# Welcome Back to School where we are getting ready for take-off!

Thank you for allowing your child to experience the 2022-2023 school year at Holy Cross Catholic School!

We are delighted to educate the whole child – in mind, heart, and spirit.

Our academics serve two purposes: to provide and excellent education and to create a Catholic environment in daily life.

We maintain a high level of excellence while students learn to have respect for the rights of others as individuals with moral and spiritual values.

# **Faculty and Staff**

Pastor – Father Stephen Vacek Music/Religion – Natalie Friesenhahn

Principal – Linda Bradford PE – Cheri Zenker

PreK3 – Lacy Morris Computer Lab/ Spanish – Paula Montero

Aide – Linda Gavender Library / Art – Mita Bossley

PreK4 – Cecilia Allison Assessment Coordinator / Interventionist –

Aide – Ofelia Escobar Rhonda Westbrook

4th Grade - Diane Widemon

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Jennifer Bossley

Kindergarten- Patti Steed Office Manager – BJ Chavez

1st Grade – Brooke Tomek Admin Asst. – Apryl Simpson

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Karen Schelsteder Custodian – Jerry Lipinski

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – Leslie Stevens Cafeteria – Jane Cole & Sarah Martinez

Before/After School Program (BASP) -

Mita Bossley, Linda Gavender,

Paula Montero

\*\*\* **Tuesday, August 9**<sup>th</sup> – 4:00pm to 6:00pm is Meet & Greet your teacher and bring your school supplies.

\*\*\*\* First Day of School – Wednesday, August  $10^{th}$  – 7:50am School begins. The first week of school you may walk your child into the school. After the first week children will walk independently into the school.

\*\*\*\*\* School Times - School drop off begins at 7:30am. School begins at 7:50am. Students should be in their seats ready to begin the day at 7:50am. Students who arrive late are counted tardy. Parents must walk the student in and sign the tardy book. School ends at 3:20pm. If you are picking up a student early, please make sure they are picked up before 3:00pm. Notify the office and homeroom teacher by 2:00 pm if they are leaving early. Please look at the New Academic Calendar revised on 7/26/22 for early dismissal (Now @ 12:00pm) days. They are not the standard first Friday this year. The early release dates are various weeks throughout the year.

### **Morning Drop-Off Procedures**

- When using the drive thru drop-off the child must exit the vehicle on the passenger side and the driver stays in the vehicle.
- If parking, the adult, and student must always use the crosswalk (This is only allowed the first week of school unless carrying in a project or other materials)

## **After School Pick-Up Procedures**

- Pick-up is Drive thru Only
- Children will be loaded only on passenger side of vehicle
- Place child's placard in the window. Use the placard to hang from rear view mirror for staff to see.

### **Uniform Changes**

- PreK3, PreK4 and Kindergarten boys do not have to wear belts.
- Tennis shoes or another footwear must be SOLID-COLORED such as navy blue, black, brown, white, or gray. (For example, blue, yellow, red, pink, or any other BRIGHT colors are a distraction and not permitted, not even as an accent color.)
- No bright or neon colors, or other accent colors or glitter may be present on a student's shoe (colors which would make the shoes lack a predominant solid color)
- No lights, wheelies, pictures, cartoon characters, glitter, etc. should be present on any shoes.
- Shoes must be non-skid soles for safety purposes.
- For safety reasons, flip-flops, open-toed, opened-back, high-heeled, or high-top shoes are not permitted (even on "free" or "casual" dress days).
- Jewelry can be one necklace with a small religious pendant, one small ring, a watch and, for girls, one pair of stud earrings. Earrings may only be worn in the ear lobe. One earring per lobe is allowed. Boys are not allowed to wear earrings of any kind. A student may wear one colored wristband for an appropriate cause.
- Make-up, Nail polish and False nails are not permitted.

#### Lunch

- All students lunches will be \$4.00
- Lunch will be served for early dismissal days. BASP will also be offered on these days.

#### Mass

 Student mass will be held on Thursday mornings beginning at 8:15am and also on Friday mornings at 8:15am.