

Welcome Back!!!



The mission of Sacred Heart School is to promote life-long learning and Christ centered values in a Catholic setting.

PARENT MEETING
Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 p.m.

School Supplies/Technology Fee

Student supplies for the classroom were ordered by the office. **The only items you will need to purchase for the first day of school are tennis shoes and a backpack.** You will receive the cost for the supplies in your family folder. This fee can be paid the first week of school. The supply fee for students will be \$25. We hope you find this a convenient alternative to finding the necessary materials yourself.

We will need to begin charging a technology fee this school year. The fee will be \$50 per family. This fee will cover management of devices purchased for students at Sacred Heart School.

Sacred Heart School Dress Code

1. Children should be dressed in clean, modest, weather appropriate clothing.
2. Students should not wear pants with holes in them.
3. Children should not wear short skirts, short shorts, halter tops, tube tops, midriff tops, and tops with spaghetti straps, see through mesh shirts, or muscle shirts that expose the upper torso.
4. T-shirts with offensive messages are not appropriate.
5. Belly buttons should not be showing.
6. No spike jewelry.
7. Children should not wear hats in the school building.
8. Students must wear socks and shoes/sandals that cover or strap around the entire foot. Sandals that slip on without straps, flip-flops, clogs, etc. will not be permitted. Consider heel height when purchasing shoes for children. Tennis shoes are always best for school.
9. Non-skid tennis shoes are required for physical education and playground activities.
10. Parents should make sure to use particular discretion when children will be attending Mass or performing in school programs.

All students must wear masks to school each day during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Back to School Message from Mrs. Dahle

We are grateful for the ability to bring our students back to school. We have learned that a meaningful Catholic education, for young learners, is less effective when physically separated from peers and teachers. These relationships develop most profoundly when our community can interact, learn, and pray together. We hope you will understand that returning to the classroom is the first step in our return to school. We hope you will understand that our days will look different and we will not be able to offer all services at the start of the school year.

Minnesota Catholic Bishops and Catholic Superintendents have announced that all Catholic schools will reopen this fall. The **COVID-19 Preparedness Guidance: A Path for Students' Return to School Fall 2020** will be our guide to start the new school year. Priests, principals, Bishop Quinn and Marsha Stenzel the Superintendent for the Diocese of Winona-Rochester met on July 28, to discuss the document and policies for the start of school.

Father The' and I will hold a meeting for parents in the Church on **Wednesday, August 26, at 7:00 p.m.** to distribute family folders, and communicate the guidelines/protocol for starting the new school year.

Our first day of school for all students preschool through fourth grade will be Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

We appreciate your support, prayers and grace as we enter into this school year!
LeAnn Dahle, Principal

Sacred Heart School Teaching and Support Staff for 2020-2021

I am pleased to announce our teaching staff for the 2020-2021 school year. The preschool teachers this year will be Kathy Petracek, Joslyn Sutton, Emily Kramer, and Krista Kramer. Our kindergarten teachers will be Carol Omtvedt, and Desyre Klindworth. The first grade teacher will be Yvette Randall. Our second grade teachers will be Kelsey Deason and Marijo Fischer. The third grade teacher will be Tara Steffel. Due to COVID-19, our fourth grade teachers will be Jennifer Kugath and Chris Dahle. Jennifer Kugath will be our Media and Intervention teacher as restrictions are lifted. Joel Hayford will be our new Physical Education teacher, Susan Poeping will be our Music teacher and Marlys Froehle is hired by the public school to provide Title I services to students.

I am also pleased to announce our support staff for this school year. Our education assistants will be Janell Hesch, Julie Conway, Carol Tollefson, Agnieszka Sucharska, Laura Schmitz, and Emily Bartz. Carly Broughten is the school administrative assistant, Marya Eustice is the food service director, Lonnie Kuhns the assistant cook, Brad Bartz the parish/school custodian, Neil Berg the school custodian. Cindy Rieck is hired by the public school to serve as our school nurse.

School Lunch Program

Lunch prices for the 2020-2021 school year will be: students \$2.95, adults \$3.95, and milk for cold lunches will be 50 cents. We encourage families to read the information on free and reduced lunches for students found in the family folder you will receive at the Parent Meeting on Wednesday, August 26, at 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart School receives federal and state funding for our school based on the number of free and reduced lunches served during the school year. Families who qualify for free/reduced lunches is confidential information. We encourage you to deposit money into your child/ren's lunch account the first week of school. We use the "offer vs. serve" plan in our school lunch program. As many as six items may be offered, but a student needs only to select three items. We highly encourage the students to eat the three items they select. Students will have two lunch choices each day. The choices consist of a hot lunch and an alternate lunch. You will find the specific food items offered for the two choices on the monthly lunch menus. By providing a choice we hope students will eat school lunch. Our school earns federal dollars for the lunch program based on our student lunch count each month. With the implementation of our new wellness policy, students will always have the choice of hot vegetables or fresh vegetables each day. We will also provide fresh fruit as often as possible. Lunch menus may be accessed on our school website.

www.sacredheartschoolwaseca.com

Before/After School Care

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and protocols for reopening we will not provide before and after school care for students.

We will need this time daily to clean and sanitize classrooms, restrooms and hallways for the start of each school day.

Our plan is to resume SHARP as soon as it seems reasonable.

Staggered Drop Off/Pick Up Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and protocols. We will stagger our drop off and pick up times each day. We will utilize your families last name and the following times.

A-K 7:30 a.m./2:45 p.m.

L-Z 7:45 a.m./3:00 p.m.

Bussing for students has not yet been determined by the district.