

St. John's Students and Parents,



Three powerful words will unite tens of thousands of Lutheran School students this year as they come back to school in the fall! “**REAL.PRESENT.GOD.**” This is the theme of our school year. These three simple words will also be the focus of chapel talks, Jesus time, daily religion and weekly worship in our school. **REAL.PRESENT.GOD.** summarizes the

Psalm of the Reformation, Psalm 46. “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble” (Psalm 46:1).

The only real God, the Triune God, is truly present in the person of Jesus. The only real God, the Triune God, entered the real world to save us from sin. The only real God, the Triune God, is present and powerful in the troubles of life. “Real. Present. God.” takes us to the whole of The Book of Psalms. “The Psalter ought to be a precious and beloved book, if for no other reason than this: It promises Christ’s death and resurrection so clearly—and pictures his kingdom and the condition and nature of all Christendom— that it might be called a little Bible.

REAL.PRESENT.GOD. is not only historic, it is also contemporary. In real life — broken, messy, sinful — a real God is still present in Word and Sacrament. Our God is not only present, but He is personal and powerful.

REAL.PRESENT.GOD. invites the children of the church to experience the poetic pictures of the Psalms through illustrations and applications appropriate to their age level and to their life situations. It is another year of worship in Lutheran schools. Let’s make it the “Year of Psalms” as we listen to God’s Word, memorize passages from the Psalms, sing His praises and pray for His blessing.

The St. John's Staff is busy preparing to welcome you and your students back to school on August 16th, 2018. In preparation for our annual **Back 2 School Expo**, held on August 13th from 4 to 6p.m. [Click here](#) to access forms, supply lists, calendar information and to check out our new website.

You will receive a separate email with your credentials to access our student information system, **Gradelink**. Gradelink will be your portal to view your students assignments, grades, and financial information. Tuition charges are posted to your financial family billing account for your review. You may pay your tuition in full before or at the Back 2 School Expo and receive a pay in full discount of 2% per student. If you select to make tuition payments our payment plan is a 10 month payment plan and your first payment will be due at the Back to School Expo.

As you finish your summer camping trips, days at the pool, ball games, and vacations I pray that you are filled with love of God. Be safe, have fun, and be ready to be Real. Present. And with God for the 2018-2019 school year.

OUR MISSION:

**Equipping the family of God to joyfully and boldly
Make Disciples of Christ as we
KNOW Jesus and one other
GROW to be more like Him
SOW His love in word and deed.**

1. Each family will review and update your student registration information. This is important final registration information. Please review your family’s Gradelink account for your tuition information. *If you are not paying tuition in full by Back to School Expo, then you must pay your first months tuition payment and setup your payment plan.*
2. We are blessed to be able to offer a health/medical table again at the Expo. If your child needs to create a health plan for the upcoming school year, please bring the appropriate information to the Expo to allow us to work with you to complete a school health plan. This includes children with allergies, daily medication, and other health or safety needs. Forms can be found on our school website (www.sjsmarysville.org) **Immunization Schedule** *Please provide the school office with an updated immunization record prior to the first day of school. This is a requirement of the Ohio Department of Health.*
3. At 4:00 & 5:30 Mr. Rausch, our principal, will be hosting a presentation in the cafeteria featuring information, expectations, and goals for the upcoming school year. Some of the topics may include: School Theme, reading incentive program, curriculum mapping, committees, the future, goals and events, technology updates, things specific to each grade, updates to handbook, 175th School Anniversary Committee, Strategic Ministry Plan (School and Church), CEA events and more.
4. Each teacher will be welcoming students to their classrooms. This will be an opportunity for you to meet your student’s teachers, drop off school supplies, set up your desk or locker, and review curriculum and class schedules.

Visit all the tables at the Back 2 School Expo located in the school gym! This is a great way to learn about St. John’s School and all the different opportunities you have to be a part of the St. John’s family this school year.

The St. John’s staff and school ministry leaders are extremely excited to partner with you on the journey that this school year will bring.

Back 2 School Expo

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Back 2 School Expo

Check List:

To Bring with you:

Student Packet which includes

- ⇒ First Month's Tuition Payment
- ⇒ Completed Medication Form (if needed). Forms Found on Website under Resources.
- ⇒ Completed Bus Transportation form (if applicable). Forms Found on Website under Resources
- ⇒ Signed Handbook Agreement

To do's at the Expo:

- ⇒ Complete Background check. New Families or Families who have not had a background check done within the last 3 years. Instruction are found on the website under Admissions
- ⇒ Update All Contact Information - Review at Registration Table
- ⇒ Meet your Teacher and drop off supplies
- ⇒ Pay remaining balances on Registration and Materials Fees. These must be paid by this date.
- ⇒ Pay tuition (in full or first months payment due)
- ⇒ Learn about school payment system for school year and lunchroom procedures. Pick up Aug & Sept menus and sign up for your cook day with Cook Staff.

Learn More about:

- ⇒ Music/Choir/Band/Pep Band
- ⇒ Athletics and St. John's Booster League
- ⇒ St. John's Spirit Wear (Items for sale and taking orders day of expo)
- ⇒ Volunteer Opportunities
- ⇒ Leadership Team (5th-8th Grade Student Leadership)
- ⇒ CEA for Preschool & Elementary (Parent Organization for Preschool—4th Grade)
- ⇒ SCRIP Table, Cash for Schools Programs, and Fundraising Table

*Don't Forget to Visit
Your Classroom*

St. John's Lutheran School

Location: School Gym

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