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Weekly Newsletter

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“We Walk By Faith, Not By Sight” 2 Cor 5:7

WELCOME

We opened the school year with joy for having our staff back at school and about 30 students in our Learning Center, but we also felt an emptiness as we missed so many students enrolled in remote learning. We continually pray for a decline and final end to this pandemic, so we can have all students and staff back in school, but for now, we will be grateful that we have you all here, there, and everywhere!

PRINCIPAL'S NOTE

Our Theme this year is: “We Walk By Faith, Not By Sight” From 2 Cor 5:7. As we went through the end of last school year, and the summer, making, changing, and adapting school reopen plans, it just seemed appropriate to give it back to God, and to start to let God’s hand guide us. We are not always knowing the plan God has, but we can have Faith in Him!

VIRTUAL THURSDAY ENVELOPE

Each Thursday, except this week, you will receive a VIRTUAL Thursday envelope with important information through Option C. Please read the enclosed information and send any questions to info@srthea.org, or call the office. Remember, we have two office lines: 618 397-0316 or 618 397-4926.

ARRIVAL AND SIGN -ON

In-person students: arrive from 7:15 – 7:35 for breakfast, or by 7:50 if not eating breakfast.

Remote students: Log in for your homeroom class by 7:55.

MIINEHEALTH

All parents/guardians of in-person students must register on the MIINEHEALTH app. Students must be cleared before they arrive at school each day starting Monday. Several messages and info has been sent. Call office for questions.

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance, including Tardy Counts, will start Monday. Students must be on time and in each session. If a student has an issue, the parent/guardian should send the teacher a message and contact the office.

While we have not worked through all technical issues, we should be close as you have access to the student schedules, Zoom information, and contact information for teachers.

DISMISSAL

Monday through Friday: In-person students need to be picked up by 3:35. They are at the front of the school by about 3:25 each day. Remote students will finish about 3 PM as listed in class schedules.

UNIFORM

In-person students must follow student handbook uniform rules. Remote students must wear a uniform shirt or Sister Thea Sweatshirt.

REDUCED/FREE MEAL APPLICATION

Don't forget to complete the application for free/reduced meals and return it as soon as possible. The deadline for the application is **Tuesday, September 1**. **This is required for all students, so we can continue to receive Federal \$\$.**

FACTS for TUITION DEADLINE AUG 26!

All families must be enrolled in FACTS by Wed, Aug 26. Students will not be allowed in class if this is not done. For questions, contact the office or go to: <https://online.factsmtg.com/signin/42LK1> .

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NO SCHOOL

There will be NO SCHOOL on Labor Day, Monday, Sep. 7. School will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 8.

HOME STORAGE SYSTEM

We received a generous donation of milk crates, and we bought some liners. In-school students will get theirs for school use, and for remote students, please come to the school to pick one up. We want students to keep all of their school supplies, books, Chromebook, etc in a crate to stay organized. Decorate the crates and send a picture to info@srthea.org, and you may win a prize!!!

ZOOM ETIQUETTE : Please review these important rules with your students!!!

TEACHER OFFICE HOURS

Each Homeroom teacher will host an evening Office Hours weekly, so parents/guardians can ask questions, seek help, or just discuss information with the teacher. Please be sure to attend to keep communication open!

Calendar

August

26 FACTS Tuition Registration Due

September

1 Free / Reduced Lunch Worksheet Due
7 Labor Day. No School
11 Mass 2:00 PM (Staff Leads); First Quarter Mid-Term
17 First Qtr Mid Terms Issued
18 Pinwheels for Peace Project; Mass 2:00 PM (Staff Leads)
25 Mass 2:00 PM (Staff Leads)
30 Iowa Assessment Begins

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