



Saint James Elementary School

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Dear Saint James Elementary School Families,

Welcome Back!

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone back for another great school year here at Saint James Elementary School. I hope that your summer was filled with many fun family activities. All of us here at Saint James are excited to have your children back in our school, filling the halls with energy and enthusiasm for learning. Our dedicated teachers have been hard at work planning and creating wonderful learning activities to engage and inspire students to learn. It's hard to believe that we are already into our second week of school!

With the start of a new school year, there are a couple of important things we'd like to bring to your attention:

- **Mock Security Drills:** We know that the safety of your child(ren) is a paramount concern and we take that responsibility seriously at Saint James. That's why our teachers will be instructing all students on important security drills. These mock security drills are designed to help keep us all safe and teach your child(ren) what to do in case of an emergency. Even with this type of practice we know some of these drills can be confusing and/or scary for students. Please take some time to discuss the importance of these drills with your child.
- **Back to School Night:** Back to School Night will be held on Monday, September 16th, 2019 at 7PM. This year's Back to School Night will be a little different. A few changes for this year include:
 - **Entering the Building** –Please enter through the cafeteria doors located in the back parking lot. Teachers will be at the doors to greet you.
 - **Meet & Greet** – After some brief comments and introductions you will have the opportunity to enjoy some refreshments and meet your child's teacher, who will provide some information on the upcoming school year. This is a wonderful opportunity to form a relationship with your child's teachers, as well as learn about classroom expectations.
 - **SJES Organizations** - You will also have the opportunity to meet with the school's various organizations (PTA, SJAA, Royals Club) and obtain information.

From all of the faculty and staff here at Saint James, I would like to thank you for entrusting us with the spiritual and academic education of your child. We value your involvement and look forward to partnering with you in ensuring that your child experiences a successful and happy school year here at Saint James Elementary School.

Thank you for your support and we eagerly look forward to greeting you on Monday, September 16, 2019 at 7PM in the Saint James' cafeteria. It remains an honor and privilege to serve as your principal. Here's to the start of another great year!

Sincerely,
JoAnn Giordano
Principal