



Dear Parents,

August 19, 2026



Smiling faces abound during these joyful beginning days of the new school year. What makes everyone so happy? It could be the fun skits that the older children put on for the little ones yesterday. Their renditions of **The Little Red Hen**, **Aesop's Fables**, **Pig Will and Pig Won't**, and **Ferdinand the Bull** were delightful, sweet, and cleverly done. The smiles could also be because they are together once again with friends and with kind and talented teachers. That certainly plays a big part in cheerful school days. I think, however, that the main reason for the happiness is because we have a school where Jesus is present and His way of goodness, beauty, and truth are the rule of life.

Welcome to a new school year and thank you for sending your children to St. James.

Calendar Correction: There **will be** a 2:20 p.m. dismissal on Monday, August 24 and Monday, August 31. Any Monday that we are in school has a dismissal at 2:20 p.m.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT is Tuesday, August 25. The School Family Association meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall followed by classroom visits. Back-to- School Night is a great opportunity to meet the teachers, and to learn about the curriculum and classroom policies. We hope to see all of you there!

Drop Off and Dismissal Times: St. James School day begins at 8:05 am. Children may be dropped off as early as 7:30 a.m. but no earlier, please. Dismissal begins at 2:20 p.m. on Mondays and 3:20 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

UNIFORMS Be sure to have your child(ren) in uniform. Please see the flyer coming home today for details. If you want to trade, buy or give away school uniforms please come to the school office. Jumpers are \$5; pants, sweaters and shirts are \$1. Jumpers which are still in good condition are always needed.

Coming Home Today: Uniform Update, Health and Wellness Plan, and Crete Parks and Recreation flyer.

In the Heart of Christ the King,

Sister Mary Alma, C.K.