ST. CLETUS

St. Cletus Catholic School

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Dear St. Cletus Families,

What an amazing year that we have had! We have accomplished great things this past school year and have plans for making next year even better. We want to thank you for entrusting us with your greatest treasure – your child. As we prepare for summer camp and the next year, we want to remind you of a few things that will better prepare your child for their next steps.

The Link to <u>required summer reading</u> lists for Pre K 4 – seventh grade. This should serve as a minimum reading list for the summer. We ask you to please encourage your children to read and keep up with the skills that they have learned during the year.

Also a <u>list of school supplies for grade Kindergarten – seventh.</u> (Pre K supplies are provided.) It is recommended that you shop for these supplies with your child so that they can practice their math and critical thinking skills while doing cost comparisons and adding up the cost for the supplies. Please mark you child's name on all supplies as well as uniforms. You would be amazed how many items end up in the lost and found with no name labeled. If you have ordered the First Day School Supply Kits they will be delivered to your child's homeroom for Orientation.

<u>Skobel's</u> is our official uniform company. School uniforms, PE uniforms, fleece jackets and sweatshirts can all be purchased new. Make sure that you do that early to avoid the rush right before school starts. **Only a two shoulder school bag will be allowed.** (No sling, messenger bags will be allowed.) Students that require a rolling school bag must have a Dr. note

Pre K 3, 4 and Kindergarten students will meet with their teachers on August 6, 7, and 8. You should have receive a link to Sign Up Genius to schedule a time with your child's teacher. Please make sure your address, email, and phone numbers are current with the office to ensure that you receive your "welcome back" card from your child's teacher.

Parents who want to volunteer as room parents, chaperones, or wish to work with students must take an Archdiocesan Safe Environment class. If you took the class last year, it is good for 3 years and you will not need to repeat it until the 3 years are up. We are looking to host an in person session in **August**. Each person that wants to be certified will need to pay for the cost of having the approved background check and the cost to have the information tracked for a 3 year period. It will cost \$20.00 to be paid to St. Cletus. There are other classes available that you can take, find out about them at the following Link: <u>VIRTUS</u>. Here is a document to help you fill out the information about <u>Virtus</u>.

Tuition payments will begin on July 1. Any accounts that are more than 30 days past due will be declined service. We cannot emphasize the importance of meeting your monthly obligation to the bank.

You are a vital part of your child's education. Please consider volunteering next year. It is a great way to get involved and become a part of something bigger that benefits all of the children at St. Cletus.

Summer hours are 9 am to 3 pm Monday – Thursday. We will be closed on Fridays. The school will resume regular hours 7:30 am to 4 pm on July 23. Please remember that the teachers do not work during summer.

Important Dates to Remember:

Monday, Aug. 4	Tuesday, Aug. 5	Wednesday, Aug. 6	Thursday, Aug 7	Friday, Aug. 8	Monday, Aug. 11
Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, Parent Orientation at 6:30 pm	Pre K 3, 4, K, 1, 2 Parent Orientation at 6:00 pm	First Day Grades 6, 7	First Day Grades 1, 2, 3, 4, 5	Grades 1-7 full day of school	First Day Pre K 3, Pre K 4 Kindergarten
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Lastly, on **August 3**, we would like to invite all of our St. Cletus Families to the 9 am Mass followed by Coffee and Donuts. New families can meet our existing families! It will be great to get together for a special celebration!

Thank you for allowing me to share another year with all of you. I look forward to sharing many more while working with you to educate your children. Know that the faculty and staff of St. Cletus are honored that you have chosen this school.

Yours in Christ,

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Link to Student Handbook

Link to Early Childhood Handbook

Link to 25-26 School Calendar