

June 17, 2020

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer and getting excited about the 2020-2021 school year! We are looking forward to having your child in kindergarten this year. Working together, we know we can make this a successful and rewarding experience for your child. This letter will provide you with important information to ensure a smooth start to the school year!

- Given the necessary health and safety precautions, there are still many plans that are being made for this school year. We have a group of teachers meeting weekly to develop procedures for arrival, dismissal, classrooms, lunch, etc. These details will be shared with families once they are complete.
- The 2020-2021 school calendar is available on our school's website at www.stjohnschool.org. We will send specific dates and times for parent and student orientations as soon as they are finalized. Please refer to our school website for information on school supply fees, class fees, and summer reading recommendations.
- There are \$15.00 class dues and a \$40.00 supply fee for kindergarten students. We will purchase the students' supplies for the year with the exception of the nap mat. All fees may be paid with one check, even for families with more than one student. Please make checks payable to St. John School and include the students' names(s) and grades on the check. The deadline for fees/dues is August 1, 2020. The mailing address is:

St. John School
58645 St. Clement Avenue
Plaquemine, LA 70764

- Kindergarten students will need a 1" blue and red Kindermat to use at naptime. The mats may be purchased at Wal-Mart. **Pillows, stuffed animals, and mat covers are not used in kindergarten.** Please label the mat with your child's name.
- Students will need a backpack with a zipper. It should be long enough to hold a folder.
- This summer, we are encouraging students to read as much as they can of whatever books they want! Students can keep a log of the books they read over the summer and bring it back in the fall for a special reward! Book suggestions can be found on our website.
- Students in kindergarten are required to follow the uniform guidelines, as stated in the St. John School Handbook found on our school website at www.stjohnschool.org. Uniforms must be purchased at School Time in Baton Rouge (225-926-5371). The store is open for business and customers age 10 and over are asked to wear a mask. Uniform guidelines for kindergarten students are included with this letter.

Again, we are looking forward to a great year. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office at 225-687-6616. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Cherie B. Schlatre

Principal, St. John School

St. John School Uniform Guidelines

BOYS

Shirt- white knit collared shirt with official school logo, long or short sleeved, purchased at School Time

Pants– khaki uniform slacks with official school logo above the left rear pocket purchased at School Time, worn at the natural waist.

Shorts (K – 8 ONLY) - khaki uniform shorts with official school logo above the left rear pocket.

Socks - solid navy, black, grey, or white crew socks or ankle socks, "no show" socks are not allowed.

Shoes - (ALL) solid black, brown, or navy leather dress shoes or "Sperry" type boat shoes with blending tones

(K – 8 ONLY) solid black, white, navy or gray tennis shoes, or any combination of black, white, navy, or gray (these four colors only) tennis shoes with matching laces; white/black saddle oxfords or white/blue saddle oxfords.

Belts - solid navy, tan, black, or brown belt. Belt buckles should be simple and discreet with no writing or pictures.

Jackets/Coats – Navy fleece, pullover with short zipper, or navy fleece pullover with long zip-up front with official school logo below the back collar, purchased at School Time. St. John letterman's jackets and St. John team apparel are also acceptable. Coats worn on school grounds, outside the school building, may be any color, but may not be denim, flannel, or camouflage. Coats that are not solid navy must be removed before entering the school building.

Jewelry – A single necklace, cross, religious medal, bracelet and wristwatch may be worn.

Undershirts - Solid white T-shirts may be worn under the uniform shirt. T-shirts must be tucked in at all times; the sleeves and hem of a t-shirt must be covered by the uniform shirt.

On very cold days, a solid white turtleneck may be worn under a long-sleeved uniform shirt.

NOTE: Pullover outerwear and/or sweatshirts of any kind other than the navy fleece are not permitted.

GIRLS

Blouses (Knit)

White knit collared blouse with official school logo, long or short sleeved, purchased at School Time may be worn with the jumper, skirt, shorts, and pants.

Blouses (Oxford)

(K – 8) White oxford button-down collar blouse without school logo, long or short sleeved, purchased at School Time may be worn with the jumper

(9 – 12) - White oxford button-down collar blouse without the school logo, long or short sleeved, purchased at School Time MUST be worn with the navy vest or sweater. Only the top button of the blouse may be left open.

Skirt - navy, gold, and white plaid skirt purchased at School Time, may be worn with white knit collared blouse with official school logo. Skirts must be worn at the natural waist. The hemline of the skirt (front and back) must reach the top of the knee. Skirts are not to be rolled at any time.

Jumpers (PK - 8 Only)- navy, gold, and white plaid jumper purchased at School Time, may be worn in grades K – 5 with white knit collared blouse with school logo, white oxford blouse without school logo, or without a blouse in warm weather.

Shorts(K – 8 ONLY) - navy, gold, and white plaid walking shorts purchased at School Time, may be worn with white knit collared blouse with official school logo, long or short sleeved.

Pants - khaki uniform pants with official school logo above the left rear pocket purchased at School Time, worn with white knit collared shirt with official school logo, long or short sleeved, purchased at School Time.

Socks - solid navy, grey, or white crew socks, knee socks, or ankle socks, "no show" socks are not allowed

Shoes - (ALL) solid black, brown, or navy leather dress shoes or "Sperry" type boat shoes with blending tones **(K – 8 ONLY)** solid black, white, navy or gray tennis shoes, or any combination of black, white, navy, or gray (these four colors only) tennis shoes with matching laces; white/black saddle oxfords or white/blue saddle oxfords.

Belts - solid navy, tan, black, or brown belt; belts must be worn with girls slacks. Belt buckles should be simple and discreet with no writing or pictures.

Jackets/Coats – Navy fleece, pullover with short zipper, or navy fleece pullover long zip-up front with official school logo below the back collar, purchased at School Time. St. John letterman's jackets are also acceptable. Coats worn on school grounds, outside the school building, may be any color, but may not be denim, flannel, or camouflage. Coats that are not solid navy must be removed before entering the school building.

*Student in K – 5 may also wear the vest and v-neck sweater optional to the fleece.

Jewelry – Girls may have one or two piercings in their earlobes. Earrings worn must be matching. A single necklace, cross, religious medal, bracelet and wristwatch may be worn.

Undergarments - Solid white T-shirts may be worn under the uniform shirt. T-shirts must be tucked in at all times; the sleeves and hem of a t-shirt must be covered by the uniform shirt. On very cold days, a solid white turtleneck may be worn under a long-sleeved uniform shirt. Bras should not be visible through the white uniform shirt, and bra straps should not be visible at the neckline of the uniform shirt.

Hair Accessories - Girls are allowed to wear bows and "scrunchie-type" ponytail holders which are uniform plaid, navy, white, gold, or a combination of these colors. Clips and hair bands should be navy, gold, white, brown, black, or tortoise shell.

NOTE: Pullover outerwear and/or sweatshirts of any kind other than the navy fleece are not permitted.