



Dear Parents of:

St. John Regional Catholic School uses electronic media and websites as part of its curriculum to enhance your child's learning. Students will learn how to use these websites during class. We are excited as this represents an important step in our digital learning plan towards teaching 21<sup>st</sup>-century skills to all students.

#### Electronic Media and Online resources used at SJRCS

- **Google Classroom** - SJRCS will be using Google Classroom to *communicate homework*. Classroom is a secure learning network for teachers and student to connect, share content, access homework, and receive class information. Google Classroom does have email notification options for parents. Details how to receive email invitations will be sent home in the Friday Folder following back to school night. An app is available for use on mobile devices.
- **Google Drive/Docs** – create and store documents, tables, forms, drawings, slide shows, and spreadsheets. Students can develop an e-portfolio of work throughout their years at school.
- **Discovery Education** - - Discovery Education is our school's primary science resource for grades K-8. Students in Grades 6, 7 & 8 have access to Discovery Education's Social Studies and Science Techbook, a digital textbook using inquiry-based approach to enhance literacy and critical thinking skills.
- **Math** – Students in K-8 have access to online math materials from the McGraw Hill series, Connect Ed.
- **Seesaw** - a secure online *private* journal where students can document and reflect on what they are learning in class via photos, videos, worksheets, drawings, and voice recordings. Parent connection invitations will be sent home in the Friday Folder following back to school night.
- **ThinkCentral** – Student in Grades 2-6 have access to online materials for the Journeys reading program.
- **Voyages In English** – Student in Grades 7 & 8 have access to online materials for the Loyola Press Grammar program.
- **My School Bucks** – Online payment service provides parents the ability to securely pay for meals, and school purchases. Add your student to your parent account using their school name and Student ID: «Student\_ID» ([www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com))

Please note that all of these websites are password protected with school assigned user ID's and passwords. Students receive pre-assigned usernames and passwords at the beginning of the school year that allows them to log in to all of their accounts and complete class assignments. Please do not change your child's username and password, as it leads to confusion while using the resources during school. For your convenience, here is a list of your student's logins and websites for your reference.

Google Classroom/Drive/Docs – **All Grades** ([classroom.google.com](http://classroom.google.com))

Username:

Password:

Discovery Education – **Grades K-8** ([google.discoveryeducation.com](http://google.discoveryeducation.com))

Username & Password: Same as Google Login

Math – **Grades K-8** ([connected.mcgraw-hill.com](http://connected.mcgraw-hill.com))

Username:

Password:

SeeSaw – **All Grades** ([app.seesaw.me](http://app.seesaw.me))

Username & Password: Same as Google Login

ThinkCentral - **Grades 2-6** (<http://www-k6.thinkcentral.com>)

Username:

Password:

Voyages in English – **Grades 7 & 8** (<https://digital.loyolapress.com>)

Username:

Password:

Thank you for your support as we move forward with 21st-century teaching and learning at St. John Regional Catholic Schools. I encourage you to review the reference guides posted in Parent Portal and attached to the C5 email regarding these online programs.

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