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"Anchored in Hope"

A Note from the Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,
It's the most wonderful time of the year at St. Augustine Catholic School, and as we head into the final week before Christmas break, our halls are buzzing with excitement! We look forward to welcoming everyone to our Christmas Show on Tuesday, December 16 at 6:00 PM. It promises to be a joyful celebration of the season, and all families are invited to join us.

Thank you to all who completed the ADW Cognia School Survey. Your feedback is invaluable as we continue to strengthen our school community and enhance the learning experience for every child. We are also grateful for your generosity in supporting the 8th Grade Christmas Breakfast Fundraiser. Your participation helps make their end-of-year activities truly memorable.
As we prepare for the Christmas holiday, may this season bring your family peace, joy, and the comforting light of Christ's love. We look forward—anchored in hope—to the return of our students when school resumes on January 5, 2026. Wishing you a blessed and wonderful Christmas! - Dr. Logan

Upcoming Events

12/16: Classroom Christmas Parties
12/16: School Christmas Show 6pm-8pm; Refreshments on Sale (Students should arrive by 5:30pm)
12/17: Movie and Pajama Day - Aftercare available until 5PM, No After-school Activities
12/18-20: St. Augustine Church Annual Toy Donation Drive (**donate** a new toy for a child through the church's toy drive)
12/19: Christmas Break Begins; 12:30PM Dismissal - Aftercare available until 5PM, No After-school Activities (**please bring your own lunch if you are enrolled in after-care that day.**)
1/5: School Resumes for Teachers and Students
1/9: All Christmas Assignments due
1/12: Winter NWEA MAP Assessment starts
1/12: HSA Meeting at 5:00 pm
1/12: World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser Starts
1/16: Open House (9am-11am)
1/16: Second Quarter Ends
1/19: **SCHOOL CLOSED** (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
1/20: Third Quarter Begins

Reminders

Financial Aid Reminder - Apply Now!
All families are encouraged to apply for ADW Tuition Assistance for the 2026-2027 school year. Families who received any financial aid this year must apply. Apply here through your FACTS account. Please submit your application and upload all required documents as soon as possible. If you need assistance, contact Ms. Teran at lteran@saintaugustine-dc.org or 202-265-1470 ext.24.
Tuesday, December 17 is Pajama and Movie Day!
Students are invited to wear their coziest Christmas pajamas and enjoy a fun holiday movie with their classmates. ***Please make sure all pajamas are appropriate for school***
Classroom Christmas Parties are on Decemebr 16th. If you would like to help or contribute, please contact your child's teacher to see what support is needed.

Announcements

Calendar Update: School will reopen for students on Monday, January 5, 2026
Christmas "Santa Shop" for Students
The Christmas Shop will be open to students from Wednesday, December 12 through Friday, December 19, operating daily. Prices will range from $2 to $20.
Reregistration - Early Bird
Early Bird re-registration, will begin on Monday, January 26, 2026, and will conclude on Friday, February 27, 2026. Please note that the Early Bird window is shorter than in previous years, so we urge you to secure your child's spot early. The Early Bird re-registration fee is $275.00, reflecting a $100.00 discount. Additional savings are available for families with two or more children. We encourage you to mark your calendars and be sure totake advantage of this discounted rate.
Christmas Learning Packets
Learning packets will be sent home with your child this week. Please ensure that all packets are completed and returned no later than January 9, 2026. As we prepare for our next MAP Growth Assessment beginning on January 12, we encourage students to stay sharp by practicing their IXL skills over the Christmas Break. Even a little practice each day can make a big difference! Thank you for your support in keeping learning alive—even during this joyful season!
Inclement Weather Reminder
In the event of inclement weather, St. Augustine Catholic School will send announcements by email or phone message. Please contact Ms. Jackie Smith to ensure your child's emergency contact information is up to date.

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1/12: የክረምት **NWEA MAP** ግምገማ ይጀምራል

1/12: የ**HSA** ስብሰባ **5:00** ምሽት

1/12: የ**World's Finest Chocolate** የገንዘብ ማሰባሰቢያ ይጀምራል

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ሁሉም ቤተሰቦች ለ**2026–2027** ዓመተ ትምህርት የ**ADW** የትምህርት ክፍያ እገዛ እንዲያመልክቱ ይበረታታሉ። በዚህ ዓመት ማንኛውንም የፋይናንስ እገዛ የተቀበሉ ቤተሰቦች እንደገና መመዝገብ አለባቸው። እባክዎት በ**FACTS** መለያዎ ያመልክቱ እና የሚፈለጉትን ሰነዶች በተቻለ ፍጥነት ይጫኑ። እገዛ ካስፈለገዎት፣ ከ**Ms. Teran** በ**lteran@saintaugustine-dc.org** ወይም **202-265-1470** ቅጥያ **24** ያነጋግሩ።

ማክሰኞ፣ ዲሴምበር **17**: የፓጃማና ፊልም ቀን!

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የክፍል ውስጥ የገና ፓርቲዎች በዲሴምበር **16** ይካሄዳሉ። ለመርዳት ወይም ለመዋጮ ፈቃደኛ ከሆኑ፣ ምን ድጋፍ እንደሚፈለግ ለማወቅ ከልጅዎ መምህር ጋር ያግኙ።

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የቀን መቁጠሪያ ማሻሻያ: ት/ቤት ለተማሪዎች በሰኞ፣ ጃንዩወሪ **5**፣ **2026** ይከፈታል።

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የገና መደብር ከእሮብ፣ ዲሴምበር **12** እስከ አርብ፣ ዲሴምበር **19** ድረስ ለተማሪዎች ክፍት ይሆናል፣ በየቀኑም ይሰራል። ዋጋዎች ከ**$2** እስከ **$20** ይሆናሉ።

ቀድሞ ምዝገባ – **Early Bird**

የ**Early Bird** ቀድሞ ምዝገባ በሰኞ፣ ጃንዩወሪ **26**፣ **2026** ይጀምራል እና በአርብ፣ ፌብሩወሪ **27**፣ **2026** ይጠናቀቃል። እባክዎት የ**Early Bird** ጊዜ ከቀድሞ ዓመታት አጭር መሆኑን ያስተውሉ፣ ስለዚህ የልጅዎን ቦታ በፍጥነት እንዲያረጋግጡ እንጠይቃለን። የ**Early Bird** ምዝገባ ክፍያ **$275.00** ሲሆን **$100.00** ቅናሽን ያካትታል። ሁለት ወይም ከዚያ በላይ ልጆች ላላቸው ቤተሰቦች ተጨማሪ ቅናሽ አለ። ቀኖቹን በቀን መቁጠሪያዎ ላይ ምልክት እንዲያደርጉ እና ከዚህ ቅናሽ እንዲጠቀሙ እንመክራለን።

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ክፉ የአየር ሁኔታ ቢኖር፣ ሴንት አጎስቲን ካቶሊክ ት/ቤት ማስታወቂያዎችን በኢሜይል ወይም በስልክ ይላካል። እባክዎት የልጅዎ የአደጋ ጊዜ የመገኛ መረጃ ዘመናዊ መሆኑን ለማረጋገጥ **Ms. Jackie Smith** ያነጋግሩ።

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From the Director's Desk...

Aftercare resumes as scheduled tomorrow, Monday, December 15th from 3:45 - 6:00pm.
Aftercare PROMPTLY begins at 3:45pm and CLOSES at 6:00pm.

You will be charged a $30 Drop-In fee if your child is not officially registered as a part of Aftercare.
You also will be charged a $30 Late Pick-Up fee if your child is a part of Aftercare and NOT picked up by 6:00pm daily.

Please stay mindful for the cost and times listed above. It is vital to ensure any avoidable charges and potential discord that may arise.

AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES (wk. of Dec. 15th - 19th)

Monday: Cheerleading 4:00 - 5:00pm (Cafeteria), D.I.Y. 3:45 - 4:45pm (Science room), Legos 4:00 - 5:00pm (Pre-K room), Sewing/Knitting 3:45 - 4:45pm (Art room), Soccer (3rd - 8th ONLY) 3:45 - 4:45pm (Gym), Fencing 5:00 - 6:00pm (Gym).

Tuesday: NO AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES! CHRISTMAS SHOW @ 6PM.

Wednesday: NO CHESS, Fencing 5:00 - 6:00pm (gym), Orchestra 3:45 - 4:45pm (Cafeteria), Pre-Engineering 4:15 - 5:15pm (6th grade room), Spelling Bee 3:45 - 4:45pm (Computer lab).

Thursday: Art 3:45 - 4:45pm (Science room), MANDATORY Varsity Girls & Boys Basketball (only) 3:45 - 5:45pm (Gym).

Friday: Half Day 12:30pm Dismissal (Aftercare Available until 5pm/No Afterschool Activities)

Thank you as always for your time, consciousness, and consideration.

REMINDER

Our Varsity Girls' & Boys' Basketball teams are currently in season.

Both games before the Christmas Break will be this upcoming Saturday, Dec. 20th @ St. Anthony Catholic School-DC!!

St. Anthony Catholic School
3400 12th NE
Washington, DC 20017

Girls v. St. Pius X
@ 10 AM

Boys v. St Mary Assumption
@ 11 AM

We welcome and look forward to our school community at large coming out to show support and cheer us on.

LET'S GO SAINTS!!!!

Kip McCoy
Health/PE Teacher
Director of Aftercare/Director of Athletics

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SAC Presents Annual

SANTA SHOP

SHOP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

HATS, BOOKS, TOYS, AND MORE !

DECEMBER 10TH- DECEMBER 19TH

Location:	Saint Augustine Catholic School
	First Floor Hallway

Saint Augustine Catholic School Presents:

Christmas Miracle

DECEMBER 16,2025
6:00PM
SAINT AUGUSTINE ROOM

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

TICKETS $15
TICKETS WILL BE $20 AT THE DOOR

Indulge in our concession stand during intermission

ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT 8TH GRADE GRADUATION TRIP

2026-2027

Solicitar / Renovar

SOLICITUDES DE OSP YA ABIERTAS

Llámenos al 202-464-6704

o

envíenos un correo electrónico a

kaylat@servingourchildrendc.org

para hacer una cita en persona o por teléfono.

Podemos ayudarte:

Presentar una nueva solicitud.

Renovar su beca OSP.

Enviar documentos.

Preguntas frecuentes.

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D.C. Opportunity Scholarship Program

SY 2026-2027 APPLICATION

Now Available

STEP 01

Apply/Renew for OSP

1. Go to website: www.servingourchildrendc.org
2. Login the OSP Parent Portal: osp.my.salesforce-sites.com
3. Need Assistance: Schedule an in-person Appointment: calendly.com/infoservingourchildrendc/apply-renew-d-c-osp-application

APPLY + Calendly

STEP 02

Submit Required Documents

1. Proof of D.C. Residency
2. 2024 or 2025 Income
3. Full Acceptable Document list: servingourchildrendc.org/our-program/document-library/

STEP 03

Check Your Application Status

1. Login the OSP Parent Portal
2. Check your email for application status updates.
3. Awarded Students will receive an Award Letter via email.

STEP 04

OSP Schools and Deadlines

1. Apply for an OSP Participating Private School.
2. Mark your calendars for OSP Application & Private School Deadlines and OSP Events.

Saint Augustine
Lunch Menu December 2025

1 Chile w/cheese on the side Rolls Cake Milk and Water	2 Pizza Salad Ice Cream Milk and Water	3 Cheeseburger String Beans Salad Cookies --- Veggie Burger Salad Milk and Water	4 BBQ Wings French Fries Popsicles Milk and Water	5 ½ DAY NO LUNCH
8 NO SCHOOL	9 Grill Cheese Sandwich and Tomato Soup Mixed Fruit Milk and Water	10 Turkey Bacon BLT Broccoli Ice Cream --- Caesar Salad Broccoli Milk and Water	11 BBQ Wings Corn on the Cob Baked Beans Oreo Cookies Milk and Water	12 Turkey Caesar Wrap Vegetables Glaze Donuts --- Meatless Caesar Wrap Fruit/Oreo Cookies Milk and Water
15 Alfredo Pasta with Turkey Salad Chocolate Cake Milk and Water	16 Chicken and Waffles Fruit Cup with Cool Whip Milk and Water	17 Vegetable Quesadilla Rice Brownies --- Rice with Vegetables Bean Salad Milk and Water	18 BBQ Wings Baked Beans Salad Cake and Ice Cream Milk and Water	19 CHRISTMAS BREAK BEGINS
22	22 MERRY	24	25	26
29	30	31 CHRISTMAS		

***A Vegetarian Meal is available on Wednesday and Friday**

FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment

FACTS makes quality education for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- **IRS Federal Tax Return**, including all supporting schedules (the year of the tax return depends on the tax requirements of your school). If the applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- Copies of **all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements** for both the applicant and co-applicant.

Note: If you are applying before you have received all the current year W-2 Wage and Tax Statements, please submit them as soon as they become available.

- Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:
  - **Business** – send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
  - **Farm** – send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization
  - **Rental Property -** send Schedule E (page 1)
  - **S-Corporation -** send Schedule E (page 2), Form 11205 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
  - **Partnership** – send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825
  - **Estates and Trusts** – send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

Important: If you file a tax return but do not have W-2 wages because you are self-employed, you will be required to submit a copy of your current year Federal Form 1040 Tax Return.

- Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable income such as Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS users account to review the status of your application. **Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents.** Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee may be required before your application will be submitted.

Note: Award decisions are made by the institution providing the financial aid, not FACTS.

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