



Sacred Heart Catholic School

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Dear Parents,

On behalf of our faculty and staff, I want to welcome you to Sacred Heart. Whether you are a returning family, or are new to the Sacred Heart family, we are happy to have you join us this school year! We realize you have a choice in education, and we are happy you chose SH.

We recently received the following guidance from the Diocese of Little Rock, Office of Catholic Schools: "Unfortunately, with the recent increase of positive cases in Arkansas and the confirmation that the delta variant is far more transmissible, causing more children to be hospitalized, the elementary schools will begin the year with everyone age 4 years and older wearing masks while indoors."

As one of the few Catholic schools that serves pre-k – 12th grades, we will:

- Require masks for all students and faculty in grades K-6 while indoors (our pre-k will follow DHS guidelines and only unvaccinated staff will be required to wear a mask)
- Recommend masks for everyone in grades 7-12
- Keep our elementary and high school students separate, since those under 12 have not had an opportunity to be vaccinated
- Continue to practice social distancing (3 ft)
- Continue rigorous cleaning and sanitizing protocols
- Follow CDC and Department of Health guidelines in regard to contact tracing and quarantining

Like you, we are looking forward to moving past covid restrictions and protocols. However, we must make decisions that protect the health and safety of our entire Sacred Heart family during this difficult time. We will keep you posted of any changes to this policy.

We are pleased to welcome our new Faculty members and to announce the following changes:

- Ashley Wilson was hired as 3rd grade teacher replacing Mrs. Fairchild
- Coach Gattin has taken another job and we are now interviewing for his position.
- Dean McKendree will teach and be Dean of Students for 7th-12th.
- Mr. Koch has taken a position at Morrilton.
- Dr. Magie is returning part time.
- Mrs. Eggart will be part time this year.
- Mark Tyler will teach social studies and religion.

The schedule for August is as follows:

- August 2-4 – Registration. Online registration should be completed by August 4th. More info will be shared via Renweb parent alert and social media. If you prefer to register in person, please call the office at 501.354.8113 to schedule a time.
- August 4-10 – Teacher in-service
- August 9 – Open House - 6:00 in gym
- August 11 – First day of school

Regarding registration, please note for kindergarten and transfer students – the following may be dropped off, mailed in, or emailed to Barbi Kordsmeier (bkordsmeier@sacredheartmorriton.org) Kindergarten and students new to the school through transfer will need to bring the following:

- a) Birth Certificate;
- b) Immunization Records;
- c) Baptismal Certificate if the student is Catholic; and
- d) if you are a parent of a transfer student and you have not filled out a Records Release form, we will have one for you to sign.

School Supply List & Summer Reading is on the School Website:
www.sacredheartmorriton.org: Students

Other Reminders and New for this Year:

- 1. Campus Security** – Reminder, all exterior doors will remain locked at 8:00 a.m. each morning that school is in session. All **tardy high school** students will sign in at the high school office. Elementary students will sign in at the elementary office.
- 2. Support Hours Reminder** - The number of support hours will be revised for the 21-22 school year. Updates will be sent out.
- 3. Handbook** - Handbooks will be available online by August 9th.
- 4. School Office Numbers** – Elementary office number is 501-354-4416 and High School office is 501-354-8113.
- 5. School Lunch Prices** – New lunch prices for 21-22 school term are as follows: Elementary Student \$3.00, High School \$3.20, Milk \$0.50.
- 6. Chrome Books** – Students entering grades 7-12 are required to have a device capable of connecting to the internet for use on Google classroom. Any tablet/laptop device (chromebook, laptop, ipad, etc) will suffice so long as it is internet capable and has a keyboard. Classroom sets of chrome books have been purchased for K-6. If we transition to AMI, they may be checked out if needed.
- 7. Email/Text** – To sign up for the weekly email blast and receive, go to www.sacredheartmorriton.org and click under “Parent Update Newsletter.” If you are not yet registered via renweb to received parent alert texts, please email Akoonce@sacredheartmorriton.org.

See you soon,



Buddy Greeson
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