

STATE OF THE SCHOOL 2021



162 DAYS OF SCHOOL!

THANKFUL FOR OUR SUPER HERO TEACHERS, STAFF, & FAMILIES!



954 STUDENT SERVICE HOURS



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BACKPACK PROJECT: 258

ENROLLMENT INCREASE!



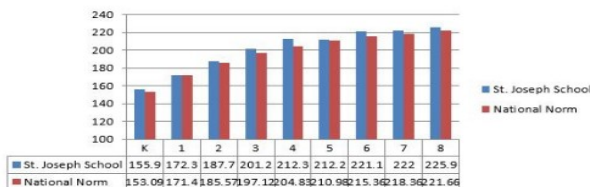
2885 HONOR SLIPS AWARDED!

MAP SCORES

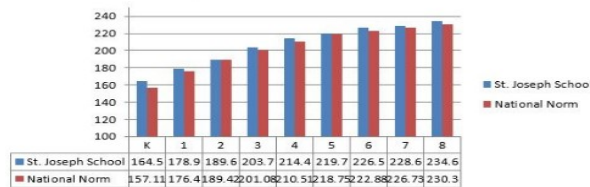


St. Joseph School students consistently exceed the national norms in reading and math.

St. Joseph School Spring 2020-21 Reading MAP Results Compared to National Norms



St. Joseph School Spring 2020-21 Math MAP Results Compared to National Norms



Increased outdoor learning opportunities and daily recess for all students!



Link to our SJS Strategic Plan <https://school.stjosephcommunity.org/download/s/strategic-plan-updated-6-10-2020/>

FUNDRAISING = \$153,859

WE EXCEEDED OUR GOAL BY \$74,000!



We received additional state and federal COVID grants that helped us successfully facilitate in-person learning.



Green Wave

June 3, 2021

Heads Up

Thursday, June 3 (Day 3)

9:40AM

All School Awards Assembly
Livestream details to come!

6:00PM

Preschool graduation, church

June 4 (Day 4)

Last day of school!

All School Field Day!

OUTDOOR Dismissal at 2:30PM

No afternoon ESC!

No afternoon bussing!

Looking Ahead!

Thursday, August 12

New Student Orientation

Packet Pick-up

School Pictures

Wednesday, September 1

Welcome Back Night

Tuesday, September 7

First Day of School

Field Day is TOMORROW!!!

Be sure to have your student wear their class color!

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

EPIC FIELD DAY

RELAYS - CONTESTS - GAMES - WATER BALLOONS - OBSTACLE COURSE - RACES

5TH-8TH GRADES COLOR RUN

CLASS COLORS

PRESCHOOL	GRAY
KINDERGARTEN	BLUE
1 ST GRADE	RED
2 ND GRADE	PURPLE
3 RD GRADE	GREEN
4 TH GRADE	PINK
5 TH GRADE	WHITE
6 TH GRADE	YELLOW
7 TH GRADE	ORANGE
8 TH GRADE	BLACK

ALL GRADES

- WEAR YOUR CLASS COLOR
- APPLY SUNSCREEN
- FILL YOUR WATER BOTTLE
- WEAR ATHLETIC SHOES
- BRING A HAT & SUNGLASSES

BRING A TOWEL & BAG

OPTIONAL: A WHITE T-SHIRT

Friday, June 4,
2021:

No PM Bus Service
or PM ESC

All students, K-8, will be ready
for pickup at 2:30pm. Families
are asked to park and walk up
to the grassy field to pick up
your student.





It's time to celebrate the beginning of flight with the viewing of the St. Joseph Spring Musical, "Wright! Celebrate the Beginning of Flight". Many thanks to Dann Hurlbert for videotaping the performance. The [video](#) is on the [St. Joseph School YouTube](#) page.

Does your son or daughter currently in grades 4—7 (grades 5—8 in the fall) like soccer? We are looking ahead to the fall to see what our numbers look like for signing up for the St. Joseph School soccer team! Check out the [form](#) to indicate your interest! Thank you!

St. Joseph School year end lunch money policy

At the end of the school year, money in lunch accounts with students in grade K-7 will be carried over to the next school year. Because lunch accounts are family accounts, families with students graduating will have the monies from the graduating students remain in the account. For accounts that are below \$0.00, your TADS account will be charged to bring the account to \$0. At the end of the school year, money in accounts of students leaving St. Joseph School will be refunded to families if greater than \$10. For lunch accounts between \$5 and \$10, St. Joseph School must receive written notice from the school family by June 15 of the school year ending to have money refunded. For accounts less than \$3, money will be transferred to the general lunch program. Thank you!

[The 2020-2021 Awards Ceremony](#) is uploaded to the [St. Joseph School YouTube](#) page! We are proud of our students!

The last day to check out books from the school library was May 27. All books not returned by June 1 will be assessed \$10 for a book that is lost or defaced or the replacement cost, whichever is higher. Please see the school handbook for further details.

Parents:

If your K-8 student has medication in the nurse's office, please plan to pick this up on the last day of school from the Main Office.

This summer, the Aim Higher Foundation will offer additional \$1,000 scholarships for students to attend a Catholic School!

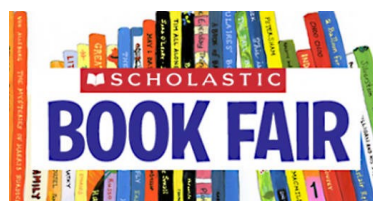
The summer application opens June 1.
Contact us for more information!



Are you looking to have your child, ages 12 and up, vaccinated for COVID? There are many options available!

- Walgreens has many options, including weekends and walk in appointments! Contact the [store manager](#) for details!
- Dakota County Public Health will be hosting a mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinic on Monday, June 21 from 3:30pm-6pm. Please register at the [Dakota County website](#).
- Check out the [Vaccine Connector](#) website!

“Thank you” to all who supported our school Book Fair! It was a HUGE success! We will receive over \$3000 worth of library and classroom books and our “Scholastic News” classroom magazines.



Thank you so much!
Paula Krekelberg



STAFF APPRECIATION BBQ LUNCH

Monday, June 7

Please remember to bring in
Staff Lunch donations by
FRIDAY, June 4.

Thank You!

Thank you
to those
who have
signed up to
support the
Staff
Lunch.
Please
remember
to bring in
your
donations
by Friday,
June 4 or
Monday,
June 7
before
12pm.
Thank you!!

Order your yearbook today!

Visit ybpay.lifetouch.com

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Order Deadline:

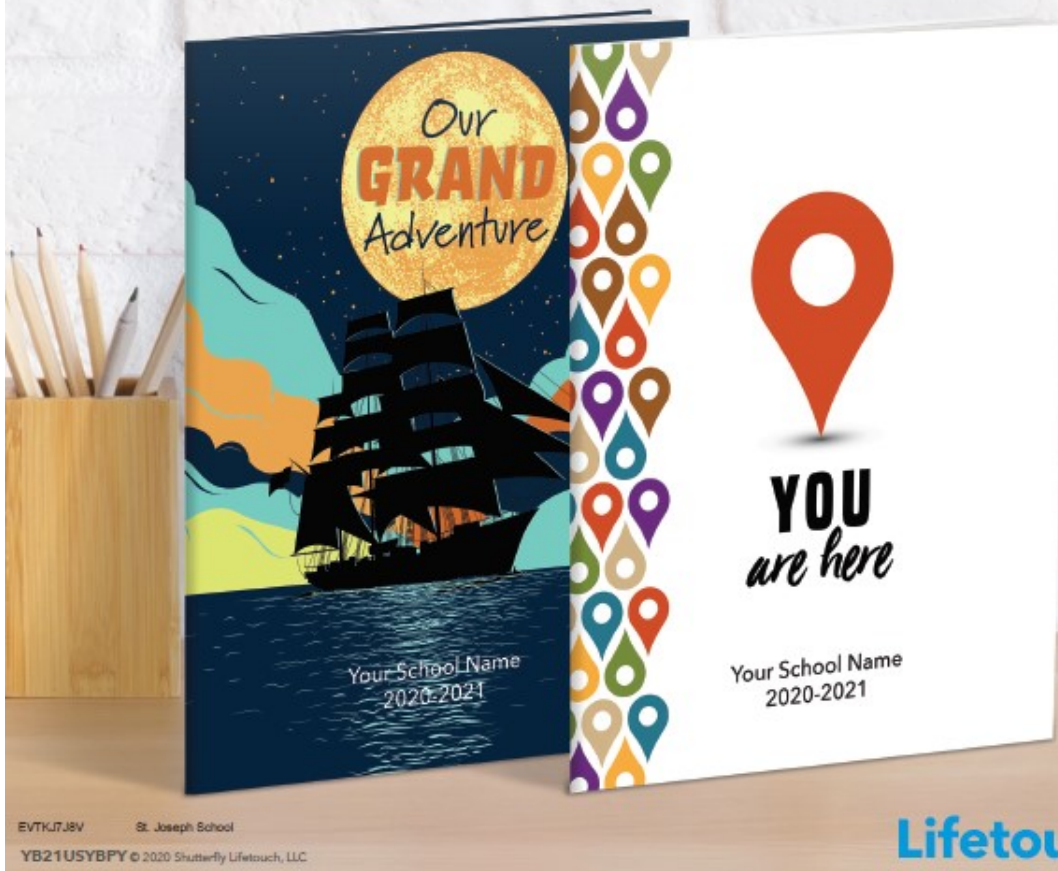
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It's been a memorable year, celebrate with a 2020-2021 yearbook! All classes are featured in the yearbook, even preschool! Remember current events with the insert option when ordering! Yearbooks will arrive in the summer and will be available at Welcome Back Night in August. If a family leaves St. Joseph School prior to yearbook arrival, the yearbook will be mailed to them.

All orders must be placed online! The flyer that was sent home was informational only. Thank you!

2021-2022 St. Joseph School and Faithful Beginnings Advance Calendar

(Please note: the below dates and events are subject to change)

Updated June 2, 2021

Summer TBD	Used Uniform Sale
August 12	3-7:00 p.m. – New Student Orientation, school pictures & school packet pick up, school gym
August 26	All Staff Retreat (morning), New Staff Orientation (afternoon)
Aug. 30-31, Sept. 1	Teacher In-service Days
Sept. 1	Welcome Back Night, 4-7:00 p.m.
Sept. 6	Labor Day - NO SCHOOL PreK - 8
Sept. 7	First Day of School - NON BUSING DAY
Sept. 8	Bussing starts
Sept. 16	Opening of School Mass (K – 8)
Sept. 16	Parent Information Night, REQUIRED OF ALL PARENTS
Oct. TBD	Long Lake retreat for 7th and 8th grade
Oct. 2 & 3	Church of St. Joseph Parish Harvest Fest!
Oct. 8	NON-BUSING DAY for K - 8
Oct. 20	Picture retakes
Oct. 21 & 22	NO SCHOOL, MEA Break K – 8, PreK/ESC Childcare Days
Oct. 26	CSCOE Mass of the Holy Spirit, grades 4-8
Nov. 1 & 2	Parent/Teacher Conferences (PreK – 8)
Nov. 4 & 5	NO SCHOOL K – 8, PreK/ESC Childcare Days
Nov. 24	Grandparent's Day, Dismissal at 11:30 (no PM Childcare for Preschool or ESC)
Nov. 25 & 26	NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Vacation, PreK – 8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
Dec. 2	End of Trimester 1
Dec. 3	NO SCHOOL, Teacher Workshop Day PreK-8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
Dec. 16	Christmas Musical, 1:00p.m. and 7:00p.m. (Grades PreK – 4) in church
Dec. 17	Last day of school before break
Dec. 20-31	NO SCHOOL, Christmas Vacation, PreK – 8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
Jan. 3	School Resumes
Jan. 17	Martin Luther King Day - No School K – 8, PreK/ESC Childcare Day
Jan. 21	NON-BUSING DAY for K - 8
Jan. 30	Open House, Registration for New Families for 2022-2023 Achievement Fair
Jan. 30-Feb. 5	Catholic Schools Week
Feb. 7 & 8	Parent/Teacher Conferences (PreK – 8)
Feb. 10 & 11	NO SCHOOL K – 8, PreK/ESC Childcare Days
Feb. 21	President's Day – NO SCHOOL K – 8, PreK/ESC Childcare Day
March 2	Ash Wednesday Mass
March 10	End of Trimester 2

March 11	NO SCHOOL, Teacher Workshop Day PreK-8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
Mar. 21 – 25	NO SCHOOL, Spring Vacation. PreK – 8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
March 28	School resumes
April TBD	8th grade retreat in Nisswa
April TBD	UW Stout Early Childhood Conference, (will be a Friday in April) NO SCHOOL FOR PRESCHOOL ONLY
April 15	NO SCHOOL PreK-8, GOOD FRIDAY, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
April 17	EASTER SUNDAY
April 18	NO SCHOOL PreK-8, Easter Monday, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
April 22	NON-BUSING DAY for K - 8
May 6	May Crowning, 8th grade pictures to follow
May 19	New Family Welcome Night & Kindergarten Orientation
May 26	Spring Concert, 1:00p.m. and 7:00p.m. (Grades 5 – 8)
May 30	NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day PreK – 8, NO CHILDCARE PRE-K/ESC
June 3	Last day for PreK and 8th grade students
June 5	8th grade Graduation at 12:30 PM Mass
June 7	All School Awards Assembly
June 8	Last Day of School for K-7! Dismissal at 11:30
June 9	Teacher Workshop Day

COVID-19 Self-Screening Morning Checklist updated 9/14/2020

Your child MUST stay home if they have a least one symptom from this list:

- Fever (temperature 100.4°F or higher) no fever-reducing medications on board
- New cough, or a cough gets worse
- Difficulty or trouble breathing
- New loss of taste or smell

Your child MUST stay home if they have at least two symptoms from this list, even if no symptoms from the first list above are present:

- Sore Throat
- Nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
- Chills
- Muscle pain
- Excessive fatigue
- New or severe headache
- New nasal congestion or runny nose
- Has your child, or anyone you have been in close contact with, been diagnosed with COVID-19, AND/OR been placed on quarantine for possible contact with COVID-19?

If you reply YES to any of the questions in the checklist, stay home, follow the school procedures for calling in your sick child, and contact your healthcare provider.

When to Return to School after COVID-19

Saint Joseph School will follow the CDC's guidelines for returning to school following COVID-19:

***Scenario #1:** If a student has or likely has COVID-19 **and is showing symptoms**, they should not return to school until:

- 24 hours with no fever **and**
- Respiratory symptoms have improved (e.g. cough, shortness of breath) **and**
- 10 days have passed since symptoms first appeared

***Scenario #2:** If a student tested positive for COVID-19 but **is NOT showing symptoms**, they may not return to school until:

- 10 days have passed since positive test

***Scenario #3:** If a student starts showing symptoms **after** receiving a positive test result, they should then follow the guidelines for Scenario #1

***Scenario #4:** If a student has been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 (within 6 feet of him/her for at least 15 minutes, had direct physical contact, shared eating or drinking utensils with, or came into contact with respiratory droplets) the student should stay home for 14 days **after exposure** and will be directed to contact their child's primary healthcare provider.

COVID-19 Attendance Guide for Parents and Families is a resource from the Minnesota Department of Health. Use this guide to understand when your child can attend school during this pandemic.

Family Page

Sunday Readings and Backgrounds Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Reading I : Exodus 24:3-8

God has made a covenant with us.

- The reading from Exodus is the story of the sealing of the Sinai covenant.
- The Sinai covenant was sealed with two ceremonies: a meal and a blood rite.
- Each of these signified the sharing of life.

Reading II : Hebrews 9:11-15

We will receive the promise of eternal salvation.

- The author of the Letter to the Hebrews points out the difference between the old and new covenants.
- Christ's blood was shed to reconcile and reunite humans and God.
- Jesus is the bond of the new covenant.

Gospel : Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

He took break, blessed and broke it.

- The Gospel tells the story of the sealing of the new covenant.
- Mark associates the cup of wine with the blood covenant of old.
- At the Passover supper, Jesus shares a cup of wine with all the disciples.
- It is the true sign of the shared blood that seals the covenant.

Activities of the Week

Choose one of the following activities as a way to further reflect on the Sunday readings:

- To celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord, share with your child remembrances of his or her First Communion day. If your child has not yet received the Sacrament, talk about what that day will mean for him or her.
- Hum a few bars of your favorite hymn about Jesus' Body and Blood and have the members of your family try to guess the song. Sing together a Eucharist song the family knows.
- Using plain paper place mats have your family sit together at the dinner table and design a place mat for each person. Decorate each place mat with a symbol of the Eucharist.
- As a family, prepare a meal in which each person helps in the preparation. Talk about what each person contributed. Before eating the meal, say a prayer to thank God for all God's gifts and to ask God's blessing on all.

