Dear Parents and Guardians,

Where has the school year gone!? I hope you have a wonderful Memorial Day weekend. A reminder that there is no school on Monday, May 26.

PreK/TK Playground Trinket Collection

We are excited to share that our PreK/TK teachers are developing an outdoor trinket and building play space on the playground for the 2025-2026 school year.

As you begin your spring cleaning and tidy up your garages this summer, please keep us in mind for any donations of outdoor play materials. We are looking for items such as muffin tins, fairy garden materials, hot wheel cars, spool tables, a wooden mud kitchen, small tree stumps for chairs, play figures, plastic dinosaurs and animals, chalk, and building blocks (like Legos and Duplos).

Please let Mrs. Smith (<u>lsmith@staugustinschool.org</u>) or Mrs. Simmons (<u>asimmons@staugustinschool.org</u>) know if you plan to drop off items in the office! Thank you for your continued support. Your contributions will help create a wonderful play space for our children.

FAST Testing

All kindergarten - 8th grade students have FAST scores from our spring test administration in their take home folders or backpacks. Please click <u>here</u> for a link to more in depth information on the testing.

Weekly Highlight: Mrs. Hull's 5th Grade Classroom

For our final week in science, fifth graders have been studying gravity and why it is so different on other planets and moons. They completed an activity where they recorded their jump height here on Earth. We then used information from other planets and moons that described how many times more or less the gravity was at that location. Students then calculated their jump heights by multiplying or dividing their jump height on Earth. After graphing the results, they determined that the size of the planet or moon directly affected the gravitational pull and jump height.

Piano Lessons

St. Augustin alumni and Dowling Catholic High School graduate, Veronica Smith, is offering piano lessons this summer. Please click <u>here</u> for more information.

Summer Tutoring

Please click <u>here</u> if you are interested in signing up for summer tutoring with one of our teachers.

Wednesday, May 28: Student Medication - Follow Up Required

The end of the school year is almost here. If your child has medication stored in the nurse's office, please let Mrs. Campos (pcampos@staugustinschool.org) know if you would like to:

- 1. Pick up the medication from the office.
- 2. Have the medication sent home with your student.
- 3. Keep the medication in the office for next year's use (if not expired).

We are still in search of a lunchroom director, as well as a full-time PreK associate for the upcoming school year.

Wednesday, May 28: Last Day of School for our K-7th Grade Classes

The last day of school for the remaining St. Augustin Catholic School students is Wednesday, May 28. School will dismiss at 12pm.

Ice cream treats will be provided on the back playground by our Home and School Association. If you plan to stay, it may be a good idea to park on a side street or at the Church. Please be sure that you are not blocking the car line.

Friday, May 30: 25-26 Home and School Association Survey Deadline

The Home & School Association is made up of all parents and guardians with children at St. Augustin School. The mission is to fundraise money that directly supports the school in order to supplement academic programs, give teacher and classroom support, and fund projects that benefit our children. Additionally, Home & School provides opportunities to build relationships within our school community.

The best way to make this association strong is to volunteer. We encourage you to review the survey linked <u>here</u> and fill it out. Please select all things that interest you. This survey is not a formal commitment. We will be in contact over the summer to ensure you find the role(s) that work best for you.

Sunday, June 1: St. Augustin Corpus Christi Procession

Everyone is invited to join for a musical prelude in the Church at 3:30pm; the Corpus Christi Procession will begin at 4:00pm. Dinner will follow in the Parish Hall.

All who received their 1st Communion this year are invited to come in their ceremonial clothing. Golf carts will be available to anyone who needs assistance in the procession.

Sunday, June 15: School Supply Order Deadline

Ordering is now available for Back to School Supply Packages for the 2025-2026 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 2025-2026 school year.

- 4) Keep your order confirmation as your receipt.
- 5) Your order will be mailed directly to your home address.

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 30: ESA Application Deadline

The ESA application for the 2025 - 2026 school year is open.

The Des Moines Region Catholic School Tuition Management Team is fully equipped to handle this process from beginning to end for all of the Region schools.

Parents may contact the team's new phone number and group email address below for assistance: 515-333-4860 or tuitionmgmt@dmrcs.org.

The ESA application deadline is June 30, 2025; it can be accessed at the link below: https://iowa-households.withodyssey.com/login/

25-26 School Uniform Orders

If you are interested in ordering school uniform sweatshirts, polos, fleece, spirit wear, and gym uniforms (6th - 8th grade only), please visit <u>https://staugustinschooldsm.spiritsale.com</u>

The order deadline is July 21, 2025 for guaranteed delivery at the school supply drop off event on August 20. Orders placed after July 21 will be delivered directly to the school the first week in September. Shipping options are now available for all online orders.

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Facility Request Form

Please complete the form linked <u>here</u> to request our school facility use. This form helps us to determine what paperwork is necessary.

DCHS Camp/Club Information

DCHS Bound Summer Camps: <u>Info Linked Here</u> CFL Registration: <u>CFL Open Registration</u> DCVC Tryout Information: <u>Flyer Linked Here</u> Maroon Basketball Club K-2 Info Sign Up: <u>Info Linked Here</u> Maroon Basketball Club Tryout Info: <u>Flyer Linked Here</u>

Thank you!

Mrs. Spike