

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy summer! Thank you for your patience, flexibility, and understanding as we navigated this school year together. I'm so proud of our entire school community – faculty, staff, students, parents, and anyone else who supported us/cheered us on throughout the year. We did it!

#### Volunteers Needed

If you have a high school student in need of service hours, we have **a lot** of projects happening this summer that we would love some help with – heavy lifting, organization, cleaning, assembling, etc. Please have him/her reach out to me via email. :)

#### Mentor Families Needed

We are thrilled to be adding many new families to our community for the upcoming school year. Please email me if you are interested in being a mentor family (I have eight volunteers on my list so far from the Home and School survey.)

Responsibilities include:

- Sending an email or make a phone call to introduce yourself to the family before the end of the school year.
- Telling/Reminding families of important summer/school year dates – a detailed list calendar is linked under 2022 – 2023 school year information below.
- Reach out to family before school-wide events (conferences, concerts, breaks, celebration weeks, etc.) to see if they have questions. :)

#### Desks Available

There are many old desks currently outside of the loading dock at the school. You are welcome to grab one (or some). :)

#### Summer Main Office Hours

Mrs. Watters will work Monday, June 6 – Thursday, June 30 from 7am – 3pm.

I will work (at minimum) Monday – Thursday from 9am – 1pm all summer. Mrs. Lone and I are attending a conference in Charlotte, North Carolina the last week of June. My family and I are going to the north shore of Lake Superior the last week of July. Otherwise, I will be around. :)

#### Summer 2022 Tutoring

The following teachers are interested/willing to tutor students this summer:

Jane Brown (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher): 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade reading/writing or mathematics

Missy Waller (4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher): 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading/writing or 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics

Please reach out to them via email if you are interested.

#### Monday, June 6: Report Cards

Report cards, including third trimester grades, will be available on Monday, June 6.

### Sunday, June 12: School Supply Order Deadline

Ordering is now available for Back to School Supply Packages for the 2022-2023 school year. This is an **optional** program for school families. All orders will be placed online and shipped directly to your home in early August before school starts.

#### **To place an order:**

- 1) Please visit: <https://www.educationalproducts.com/shoppacks/>
  - 2) Enter our school ID: STA158
  - 3) Follow the directions to complete your order.
- \*Make sure to order the supply pack for your student's grade level for the 2022-2023 school year.
- 4) Keep your order confirmation as your receipt.

Please remember to cross-reference the school supply lists for additional items that are not included in pre-packaged supply boxes such as rest towels, extra sets of uniform clothing, backpacks, optional purchase items, etc.

### [Parent Overview Video](#)

### Monday, June 13 – Friday, June 17: Marvelous Miracles Vacation Bible School

St. Augustin and St. Theresa parishes are sponsoring vacation bible school with the Dominican sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist. Vacation bible school will run June 13 – 17 from 8:30-11:30am and will be at St. Theresa Parish Hall. It is for students entering first – fifth grade in this fall.

Register at: <https://forms.gle/L5Te1js8KXZkRpGt5>

### Wednesday, June 15: New Additional CTO New Deadline

CTO has added an additional 'deadline' for applications, which means we will have 3 rounds of awards. The *new* 2<sup>nd</sup> round deadline is June 15 and 3<sup>rd</sup> round deadline is July 31.

Please click [here](#) if you are interested in applying for CTO financial aid. Our school code is 450. The password is cto450.

### Sunday, June 26: Pool Party

St. Augustin Home & School is sponsoring a Pool Party for new and current families on Sunday, June 26 from 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Families are welcome to bring their own food and drinks.

### Saturday, August 27: Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools

In honor of Bishop Joensen's passion for education, we invite you to join us for the inaugural Bishop's Celebration of Catholic Schools on August 27, 2022, in Indianola, Iowa. This event unites the entire Diocese of Des Moines community in celebration of the life-changing impact our faith-centered education has provided for more than 120 years. During the event, the diocese will recognize special honorees, educators, administrators, and volunteers for their impact on our Catholic schools. Click [here](#) to nominate a Catholic school educator, administrator, or volunteer.

### St. Augustin Catholic School Adoration Hour

Please join our St. Augustin School Community for one hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament to pray for our school, our parish, our teachers, our staff, and our students. Take this opportunity to grow in your spiritual life and see what happens! Thursdays from 2-3 p.m. the Home & School Service Committee invites members to share an hour with Jesus in our Adoration Chapel at St. Augustin Church. Please sign up for your hour [here](#).

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## 2022 – 2023 School Year Information

### List Calendar

Please click [here](#) to access the list calendar for the upcoming school year. There are lots of important dates to get on your calendars now! :)

### Personnel Updates

#### **School Counselor**

Mrs. Mikenzi Darrow has accepted a position as a high school counselor and advisor at an online charter school based out of New Hampshire.

Mrs. Josie Jensen (Josie Sickels until this summer :) has accepted this position.

#### **Middle School Mathematics**

Mrs. Jordan Blackburn has accepted the assistant principal position at St. Pius X Catholic School for the upcoming school year.

This position is currently posted on Teachlowa.org.

#### **Second Grade**

Ms. Jen Brinkman has accepted a position within Des Moines Public Schools.

Ms. Caroline Cataldo, our current math resource/enrichment teacher, will be switching roles and teaching second grade.

#### **K-8 Resource/Enrichment**

Ms. Caroline Cataldo is switching roles for the upcoming school year.

This position is currently posted on Teachlowa.org.

#### **Physical Education**

Mr. Zach Larimer has accepted a position at Boone High School.

This position is currently posted on Teachlowa.org.

#### **Lunch Director**

Mrs. Pam Moore is retiring at the end of the school year.

Mrs. Tina Carter has accepted this position.

\*\*If you are interested (or know someone who is interested) in working part-time in the lunch room for the upcoming school year, please email me (or ask them to reach out to me).

### 2022 – 2023 Extended Care Information

Ms. Megan Lone will be our Extended Care Director for the upcoming school year after some restructuring.

The hours of operation of extended care on school days will be 7am - 8:15am and 3pm - 6pm.

Below are the extended care rates for the upcoming school year.

#### **Before Care Only**

First Child: \$120/month

Each Additional Child: \$70

#### **After Care Only**

First Child: \$230/month

Each Additional Child: \$135

#### **Before and After Care**

First Child: \$290

Each Additional Child: \$170

Our capacity for after school care is 45 students.

Our capacity for before school care is 15 students.

If you are interested in enrolling your child **full time** in either program (or for Before and After Care), please complete the Google Form linked [here](#). If you plan to do drop in care, please do not fill out the form at this time.

### 2022 – 2023 PD Care Survey

We are considering offering care on our professional development days from 7am - 5pm for \$40/child if there is enough interest: September 26, October 17, November 11, January 16, February 20, April 11, and May 5. If this is something you would be interested in, please complete the Google Form linked [here](#).

### 2022 – 2023 School Year Aftercare Employees

We are hiring aftercare employees for the upcoming school year. This would be a great part-time job for high school students interested in the teaching field (or anyone who enjoys working with children). The hours are 3:00pm – 6:00pm. We will work with student availability on particular days, if needed. Pay rate is \$13/hour.

Please email Ms. Megan Lone ([mlone@staugustinschool.org](mailto:mlone@staugustinschool.org)) or feel free to share her email with someone who is interested.

### Into Math

St. Augustin Catholic School is adopting a new math resource for kindergarten – eighth grade for the 2022 – 2023 school year. After reviewing the materials and speaking with a sales representative, we are

excited for this change! Sacred Heart is also adopting this resource for the upcoming school year; we look forward to collaborating with them, as well.

### JMC

We are transitioning to a new Student Information System (SIS) this summer. We will no longer use PowerSchool; we will instead use JMC.

### 2022 – 2023 Enrollment Numbers

AM PreK: 20 (full)

PM PreK: 12

AM TK: 17

PM TK: 20 (full)

K: 30 (full)

1: 30 (full)

2: 23

3: 25

4: 30 (full)

5: 25

6: 24

7: 25

8: 34 (full)

I hope you have a wonderful summer! :)

With gratitude and love,

Mrs. Spike