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## ***Welcome Back Tigers!!***

The summer has flown by and we are less than two weeks away from the first day of school! The teachers and office staff have begun their work to prepare for the students' arrival. We are so excited to see everyone on the first day of school on Tuesday, September 6th! (Reminder: its a noon dismissal day for K-8 students.)

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families - we are very happy to have you join our St. Catherine community!

Anderson family, with Charlie in the Lions Den  
Williamson family, with Aiden in the Lions Den  
Seligman family, with Zoe in the Lions Den  
Walken family, with Maddie in the Lions Den  
Mills family, with Calvin in the Cubs Room  
Hallock family, with Poppy in the Cubs Room  
Maxwell family, with Mia in the Cubs Room  
Kidd family, with Henry in the Cubs Room  
Berge family, with Louis in the Cubs Room  
Wax family, with Oli in the Cubs Room  
Hujet family, with Calum in the Cubs Room  
O'Connell family, with Darcy in the Cubs Room  
Hartley family, with Alder in the Cubs Room  
Olson family, with Luke in the Cubs Room  
Flowers family, with Hadley in the Tigers Room  
O'Neill family, with Josie in the Tigers Room  
Haddock family, with Lilly in the Tigers Room  
Conrad family, with Noah in the Tigers Room  
Bradley family, with Ava in the Tigers Room and Chance in 2nd Grade  
Kilpatric family, with Calla in the Tigers Room and Finn in Kindergarten  
Bolante family, with Andrew in Kindergarten  
Omidpanah family, with Rafael in Kindergarten  
Calcagno family, with Mia in Kindergarten  
Heinberg family, with Lona in Kindergarten  
Figueroa family, with Sam in 1st Grade and Isaac in 3rd Grade  
Fernunson family, with Nicolas in 1st Grade and Ana in 4th Grade  
Morrison family, with Julia in 2nd Grade  
Lipscomb family, with Elizabeth in 2nd Grade and James in 6th Grade  
Walker family, with Camille in 6th Grade

Clubine family, with Jackson in 7th Grade

By now, you should have been contacted by your Room Ambassador, officially welcoming you and offering to answer any questions you might have. Please feel free to contact your Room Ambassador throughout the school year for assistance, or our Principal, Kathy Cox or Amanda and Charlotte in the school office. We are all here to help in any way we can and make your time at St. Catherine enjoyable!

Please be sure to take some time and read through the rest of this bulletin for lots of important information about the first weeks of school. Don't hesitate to contact [Amanda Lucero](#) or [Charlotte Van Hollebeke](#) in the office if you should have any questions.

We look forward to a great school year!

Blessings,  
St. Catherine School Teachers & Staff

**Join us on Thursday, September 1st for Back to School fun!**



**Teacher Meet & Greet @ 4:30pm** - bring your supplies!  
**Back to School BBQ @ 5:30pm** - hosted by Parent Club

**\*\*Bake Sale to support 8th Grade Class DC Trip fundraising\*\***

## **USED UNIFORM SALE**

Gently used uniforms and spirit wear will be available at fantastic prices during the Back to School BBQ (6-7PM).

There are two ways to participate in the Used Uniform Sale—buying and donating:

- Buying? Shop for new spirit gear or gently used sweatshirts (logo and hooded with no names), jumpers/skirts/skorts/vests by credit card only.
- Donating? We will be collecting gently used school uniforms that meet the guidelines below



## **2022-2023 School Calendar**

Here are the key calendar dates for the 2022-2023 school year:

- 1st day of school: Tuesday, September 6th (noon dismissal)
- Fall Conferences: November 3rd-4th (November 2nd will be a noon dismissal)
- Thanksgiving break: November 24th-25th (November 23rd will be a noon dismissal)
- Christmas break: December 19th-30th

- New Year's Day Observed: January 2nd
- President's weekend/break: February 20th-21st
- Easter break: April 10th-14th
- Last day of school: Friday, June 16th (10:30am dismissal after the Moving Up Mass)

Printable PDF copies of the calendars, with lots more events and dates, are available here:  
[K-8 Calendar](#)  
[Preschool Calendar](#)

Please note that dates on these calendars are subject to change and any changes will be communicated to families via the school newsletter as soon as possible.

## ***Supply Lists: 2022-2023 School Year***

- [Preschool](#)
- [Kindergarten](#)
- [1st Grade](#)
- [2nd Grade](#)
- [3rd Grade](#)
- [4th Grade](#)
- [5th Grade](#)
- [6th Grade](#)
- [7th Grade](#)
- [8th Grade](#)



## ***Uniforms at a Glance***

### **Girls: K-5th Grade**

TOP

- White or navy collared shirt
- Navy logo sweatshirt
- Navy logo fleece zip-up
- Burgundy cardigan, sweater vest or v-neck sweater

BOTTOM

- Burgundy plaid jumper or skort
- Navy skort, slacks or walking shorts

### **Girls: 6th-8th Grades**

TOP

- White or navy collared shirt
- Burgundy logo sweatshirt
- Burgundy cardigan, sweater vest or v-neck sweater
- Navy logo fleece zip-up

BOTTOM

- Burgundy plaid skirt
- Khaki skirt, slacks or walking shorts

### **Boys: K-5th Grade**

TOP

- White or navy collared shirt
- Navy logo sweatshirt

- Navy logo fleece zip-up
- Burgundy cardigan, sweater vest or v-neck sweater

#### BOTTOM

- Navy slacks or walking shorts

#### **Boys: 6th-8th Grades**

##### TOP

- White or navy collared shirt
- Burgundy logo sweatshirt
- Burgundy cardigan, sweater vest or v-neck sweater
- Navy logo fleece zip-up

##### BOTTOM

- Khaki slacks or walking shorts

Please see the full uniform policy [here](#).

### **Where to Buy Uniforms**

#### **Uniform Logo Sweatshirts and Other Uniform Items**

- Dennis Uniform ([online](#))
- Lands' End ([online](#))
- Tommy Hilfiger ([online](#))

#### **Shirts and Pants**

Old Navy, Gap, Nordstrom, JC Penney




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### **LUNCH NEWS from Queen Ann Catering**

Hello! We are happy to be returning for Lunch Service this year! We will try to get more variety in our choices after getting settled back into the kitchen:)

For new parents, at your convenience, please browse through our website - [queenanncatering.com](http://queenanncatering.com), where you will see how to get signed up on our online pre-ordering system EZSchoolApps.

Menus and access to pre-ordering will be live by Wednesday, August 24th. Lunch Service begins Wednesday, September 7th. New menus will be posted weekly on Fridays.

Also, in case you know anyone interested in enjoyable part-time work with the Lunch Program, we have an open position at a nearby school. Please contact [ann@queenanncatering.com](mailto:ann@queenanncatering.com) for more details.

Thank you so much and we look forward to serving the St. Catherine families this year!

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## ***Band!***

We are thrilled to announce that band will be making a return to St. Catherine during the 2022-2023 school year!

Band will be open to students in 4th-8th grade, and will give them an opportunity to learn an instrument and further their musical education outside of music class. Instruments such as the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and trombone will be some of the options students can learn in band. Band is a great way to get involved with the community, make new friends, and learn something new!

[Ms. Jones](#) will be holding an informational meeting for any interested families on **Thursday, September 8th at 5:00 pm**. The meeting will take place in the music room, and more information will be provided on the instruments, rentals, practice times and more music.

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## ***Fine Arts Club with Mrs. St-Pierre***

**What is Fiber Arts Club?** An after school arts program focusing on sewing and handcraft skills taught by textile artist Mrs. St-Pierre (aka: Luc & Pascal's mom).

**When is Fiber Arts Club offered?** Fiber Arts Club will be offered this Fall, first trimester, Thursdays after school from 3:15-4:15pm. Duration is 6 weeks.

**What will my child learn at Fiber Arts Club?** Students will gain hands-on experience in the fiber arts via weaving a wall hanging, hand sewing a stuffy, finger knitting accessories, up-cycling t-shirts, and creating mixed media sculptures. The classes are process-oriented providing students the opportunity to improve their dexterity and problem solving skills by using various tools, materials and techniques.

**Who should sign up for Fiber Arts Club?** Fiber Arts Club welcomes all genders, levels and abilities from beginner to advanced for students in 2nd-5th grades attending St. Catherine's school.

**How do I sign up for Fiber Arts Club?** Click below for sign up, details, payment, & policies.

Fine Arts Club Registration

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## ***Coding with Kids***

### **LITTLE CODERS Grades K - 2**

Tue, 3:15pm-4:15pm  
Sep 27 - Nov 29  
\$249 / 10-week session



Our Little Coders class is an opportunity for young children to develop their computational thinking skills, build their first programs, and have fun with new friends! The curriculum is designed specifically for early readers and takes into account cognitive abilities as well as the attention span typical for ages 5-7. We use age-appropriate online tools, including Lightbot, Kodable, and Scratch to introduce basic coding skills.

Students learn basic coding concepts, such as Loops and Conditions. They practice these concepts to build simple projects, including games, stories, and drawing and animating game characters. At the end of the course, students will be able to comfortably build simple scratch projects on their own.

Registrations at [www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45926](http://www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45926)

### **SCRATCH: INTRO TO GAME DEVELOPMENT Grades 3 - 6**

Mon, 3:15pm-4:15pm  
Sep 26 - Nov 28  
\$249 / 10-week session

Begin your coding journey by creating your own games! This course lays down the foundations for future coding success. Students learn basic coding concepts, such as Variables, Loops, and Conditionals and apply these concepts to create interest-based games, mazes, and animated stories. Projects and activities are all designed to allow students to use their creativity while learning coding.

Registrations at [www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45927](http://www.CodingWithKids.com/session/45927)

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## ***Safety Patrol***

Are you interested in becoming a member of the St. Catherine Safety Patrol club? Here is your chance! If you are a 5th-8th grade student and would like to support your school community, please complete the application below.

Applications are due to [Mrs. Bell](#) by Friday, September 2nd and the first day of patrol will be on Monday, September 12th. Thank you for continuing to make St. Catherine a safe place for all learners!

[Safety Patrol Application](#)

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## ***After School Activities***

Are you a skilled artist, cook, baker, or other hobbyist? And want to share your talents with our students? We are looking for parents, or grandparents, that would like to offer and teach an after school class. If this is something you are interested in, please contact [Amanda Lucero](#) in the school office with a proposal.

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## ***Extended Care 2022-2023***

Registration for Extended Care for the 2022-2023 school year is open in SchoolAdmin.

Once you log into your [Parent Portal](#) account, you will be able to select 'Continue Enrollment Process' under your child/ren's name. The EC Registration Form is located in the 'Optional Steps' section. Please be sure to complete a registration form for each child in your family that will be attending EC next school year. A \$50/child registration fee is due at the time of registration and can be paid via SchoolAdmin.

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## ***Immunizations Update***

The Department of Health has updated the requirements for the 2022-2023 school year. Students in preschool or kindergarten who are four years old or older on September 1st are required to have the additional dose of DTaP, IPV, MMR and varicella vaccines before the first day of school.

Students with summer birthdays will have less time to get vaccinated before the start of school, so parents should plan ahead and schedule their child's vaccination appointment before the school year starts.

Please send updated records to Charlotte at [cvanhollebeke@stcatherineschool.net](mailto:cvanhollebeke@stcatherineschool.net).

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## ***Attendance Procedures***

If your child/ren will be absent from school, please notify the school office at [attendance@stcatherineschool.net](mailto:attendance@stcatherineschool.net), as well as your child's homeroom teacher, no later than 8:30am on the day of the absence. Advanced notification of the absence (2-3 days before) is also greatly appreciated.

The safety of our students is our number one priority and the office will call home to verify the student's absence if a parent/guardian has not called or emailed.

If you know your child will be tardy due to a medical/dental/personal appointment, the office must be notified for the tardy to be excused. A parent/guardian must accompany a tardy student in to the school office to sign them in for the day.

If your child/ren will be absent from school for 2 or more days of school, please complete a [pre-planned absence form](#) and send it to [attendance@stcatherineschool.net](mailto:attendance@stcatherineschool.net) at least 2 weeks prior to the absences.

Regular attendance is important to the success of our students. Normally, illness, medical appointments and family emergencies are the only acceptable form of excused absence.

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### ***Summer Learning Expectations***

Summer is a great opportunity for students to relax, recharge...and review! Summer 2022 Learning Expectations were sent home on Monday with your child (grades K-4) and electronically sent (grades 5-7). [They can also be viewed here.](#)

Quick summary: 100 minutes of Math IXL total for the summer for current students grades 1-4 and 150 minutes of Math IXL for current students grades 5-7. Students currently in grades K-4 are encouraged to fill out Literacy Bingo boards for each month. Students currently in grades 5-7 will read novels assigned by their ELA teacher and complete projects of their choice from a list of options.

If you have any questions, please email Ms. Elsner [celsner@stcatherineschool.net](mailto:celsner@stcatherineschool.net).

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### ***Help our school get \$ back every time you shop at Amazon!***

As a participant in the Amazon Affiliate and AmazonSmile programs, a percentage of your Amazon purchases come back to us if you designate "St Catherine" as your charity of choice. Simply [CLICK HERE](#) (this link is also on our website under the "Parents" tab on the far right) to sign in to your Amazon account and place your order as usual (if you haven't signed up for AmazonSmile yet, it's quick and easy). The school will automatically receive a portion of all sales on orders placed through this [unique link](#) which is a combination of the Affiliate and Smile programs.

Thank you!



You shop. Amazon gives.

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### ***Fred Meyer/QFC Community Rewards***

Fred Meyer/QFC are part of a program called Community Rewards to give back to the community! Each year, Fred Meyer intends to donate \$2.5 million (up to \$625,000 per quarter) to local schools, non-profits, and charitable organizations. Customers can designate where these dollars get spent.

If you are a Fred Meyer customer head to Community Rewards and link your rewards card <https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>. When you shop with your rewards card, you'll help earn donation dollars to the charity of your choice. St. Catherine School organization code is AF109. You may select only one non-profit at a time. Also, note that this does NOT impact your quarterly Rewards or Fuel points. You'll still receive all those benefits on top of this program. Today we have 26 families linked to this program and we still receive rewards. Imagine our rewards if every school family took the time to register!



# MASS SCHEDULE

## ST. CATHERINE

SATURDAY	5PM
SUNDAY	*9:30AM
WEDNESDAY	9AM
FRIDAY	9AM

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CONFESSION	SATURDAY 3:30 - 4:30PM
ADORATION AT ST. BENEDICT	1ST FRIDAY 6 - 7PM
ANOINTING OF THE SICK	1ST FRIDAY 9AM

\*Livestream Available



### ROSARIES

WEDNESDAY	9:30AM
FRIDAY	9:30AM



### OPEN FOR PRAYER

FRIDAY	10AM - 12PM
SATURDAY	3:30 - 4:30PM

### ***Mission & Philosophy***

St. Catherine of Siena Parish School is a welcoming, Christ-centered community, rooted in the Catholic faith and inspired by Gospel values. As an extension of the parish and with Jesus as our model, we are dedicated to lifelong growth in faith, love, and learning.

We recognize that the care and education of the child begins with the family and that parents are the primary educators of their children. In partnership with parents, we work to promote our students' achievement and spiritual growth. Together we are committed to developing responsible, ethical leaders who think critically, act justly, communicate effectively, and serve willingly.

***Vision***

We are committed to providing a faith-filled, inclusive, and welcoming learning environment for all our students. Through our rigorous academic programs, our students will gain the cognitive, technological, and social skills necessary to become ethical, innovative leaders who successfully navigate the complex challenges of today's world.



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