infants are allowed at this meeting!*

In addition to meeting your child's teacher, you will also have the opportunity to:

- Learn about volunteer opportunities
- Turn in forms
- View STS Special Lunch Menus
- See the school nurse, Mrs. Montrie

K-8th PARENT CURRICULUM NIGHT!

Tuesday, August 20 (2 sessions) at 3:30 and 6:00 pm

On Curriculum Night you can visit with your child(ren)'s teachers and go to O'Brien Hall to sign up for the many after school activities, order spiritwear, and find out all the fun the Parents Association has in store for us this year. There are two identical sessions - one at 3:30 pm and a repeat session at 6:00 pm. This allows families with multiple children to see all their children's teachers as well as complete the necessary sign ups. Please park in the Dolan or Benton lot and enter through either Doors 1 or 2. *Again, please*

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In addition to hearing the principal and meeting your child(ren)'s teachers, you will also have the opportunity to:

- Learn about volunteer opportunities
- Learn about co-curricular activities
- Visit the Used Uniform Room
- View STS Special Lunch Menus
- Turn in forms
- See the school nurse, Mrs. Montrie
- AND FINALLY-- Give yourself a big break and not cook dinner tonight! That's right-- our first Dine & Share of the school year is at Chipotle 781 E. Dundee Road in Palatine from 4:00-8:00 pm on Tuesday, August 20th. So come to Curriculum Night and plan a dinner at Chipotle with the family and 33% of the proceeds comes right back at our school! [Click here for the flyer!](#)

MEET THE TEACHER DAY

Wednesday, August 21 from 7:30-11:00 am

All students and their parents come to school on Wednesday with their school supplies to meet their teacher and put away their supplies. Students will have the opportunity to organize themselves in their classroom and see their new classrooms. Parents have the opportunity to walk their child(ren) to class and meet and mingle with the other parents. Please park in either the Dolan or Benton lot and enter through either Doors 1 or 2. No uniforms are required for this day, uniforms start on Thursday, August 22! **Please note: this is a required attendance day for K-8th grade (we will take attendance on Wednesday, August 21!)** It is optional but strongly encouraged for preschool! Come when it is convenient between 7:30-11:00 am and Meet the Teacher!

STEP

[Please click here for some very informative and detailed STEP Information for the 2019-20 school year!](#)

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

To volunteer in any area at St. Theresa School (including in your child(ren)'s classroom), there are policies that are enforced by the Archdiocese that everyone must follow in order to volunteer.

[Click here for a list of all the requirements.](#)

You are highly encouraged to attend the School Safety Seminar for all Volunteers & Interested Parents on Monday, August 19 from 9:00 am-Noon in O'Brien Hall here at our school.

Thank you for keeping all of our students safe!

FORMS, FORMS, AND MORE FORMS!

Towards the end of this email is a link to click on and will direct you to our school website. You will find the below listed forms in our [STS Digital Backpack Page](#) on our school website:

Master Parent to do List!

[Click here for the Master Parent to do List!](#) This is a link filled with a bucketful of detailed information that parents will find very helpful. Please read the information in the link thoroughly!

Welcome from the Parents Association!

Welcome Back Letter from the Parents Association President
Curriculum Night and Meet the Teacher/Book Day Checklist
Parents Association Membership Form ***Join and pay on-line!**

STS Office and Teacher Forms

Student After School Plan *(please submit this form to your child's teacher on Meet the Teacher day)*
Photo/Academic Work Consent Form ***Only fill out this form if you do not give permission/consent.**

Student Lunch Options

Wednesday Special Lunch Menu and Order Form ***coming soon-order and pay online!**

2019-20 STS Yearbook & Birthday Book Club

Yearbook Order Information ***Order your yearbook and pay online!**

STS Birthday Book Club Form ***Sign-up and pay online!**

Support our Athletic programs at STS!

STS Athletic Association-Become a Member Form ***Become a member and pay on-line!**

Does your child love to sing? Join a Choir at STS!

Watch for an email from Mr. Slater soon with info about STS choirs!

St. Theresa Parish Children's Choir-Sign-up Form

Altar Serving Opportunity

Altar Server (Grades 4-8) Training/Sign-up Form

Funeral Altar Server-Permission Form

Support our Parish and School Community

Trot for Theresa Registration Form ***Register and pay on-line!**

Remember to Dine & Share on Tuesday, August 20th at Chipotle 781 Dundee Rd in Palatine 4-8:00 pm

And, finally.... sign-up to help at STS!

Volunteer Opportunities STS-Sign-up

[Click here for the full STS Digital Backpack Page!](#)

MISCELLANEOUS

UNIFORMS: [Click here for St. Theresa School Uniform Guidelines \(including the PE Uniform\)](#) If you have ordered uniforms from Dennis and you have not received them, no worries-- they are probably on their way. Should you not receive the uniforms by the 1st day of Uniforms (Thursday, August 22, Kindergarten-Grade 8), please have your child wear nice/casual clothes (no jeans) until the arrival of your new uniforms. Please check out our "Used Uniform Store" in the lower level of the school. Often times-- families have found uniforms in great shape at our Used Uniform Store. If your uniform will not arrive for several weeks, please contact [Mrs. Soby](#).

BUS ASSIGNMENTS: If you requested a bus in the spring, you will receive your child's bus route in their homeroom on Preschool Orientation or Curriculum Night. If you have not requested a bus route or need to change your request, please contact [Mrs. Soby](#). Please know that any new bus route requests or changes will not have immediate results, as our school depends on District 15 Transportation to add or change bus routes.

SUMMER STUDY: Hope you are up to date on your summer study so your brains are aware and ready for the 1st day of school on August 21. [Click here for the full summer study.](#)

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: If you have ordered a school supply kit, you will find the kits in your child(ren)'s classroom on Meet the Teacher day. If you still need to order school supplies, [click here for the list.](#)

PARKING: Please remember to park in either Dolan or Benton lots and enter through either Door 1 or Door 2!

SCHOOLRUSH: SchoolRush is scheduled to be up VERY SOON! New STS families-- please watch your email for an invitation from SchoolRush to join our St. Theresa SchoolRush network. In the mean time, if you have not done so already, please download the SchoolRush app (please be sure you ALLOW NOTIFICATIONS when prompted) onto your smart device so you are ready to go when you receive the invite. You will not be able to log in until they invite you...stay tuned!

SEND YOUR SUMMER PICTURES: We are collecting pictures of your summer adventures for display during lunches in O'Brien Hall. Please send one or two pictures of your kids' summer adventures to the Principal, Mary Keenley, at pictures@sttheresaschool.com. Please put your last name in the subject line and attach the pictures in the email. Please send the pics in as high resolution as possible - if you are sending them directly from a phone or mobile device, please send them "actual size." These pics will be up for the kids during lunch during the first week of school.

CALENDAR: The full [school calendar](#) is up on the website and will be in SchoolRush as well. They are GCal based and fully synchable with your personal calendar if you choose!

You made it thru the end of this email! Thank you for taking the time to do so! We look forward to seeing all the parents on Preschool Night and Curriculum Night and everyone together on Meet the Teacher!

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Enza Soby at esoby@sttheresaschool.com