

ST. CECILIA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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UPCOMING EVENTS

* First Day of School *

September 8, 2025

PreK & Kindergarten

* Uniform Picture Day

September 12, 2025

All students must be in St. Cecilia Uniform (Uniform Picture Make-up day is November 11, 2025)

* Grandparents Day Mass

September 14, 2025

10am

* Middle School Dance

September 26, 2025

TIME: To be announced



WELCOME BACK

Message from the Principal

Dear Saint Cecilia Families,

Welcome back to a brand-new school year at Saint Cecilia School! I am so excited to greet all of our returning families and to extend a very warm welcome to those who are joining us for the first time. We have so many exciting things in store for this year, and it is a blessing to begin this journey together.

As we enter this new school year, let us do so with love, peace, and kindness. Our first week has gone off without a hitch—it feels as if our students never left! New students were welcomed with open arms, and returning students have jumped right back into routines with joy and enthusiasm. I am filled with gratitude for the community we share here at Saint Cecilia.



Message from Father Steve

"Welcome back to a new year of learning, growth, and faith! As we begin this new year at SCS, I'd like to begin with a quote from Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who we celebrate today on September 5th. She once famously said, 'We can do no great great things, only small things with great love.' It's a great reminder to focus on the simple, meaningful actions we take on a daily basis. Whether it's offering a kind word to a classmate, helping a new student get used to the school building, or playing respectfully on the sports field, these small things can be done with great charity. Mother Teresa's words help give focus to all the work we accomplish in the classrooms and beyond. We ask for the heavenly support of St. Teresa of Calcutta, and St. Cecilia for a blessed and successful new year of 2025-2026!"

WHAT TO EXPECT

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Morning Drop Off

7:45: Doors open for arrival (Back doors)

Pre-K enters through the Pre-K back door.

Kindergarten enters through the kindergarten back door

1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders enter through the back door closest to their classroom.

Middle School enters the back door closest to the kindergarten classroom, and proceeds directly to their homeroom.

Afternoon Pick Up

**For Pre-K students who are half-day, dismissal is at 11:00 a.m. at the front doors of the school.

**Pre-K and Kindergarten dismissal time is 2:00 p.m out the back doors.

**Grades 1-5 dismissal time is 2:05pm out the back doors.

**Grades 6-8 dismissal time is 2:10pm out the front doors of the school. If a Middle School student has a younger sibling, they may exit out the back doors.

**Bus students will wait in the main hall downstairs for the bus to arrive.

Morning & Extended Care

We are once again offering Morning Care and Extended Care this school year, staffed by our own Saint Cecilia faculty and staff. These programs are available for both regular use and as a drop-in option.

Morning Care: Perfect for families needing an earlier start.

The cost is \$8.25 per student (\$7.25 per student if siblings attend together)

Extended Care: Helpful if you are running late or need coverage after school.

The cost is \$8.25 per student per hour (\$7.25 per student per hour if siblings attend together)

If you would like your child(ren) to attend, please email your child's teacher and myself.

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Welcome to Our New Staff!

We are blessed to welcome several new members to our Saint Cecilia School family:

- **Mrs. Jennifer Martirano – First Grade Teacher**

Mrs. Martirano is a proud alumna of Saint Cecilia School and the mom of Layla Smith in our Middle School. She recently earned her Master's Degree in Elementary Education and brings great passion and dedication to her classroom. We are thrilled to welcome her back home!

- **Mr. Fillmore – Middle School Social Studies & Math**

A recent graduate of Stonehill College, Mr. Fillmore is currently pursuing his graduate degree in Education at Providence College. He will be teaching Social Studies and Math in grades 6, 7, and 8. We are excited for the knowledge and energy he brings to our Middle School.

- **Mrs. Jessica Cerce – Kindergarten Aide**

Mrs. Cerce is the proud mom of three and is eager to share her care and enthusiasm with our youngest learners.

- **Mr. Bob Bedard ("Mr. Bob") – Maintenance**

A Saint Cecilia alumnus (Class of 1974!), Navy veteran, and recently retired from 23 years in the Pawtucket School System, Mr. Bob brings a wealth of experience and a big heart to our school. Already, he has tackled long-overdue repairs and is currently working on a special picnic garden area in our back lot for students to enjoy during recess and PE. Three new picnic tables are being made, and families are invited to support this project through our school Venmo QR code (please write Picnic Tables in the memo).

We are so blessed to welcome each of these new staff members into our Saint Cecilia family!

Picture Day

Uniform Picture Day is scheduled for **Friday, September 12th**. Order forms have been sent home in students' Blue Communication Folders. We are excited to welcome **East Coast Capture** as our new school photography company.

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Student Information System (SIS)

We are in the final phases of setting up our brand-new Student Information System (SIS). Mrs. San Souci is finalizing the last details, and in the coming week all families will receive their own family log-in. With this access, you will be able to review your child(ren)'s information, contact information, and more. Thank you for your patience as we complete this important transition.

Support Our School

Our Adopt-a-Classroom and Club Program is now open! Families can use our new school Venmo QR code to donate directly. In the memo line, please indicate the classroom, club, or program you wish to support. Thank you for helping us make Saint Cecilia even stronger!

Gym Uniforms

Great news—our new gym uniforms have shipped! A special thank-you to Mrs. Duarte for all of her hard work in making the uniforms more affordable for families while also giving back to the school.

Uniform Reminders

A few friendly reminders as we begin the year:

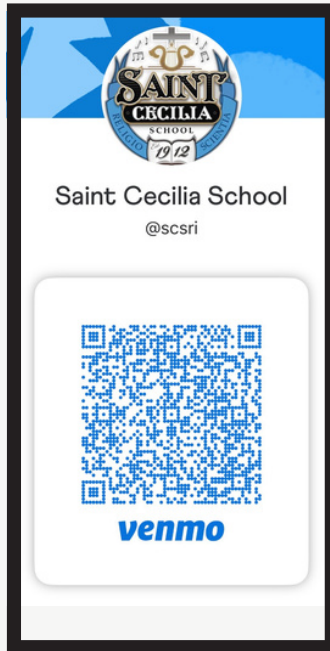
- Crocs and Uggs are not permitted with the school uniform.
- Students may wear all-black sneakers with their regular uniform and any sneakers on gym days.
- Middle School boys wearing button-down Oxford shirts must also wear a tie, unless they are wearing the cotton polo shirt.

Thank you for helping us maintain a neat and consistent school appearance!

Saint Cecilia School

♥ Adopt a Classroom ♥ Adopt a Club ♥ Adopt a Program

✝ Scan the QR Code below to donate through VENMO ✝



Adopt a Classroom

- PK- Miss Bradbury & Miss Marge
- Kindergarten- Mrs. Lucier & Mrs. Oliveira
- 1st Grade- Mrs. Martirano
- 2nd Grade- Miss LeFort
- 3rd Grade- Mrs. Valzovano
- 4th Grade- Mrs. Cifelli
- 5th Grade- Mrs. Leonard
- 6th Grade Homeroom- Mr. Seal
(Science/STREAM/Writing)
- 7th Grade Homeroom- Mrs. Saunders
(ELA/Religion)
- 8th Grade Homeroom- Mrs. Bradbury
(PE & Health)
- Middle School- Mrs. Wunschel (Math)
- Middle School- Mr. Fillmore
(Social Studies & Math)
- Art- Mrs. Borgovan
- Music- Mrs. Kilcline
- Library & Elementary Tech- Mrs. Smith
- Spanish & Tech (4-8)- Mrs. Arroyo

Adopt a Club or Program

- Cougar Athletics- uniforms, league fees & equipment
- Playground Project- garden, picnic tables, shaded learning area
- Drama Club- costumes, set design, licensing
- STREAM Club- science & engineering supplies
- Extended & Morning Care- snacks, toys, crafts

Thank You for Your Support!

Any donation tonight will earn a dress down pass for your child(ren).

\$100 or more will earn multiple passes

- Share this QR code with family & friends
- Local businesses are welcome to join in supporting
- Every donation makes a difference for our students

Please write in the memo line which classroom, club, or program you are supporting

Grandparent's Day

St. Cecilia PTO

would like to invite you to attend our

Grandparent's Day Mass on

Sunday, September 14, 2025 @ 10am

Immediately following the Mass we will

have light refreshments and

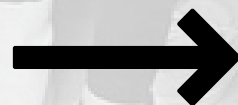
photo opportunity

in the church hall.

We appreciate all you do to make our

lives special.

Sign up here for baked goods and
refreshment donations





St. Cecilia School

2025-2026 Calendar

First Day of School

9/2- Grades 1-8

9/8-PreK & Kindergarten

NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

September 1	Labor Day
October 13	Columbus / Indigenous Peoples' Day
November 11	Veterans' Day
Nov. 27-28	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec. 22- Jan. 2	Winter Recess
January 19	M.L. King Jr. Day
February 16-20	February Break
April 3 & 6	Good Friday & Easter Monday
April 20-24	Spring Break
May 25	Memorial Day

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/ DISTANCE LEARNING

August 28-29	Professional Day
September 26	Professional Day & Distance Learning
November 26	Professional Day & Distance Learning
March 16	Professional Day & Distance Learning
May 22	Professional Day & Distance Learning

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TRIMESTERS

Tri 1- ends Nov. 25

Tri 2- ends March 20

Tri 3- ends June 10

CELEBRATION DAYS/WEEKS

Catholic Schools Week- January 25-31

Math Week

Reading Week

Principal Appreciation Day- May 1st

Teacher Appreciation Week - May 4-8

MEET THE TEACHERS

August 27

GRADUATIONS

June 3- PreK

June 4- Kindergarten

June 5- 8th Grade