



May 24, 2019

Dear Parents,

It is really hard to believe that this school year is coming to a close and that summer is fast approaching! However, we all need to prepare and be ready for the upcoming 2019–20 school year!

Below is important information you will need for Summer Study and to be ready to go for the upcoming school year. Much more information is to come, but this is a general overview. Please make note of some special key due dates. Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Soby in the school office (847–359–1820) if you have any questions!

Parent To Do List

A comprehensive list is prepared below of all the things that need to get done in preparation for the start of the 2019–20 school year. Please note all medical forms (physicals, exams, etc.) are due by August 20 on Curriculum Night to Mrs. Montrie. Please be sure your child has the proper appointment so that s/he can be in compliance at the start of school.

[Click here for the master Parent To Do List](#)

Class Placement

You will be notified of your K–7th grade student's placement for next year in a letter given to the students at the end of the day on Friday, May 31. Students entering grades Kindergarten–8 will meet their new teachers on "Moving Up Day" Wednesday, June 5 at 8:00–8:45 am.

Calendar

The 2019–20 calendar is already live on the *website* and SchoolRush.

[Click here for the basic calendar for 2019–20](#)

Uniforms

A few minor changes to the uniform for next year:

- Gym uniforms are available on the STS online store. Place orders by August 7, 2019 for pick-up at Curriculum Night and Meet the Teacher day.
- You may also place your STS spiritwear online!
- Fleece jackets are available through Dennis Uniform and should be ordered through their website.

Some reminders:

- Green polos must be dark/hunter green, not kelly/Notre Dame green

[Click this link for uniform requirements](#)
[Click here for Dennis Uniform's Shopping Guide](#)
[Click here for Dennis Uniform's website](#) (STS code is GTHEV)

Summer Study

It's summer and time to relax but not time to decay! Students will have various summer study activities which will enhance their studies in the fall and help keep their young minds fresh during the summer months. Students will receive their summer study packets on *Moving Up Day* and they will be posted on the website as well.

Our required summer study program for 2019–20 is as follows:

Summer Reading: All students entering Preschool 3 through 8th grade will have summer reading goals and activities set for the summer. Summer reading will consist of required reading and suggested titles for additional reading. The texts used in our

program can be counted for participation in the *Palatine Public Library summer reading program* so be sure to enroll in that program as well! This reading is designed so it will not conflict with any planned vacations or other summer activities. Particularly for the older students, most required texts will be available in book, ebook, and audio format.

Summer Elocution: Students will be required to learn and recite from memory one–two short pieces – one from literature or a primary source and one from Scripture or prayer. Students will be asked to recite their pieces during the first weeks of school. The goal is to learn by memorizing and be able to confidently recite from memory in front of classmates.

Summer Math: Students entering grades 1–3 will have assignments on the app XTRA Math. They will be logged in here at school and the login information will be in their Moving Up Day packet. Grades 4–8 will be trying something different this year. Each grade will receive a list of topics they need to show mastery of in August. The topics will be listed along with a number of links to review and quizzing resources. Students will be expected to show mastery of these topics when they return in August.

Summer Keyboarding (Grades 4–8): Students in grades 4–8 are expected to possess mastery of the keyboard and of basic touch typing skills. The goal is to use the touch typing method with at least 85% accuracy. Students are expected to practice proper home row hand placement and the elements of touch typing on Typing.com – daily is best, but at least consistently throughout the summer so they can reach the 85% proficiency goal. Mr. Tuntland will introduce typing.com and set up students' accounts in class.

Other Things You Need to Do:

Bus Transportation Form DUE BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 29!

Complete this form to request bus service to and/or from school in 2019–20. **This form must be returned by Wednesday, May 29 to Mrs. Enza Soby in the school office or your child will not have bus service in August and September.** District 15 Transportation will not accept late bus requests beyond the due date. Please note that you only need to complete this form if you are requesting bus service. If you are NOT requesting bus service, please do not complete this form!

Smart Tuition

Make sure your Smart Tuition account is set up with the correct banking accounts and active by July 1.

S.T.E.P. Information and Registration Forms

Registration for S.T.E.P. (St. Theresa Extended Day Program) is available for new families only. Current families please contact Mrs. Pfaller with any questions or concerns. These forms are due by August 20.

Medical, Dental Forms, and Emergency Forms

Kindergarten, 2nd Graders and 6th Graders: All entering kindergarten and 6th grade students must have the required immunization, physical, and other medical forms on file by Curriculum Night, Tuesday, August 20. 2nd Graders must have a dental exam and form submitted by Curriculum Night, Tuesday, August 20. ***Students may not attend school*** until these forms have been filed. Please be sure you have spoken with your pediatrician and/or dentist to make the proper appointments for your child! Please contact Mrs. Montrie if you have any questions or are having difficulty scheduling an appointment.

Clicking on the above link will prompt you to our school website with information on medical form requirements which include, physical examinations, dental examinations and immunization requirements for various grade levels, STS Emergency Form (to be filled out for every new student/family), etc. Please open this link and read it carefully, as it provides you with pertinent information regarding medical forms that must be submitted by Curriculum Night, Tuesday, August 20 to the school nurse, to be allowed to begin the 2019–20 school year.

School Supplies ONLINE ORDERS DUE BY JUNE 16

K-8th grade students can order supply kits online. Save time and with quality products and teacher approved school supplies. Order your supply kit online by June 16. If you wish to purchase your supplies on your own, click on the link below for the master list.

[Click here to Order School Supplies Online \(K-8th only\)](#)

[Click here for the master supply list to purchase on your own!](#)

Reminder about keeping our children safe:

All volunteers who have contact with students at school or at school-related activities, including class activities, lunch duty, coaching, chaperone field trips, etc. must complete VIRTUS certification and a criminal background check. Each year, all adults must also complete a DCFS CANTS form and a Code of Conduct acknowledgement form. These will be available at Preschool orientation and Curriculum Night in August.

No adult will be allowed contact with students unless s/he is in complete compliance with this policy so we encourage you to complete these steps prior to the start of school in August! All forms and links are on the [STS Website-Parent tab](#) and [VIRTUS Training](#) and are due by "Meet the Teacher Day" on August 21.

*Have a great summer and I look forward to seeing everyone
in August for an exciting 2019-20!
MaryJ. Keenley, Principal*



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