

PRINCIPAL'S BULLETIN

July 15, 2025



From the Principal

Happy Summer! I hope that this message finds you all well! This month we celebrated the 4th of July and I always find it to be a great time of celebration and time with family and friends. I hope that you have all been able to find joy and happiness over the past few weeks since the end of the school year. It's hard to believe that in just a few short weeks we will be welcoming back students, faculty, and staff for the 2025.2026 school year! Plans and preparations are in full swing currently around the school and excitement is building with each passing day!

It has been a busy summer so far for me around the school. Officially I started as the St. John the Baptist Catholic School Principal on June 19th, and I have been familiarizing myself with everything about the SJB School and Parish community. It has been wonderful to speak, meet, and greet so many people within the SJB community already in just a short amount of time. Everyone has been so welcoming and kind in bringing me into this community.

I also wanted to let everyone know that I successfully defended my dissertation on June 18th on strategies to reduce student absenteeism within private high schools. It has been a long three years in my educational journey, but a very rewarding experience for me personally and professionally. Thank you for all of your prayers and support while I was completing this program to receive my Doctorate in Education.

Lastly, please take a moment to read through this bulletin as there is important information regarding events and logistical information to get you ready for the upcoming school year.

God bless,

Dr. Matthew Weingartz

Upcoming Events

Used Uniform Sale	Aug 4
Kindergarten Parent Meet & Greets	Aug 6-7
New Parent Night (K-8)	Aug 12
Teacher/Staff Workshops Begin	Aug 20
Kindergarten Picnic	Aug 21
Meet My Teacher Night (K-8 students)	Aug 27
First Day of School	Sept 2

Quick Links:

- [K-8 School Supply List 2025-2026](#)
- [2025-2026 School Calendar](#)
- [Preschool Page](#)
- [Virtus Information](#)

Tuition Accounts for the 2025-2026 School Year

Families will be receiving an email from TADS Tuition Management Company with information and a link to set up your tuition payments for the 2025-2026 school year. Please complete this setup as soon as possible as payments should begin in August. Payment options are outlined in the agreement but families will have the following options:

1. Pay tuition in full by August 20th and receive \$100 off.
2. Pay tuition in 2 installments - the first half in August 2025 and the second in January 2026.
3. Pay your tuition in 10 monthly installments - August 2025 through May 2026.

Additional charges may be added to your accounts throughout the school year as necessary. These charges include athletic fees, activity fees, etc. These fees will be added to your regular tuition bill if possible. Preschool Care Crew and SJB J-Care charges will be billed separately and their due dates will be determined by Preschool and J-Care Directors. All extra charges will be withdrawn automatically from your account on file if your account is set for automatic withdrawal. If you manually make tuition payments, it will also be required to do so for any incidentals that are charged to your account.



If you have questions or problems with the set up of your account, please contact the Tads helpline directly at 612-548-3320.

If you have questions regarding the charges on your account, please contact Joy Thienes at thienesj@stjohnnyb.org.

Uniforms for the 2025-26 School Year

St. John the Baptist Catholic School has chosen to be a uniform-wearing school. One focus for this upcoming school year is to enforce the current uniform policy thus it is very important that parents read, know, and support the dress code. You can find the Uniform Policy on the school website: [SJB Uniform Policy](#)

Uniform items may be purchased new at Donald's Uniform or at the Used Uniform Sale in August.

Used Uniform Sale - Monday, August 4th

The Used Uniform Sale is an opportunity to purchase gently used uniforms at greatly discounted prices. The uniforms are donated by the families of St. John the Baptist School. We have two used sales each year - August and January. Our August sale will be held on Monday, August 4th from 3:00-6:00pm in St. Joseph Hall. Please enter through the main Church doors. Payment accepted at the sale is cash or check (to St. John's) only.



We accept donations of gently used uniform pants, shorts, shirts, skirts, jumpers and spirit wear to the school office at any time. Drop all donations in the Uniform drop box that is outside the office door against the wall - thank you!

*** PLEASE NO CLOTHING WITH RIPPED HEMS, TEARS, HOLES, MULTIPLE STAINS OR MISSING BUTTONS ***

Donald's Uniform

Donald's Uniform is the designated supplier of the SJB uniforms to assure a commonality and uniformity in dress. New monogrammed shirts, fleece, sweaters and plaid jumpers or skirts must be purchased through Donald's Uniform. When you order from Donald's, you have the option to ship the items directly to SJB for free. Use the following coupon code:

STS1665. Shipments will go out approximately once per month. If you need your items sooner, please choose the Call When Ready In-Store Pickup option (no charge) or pay to have your items shipped to your home.



Note: when items arrive at St. John's, the office staff will contact you to let you know that items are here or will send them home with your student.

Register for Sacraments - Early Bird Pricing!

Registration is now open for our 2025-2026 Formation Programs: Sunday School, First Sacraments, Family Formation, Middle School Formation and Confirmation. Register now and received the early rate until July 31st.

For more information on the programs, see the parish website or contact the program coordinator:

[First Sacraments Registration and Information](#)



Mass Appeal

An Interactive Teaching on the Mass

Tuesday, July 29 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, New Brighton

Explore the depth, riches and Scriptural connections of the Mass with parishioner Rob Jensen and Fr. Derek Gilde.



"This is none other than the house of God, and...the gate of heaven."
(Gen 28:17)

GRANDPARENT MINISTRY

How to Pass on the Faith to Our Grandchildren

All "new and seasoned" grandparents are invited to a complimentary dinner and presentation on Wednesday, July 30th in room 206. Our featured presenter is Kelly Wahlquist, renowned Catholic speaker and author, Director of the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute, SJB alum, and new Grandma. Dinner begins at 6:10pm with the presentation starting at 6:40pm.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 30 IN ROOM 206
COMPLIMENTARY DINNER AT 6:10 PM
PRESENTATION AT 6:40 PM
PLEASE RSVP BY SUNDAY, JULY 27



RSVP and Questions to Rita Spiess at rspieess1@msn.com

The Way of the Cross Archdiocese Parish Pilgrimage

On this trip:

- Transportation by bus
- Visit three parishes
- Guided tour
- Holy Mass
- Confessions
- Stations of the Cross
- Plenary Indulgence opportunity
- Dinner included

Join us on Sunday, July 20
from 1:00 pm - 7:30 pm

\$20 per person
Scan the QR code to register!

[Ask about our family deal](#)



Questions? Email Joseph at joseph@stjohnny.org

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Kick-Off
Sept 17th

MIDDLE
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FORMATION



WEDNESDAYS
6 - 7:30 PM

Engaging Way to Study God's Word and
Lay a Firm Foundation of Faith.

Registration costs \$65