



HOLY CHILDHOOD
OF JESUS SCHOOL

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A Note From Mrs. Yarber

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! This year is already shaping up to be a year of growth and new adventure. We are excited to welcome over twenty new families to the Holy Childhood School community.

I am overjoyed to be joining this amazing school. Over the last month I have grown a great appreciation for the supportive, encouraging, and positive environment of our school.

I truly cannot wait to meet each and every student and family!

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New Faculty at HCS

We are excited to have the following educators and office staff join the HCS community for the 2021-2022 school year.

- Mrs. Catherine Cease-Flores - ELA grades 6th-8th
- Mr. Joshua Patriquin - Music, Band, and Technology 5th-8th
- Mrs. Micki Bradley - Technology K-4th
- Mrs. Patti Van Ness - School Nurse

Did You Know?

Mascoutah School District #19 established early release days each Wednesday and has adjusted the bus routes.

With these changes, Holy Childhood School will be adjusting our beginning and ending times.

7:50 am- 2:50 am (M, Tu, Th, F)
7:50 am- 1:50 pm (W)

The buses will drop students off at HCS around 7:40 and will pick up at 2:30 (M, Tu, Th, F) and 1:30 on Wednesdays.

School Health

Kindergarten: School physical, proof of immunizations, vision exam, and dental exam

2nd Grade: Dental exam

6th grade: School physical, proof of immunizations, and dental exam

Sports Physicals must be done yearly for all students involved in sports.

Failure to provide a school physical or proof of immunization will result in exclusion from school until the appropriate health records are provided.

*Please see the note in your open house packet for more details from our school nurse.

Picture day will be held, **Monday September 20th and Tuesday September 21st**. All students will have their photograph taken regardless of purchasing a picture pack. Order forms will be sent home closer to picture day.

Masks & Social Distancing:

The Governor has issued a state Mandate for all PreK-12 schools to wear masks. Please send your student with a mask to school.

- Masks must be worn by all students during bus transportation.
- We will strive to provide at least three feet of social distance in classrooms and other areas. This will not always be possible.
- We will eat lunch in the cafeteria and play outside, mask free, for recess.

Lunch Information

The USDA has announced that schools can offer lunch meals at no cost* during the 2021-2022 school year.

* This does not include milks for students who choose to purchase a milk for their sack lunch.

*If students order an extra entree, they will be charged a fee of \$1.75.

Dates to Remember

Aug 11 - Open House

Aug 17 - Classes begin -
Dismissal @ 10:30 for bus riders and 10:50 for non-bus riders

Aug 18 - Early release -
Dismissal @ 1:30 for bus riders and 1:50 for non-bus riders

Aug 18 - School board meeting

Aug 25 - Early release

Aug 27 - Church Fish Fry (ALL students need to bring a sack lunch and drink)

Aug 28 - Church Picnic

Aug 30 - (ALL students need to bring a sack lunch and drink)

Sept 1 - Early release

Sept 6 - Labor Day - No School

Sept 8 - Early release

Sept 10 - Golf tournament

Sept 15 - Early release

Sept 20 & 21 - Picture Day

Sept 22 - Early release

Sept 27- Oct 1 - IOWA Assessments

Sept 29 - Early release

Oct 6 - Early release

Oct 8 - End of first quarter

Chromebooks

HCS is 1:1 in grades 3rd thru 8th grade. Kindergarten thru 2nd grade will share Chromebooks.

6th- 8th grade students will be taking their Chromebooks home each night. Chromebooks will need to be charged each night.

From a memorial donation in memory of Lenora Schulte, our 6th -8th grade students will all have new cases.

Lanyard Information

This year our students will be wearing lanyards to indicate that he or she is symptom free.

Please check your child's temperature each morning and ask questions regarding symptoms. By wearing the lanyard into school, you are signifying your student is symptom free.



Volunteer Shout Out



“Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.” | Luke 6:38

HCS Thrives because of the massive amount of volunteerism that generations of families have put into our school.

John Grawitch amplifies the definition of a volunteer. Throughout the pandemic he helped HCS transition into the technology savvy school we have become. He is our sole provider of all technology needs and problems that arise. Over this summer he has volunteered hundreds of hours to help re-image Chromebooks, setting up Smartboards, programming, networks, printers, and countless hours helping in the transition of the church’s technology needs. These services are truly just the tip of the iceberg of what Mr. Grawitch does for our students, faculty, and parish.

He is truly a blessing for our Holy Childhood School community. We are extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated volunteer.

Mr. John Grawitch, thank you for everything you have done and continue to do to help keep the technology at HCS running!!!!



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