

## Notes from Mrs. Nash

Embracing curious minds. Nurturing compassionate hearts.

St. John Fisher School – Together, we've got this

September 4, 2020

Dear SJF Families,

Well, we did it! We safely and successfully opened our doors to our students this week. I could not be prouder of our students, faculty, staff and parents as we embraced and adapted to this new normal together. Our campus, school buildings, curriculum, faculty and staff were all in place...we just needed our falcons! Their energy, perseverance and resilience are unmatched as they continue to remind us that we can do hard things and together we can overcome any challenge that comes our way!

As always, we are so grateful for your commitment to Catholic education, but specifically St. John Fisher. Thank you for remaining loyal to us during this surreal time. It means the world!

In unity and hope,

-Mrs. Maura Nash

#### **Covid Reminders**

- We all need to do our part and model safe behavior and mask wearing for our kids.
   While on campus, everyone (parents included) above the age of 2 must have a mask on at all times!
- Parents and students cannot congregate around the building. When students
  arrive, they are to walk directly to their door and enter upon arrival. Parents and
  caregivers are encouraged to remain in their cars or on the perimeter of campus in
  order to adhere to our social distance and safety guidelines. When on campus, all
  parents and students must social distance and remain masked and at least 6 feet
  apart from one another.
- SJF has put into place all of the recommended guidance and direction from the Archdiocese of Chicago, CDC, Illinois Department of Public Health and our state and local government officials. View this video outlining our safety procedures and protocols. Because we are following this guidance with the utmost of care, students and staff should remain healthy and safe while in school. Please partner with us and keep your children safe while outside of school. If we all follow this guidance, we will have a greater chance of keeping our doors open. While your child is not in school, please remind him/her to wear a mask, keep his/her distance, wash and sanitize his/her hands, stay home if he/she is sick. Here is an updated version or SJF's Health and Safety Plan.
- Please sign and return the *Covid Parent Waiver* that was sent home with your child this week. Thank you!
- Students may wear their gym uniforms to school every day until October 1, 2020. Gym uniforms and our new performance wear ½ zip can be purchased at Schools R' Us, 3146 W. 111<sup>th</sup> St. Chicago, IL.

- This year you need to **reserve your spot for Extended Day Care**. Due to the new Covid Safety Guidance, we can only serve 50 students at a time. <u>Here is the form</u> to reserve your spot!
- Our **Hot Lunch Program** is suspended for the immediate future, including milk. Students may bring their lunch in a lunch box or disposable bag.
- Start & End Times: To start the year, we are utilizing a staggered arrival and dismissal time for our falcons while we get used to our new normal! The arrival and dismissal times are as follows:

#### Monday - Friday

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Arrival Times	Last Name
7:40 a.m.	A - E
7:45 a.m.	F-L
7:50 a.m.	M - R
7:55 a.m.	S - Z
8:15 a.m.	ALL Preschool

#### Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday

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Dismissal Times	Last Name
2:40 p.m.	All Preschool & A - E
2:45 p.m.	F-L
2:50 p.m.	M - R
2:55 p.m.	S - Z

#### Wednesday – Early Dismissal Schedule

Dismissal Times	Last Name
12:30 p.m.	All Preschool & A - E
12:35 p.m.	F-L
12:40 p.m.	M - R
12:45 p.m.	S - Z

#### **Important Announcements**

- <u>Tuesday and Wednesday of this week will be early dismissals</u> @ 12:45. We will
  utilize the early dismissal schedule outlined above. ALL STUDENTS may bring a snack
  on Early Dismissal Days.
- SJF is thrilled to welcome **18 new families** this school year! Please see this video created by our welcoming committee for our new families. Welcome to our big St. John Fisher Falcon Family We are so happy you are here!
- Our amazing teachers and staff HAVE NEVER BEEN more excited to welcome our falcons to school! <u>Please see this video</u> that highlights our love and enthusiasm for our incredible students!

- New Employees: In case you missed it, <a href="here">here is general information about our new faculty members</a>! Also, please join me in welcoming SJF Alum, Chris Zackavek, our new Director of Maintenance.
- **Summer Packets:** Please make sure your students in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> have their completed <u>summer work</u> with them on September 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Forgotten Items: Parents/guardians cannot bring in students' forgotten items this school year.
- **Yearbook**: Please see the attached flyer for more information on ordering a 2019-2020 yearbook. Reach out to Mrs. Maxwell with any additional questions, dmaxwell@sjfschool.net.
- Stay connected with us: follow us on Instagram: stjohnfisher and like us on Facebook: facebook.com/sjfschoolchicago.

#### **Falcons in Action!**



We can't mask our excitement for being back in school!





We can do this Falcons!





We can do hard things!

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