

September 5, 2025

Dear St. Brigid School Community,

The atmosphere around the school this week remains positive, and students and staff continue to establish routines that will guide them throughout the academic year. I find myself in awe of how quickly this transition to school takes place. However, some routines do require a lot more time to establish, such as addressing potty accidents for some of our youngest students, returning lunch baskets to the cafeteria each day, bringing in playground balls, and maintaining soft voices inside the building during transitions. These things are all part of being a part of a community, and we work on building a better and more loving environment each day we gather together to learn.

Transitioning to school impacts each member of our school community and neighborhood. With this sentiment in your mind, I share the following information with you:

Cafeteria Update: The company that the school purchased the stove/oven from estimates that it will arrive on campus next week. Since I can't guarantee that the stove will be operational upon arrival, it is necessary for me to inform you that I have instructed our cafeteria manager to change the lunch menu. This means that any lunch orders you placed for next week will need to be re-entered for the new items being placed on the menu that do not require the use of a stove/oven. Mrs. Hoglund informed me that Chick-fil-A will be a menu item one day next week.

Drop-off and Pick-up: Please follow the basic rules outlined on our website when dropping off and picking up your children.

Here are some other drive-thru-related issues that need to be clearly stated to the school community:

1. Before care runs from 7:00-7:30. Students must be dropped off in the drive-thru prior to 7:30.
2. As a courtesy, Mrs. Bull stands at the gate on Elmwood Street each morning from approximately 7:30 to 7:50. Do not drop your children off at the Elmwood gate unless Mrs. Bull or a member of the school staff is present to greet them. Students using car seats must go through the drive thru.
3. If your preschool to grade 5 student arrives after 8:00 AM, a parent must escort the student to the main office to sign them in. A parent must escort middle school students to the main office to sign in if they arrive after 7:55 AM.
4. Do not park on either side of Elmwood Street during drive-thru hours.
5. Follow all traffic signs. The city will enforce the posted traffic rules. Remember that there is only parking on one side of St. Joseph Street. Last week, the trash truck was unable to navigate the street because people had parked on both sides. Being neighborly is essential.

School Picture Day: Reminder, school photos will be taken on September 10th and 11th. All students are to wear the school dress uniform. Pictures will be used for the yearbook. If a student has gym class, they will not change into their gym uniform. Please do not send your student in a gym uniform on picture day. If they are in gym uniform, they will not have their picture taken.

Please scroll down to read all the other information found on the weekly "What's Happening". You won't miss a thing at the school if you faithfully read the information shared each week!

Sincerely,
Bill Burke
Principal