



August 31, 2020

Dear Parents,

Happy First Day! We feel blessed to see so many happy students- both in person learners and distance learners today. Thank you for your prayers and support as we celebrate the launch of the new school year.

Here's the Scoop

First Day Recap

- Thank you for completing the daily Wellness Form for each child in the school as we are checking
- The morning drop off went well with all the extra hands assisting with traffic and temperature checks. Thank you for your patience as we continue this new routine.
- As we experienced some connectivity issues today, we are working to resolve these minor problems for our distance learners.
- New and returning students were engaged and seemed happy to back in school!
- We appreciate your patience with afternoon dismissal. Dismissal lasted longer than expected due to technical issues with the intercom, we had spoken with the phone contractors earlier in the day and are working on a solution. Beginning Tuesday, September 1st we will enact a new procedure for dismissal.
- Mrs. Karen Murphy, assistant superintendent in Archdiocese of Baltimore, spent her day among staff and students at SJRCS.
- Teachers enjoyed seeing the distance learners during the rainy parade. Thank you for visiting!

Updated Dismissal Procedures

- Thank you for making a family sign with last name, each child and grade.
- We will use the same parking formation as today- church and school lots.
- Parents with students in grades 5-8 only will go to the church lot, using stadium parking.
- Parents with students in grades K-4 will go to the school lot, using stadium parking.
- We will be dismissing students by classroom cohorts (homerooms) versus by family.
- Students will exit by their designated school door and meet you at the car.
- Teachers/staff members will be walking down the sidewalk to you.

Check List (In-Person Students)

Check List for In-Person Students (due NOW)

- Sign AOB

- Acknowledgement Risk Form (School Admin)
- Sign AOB COVID-19 Protocols (School Admin)
- Complete all financial documents (FACTS) Contact Mrs. Jill Buls for more information jbuls@sjrcs.org
- Immunizations (new students, kindergarten, and grade 7)
- View Chromebook Training (see www.sjrcs.org Parent Tab, Fall Opening Information) by Wednesday, August 26.
- Sign Chromebook Agreement and Optional Insurance (School Admin)
- Sign Acceptable Use Agreement for Technology (School Admin)

Procedures (In-Person Learners)

- On Tuesday morning, please complete a wellness form for each child. These forms will be emailed to you each morning.
- In the carpool line, staff members will check that the Student Wellness Form has been completed for each child (required for admittance).
- Please follow the traffic pattern (see attached diagram). Any cards with pre-kindergarten students must be in the pre-kindergarten line (see signs on campus). For pre-kindergarten students, temperatures will be recorded per Maryland's Early Childhood protocols.
- For other grade levels, please go the car line according to your oldest child (see signs on campus).
- Staff members will be prepared to take each child's temperature in the car.
- The temperature must be under 100.4 degrees in order to enter the building.
- To expediate the arrival and dismissal procedure, please make a sign with your family's last name in the front windshield.
- As a reminder, the front door will be used by grades 5-8 students only. The corner door will be the entrance/exit for students in grades 2, 3, and 4. The primary door (with pillars) will be used for students in preschool, kindergarten, and grade 1.

Check List (Distance Learners)

Check List for Distance Learning Students before FIRST DAY of school

- Complete all financial documents (FACTS) Contact Mrs. Jill Buls for more information jbuls@sjrcs.org
- Immunizations (new students, kindergarten, and grade 7)
- View Chromebook Training (see www.sjrcs.org Parent Tab, Fall Opening Information) by Wednesday, August 26.
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Google Classrooms (Distance Learners)

Students will need to check Google classroom in order to see daily academic instructions. Please contact your child's teacher for questions or information.

Special Area Classes (Distance Learners)

Special area teachers will be instructing in an asynchronous model this week. Please look for your assignments in Google Classroom.

SJRCS Reopening Plan v2

Our SJRCS Reopening Plan v2 has been posted on the front page of our website www.sjrccs.org

Important Forms

The Archdiocese of Baltimore requests all student families to review and electronically sign the following two documents for each student located in your School Admin account **ASAP**.

Here is the School Admin link: https://sjrccs.schooladminonline.com/users/sign_in

1. Assumption of Risk Statement
2. Parent Acknowledgement and Agreement Regarding COVID-19 Protocols

Summer Packet

Also, the Summer Packet is available on our website www.sjrccs.org under the “Parent Tab”. The summer packet contains the updated school calendar, technology information, supply lists, Home and School Association (H.S.A.) information, Wildcat Café Information, Aftercare Information, Golf Tournament, School Grounds Clean-Up Day, Friends of Catholic Education, and Virtual Story Time for Tots. Check it out!

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Assessments

- Your child needs to wear a mask but does not need to wear a uniform.
- Please drive to the primary wing when your child is scheduled for his or her assessment.
- You will be met by your child’s teacher or instructional assistant.
- All school supplies should be brought to school at the assessment time.
- Please be sure to write your child’s name on everything (permanent black marker).
- The teacher or instructional assistant will walk your child to the car.
- As we are getting to know your child, please remain on the campus during your child’s assessment.

COVID-19 Protocols

Our wonderful school nurse, Mrs. Lisa Kaempfer, has been working on school safety and numerous medical details. If you would like to be considered for the school nurse’s sub list, please contact Mrs. Kaempfer lkaempfer@sjrccs.org. Mrs. Kaempfer has asked that all parents read Appendix A (see SJRCS reopening Guidance v2) for clarity regarding a potential COVID-19 case at school. As a reminder, if one child has a temperature in the car, all students in the car will need to go home for self-monitoring and be cleared by a doctor. Immunizations for new students, kindergarten students, and grade 7 students must be completed by the first day of school.

Calendar

Monday August 31- Friday, September 4

- Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4 and Kindergarten students will be given an assessment during this week.
- Parents of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students: Please use this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4FABAA2C7-prekindergarten> to schedule an

assessment for your child during the week of August 31- September 4. Their first week of school will begin on Tuesday, September 8

Monday, September 7

- No School- Labor Day

Tuesday, September 8

- First day of School (PreK 3, PreK 4, Kindergarten) Welcome!

We look forward to welcoming pre-kindergarten and kindergarten on Tuesday, September 8.

In the light of Christ,

Dr. Jones and Mrs. Hanner

