

PRINCIPAL'S BULLETIN

July 31, 2025



From the Principal

Dear families,

It is the last day of July from the Principal's office! As we prepare to welcome students back for a brand new school year at SJB, we want to extend a heartfelt welcome to all of you, both our returning families and those joining SJB for the first time. The start of the school year is always a special time, filled with anticipation, new beginnings, and endless possibilities. I couldn't be more excited to start the new school year and walk the halls with our amazing students, faculty, and staff.

Over the next few weeks, we are excited about the opportunity to reconnect with familiar faces and get to know new ones as we work together to make this year one of growth, learning, and joy. Our teachers and staff have been working hard to create a safe, supportive, and inspiring learning environment where every student can thrive.



This year brings new opportunities for academic success, creative expression, and building friendships. We look forward to partnering with you to support your child's journey every step of the way this school year! Please take a look at this week's bulletin for more information about all of the events and activities on the horizon!

God bless,
Dr. 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](#)
- [Educational Benefits Form](#)

Busing for the 2025-2026 School Year

MV District Busing: For those families that reside within the Mounds View District or utilize busing from an address within the MV district, you must complete the online Transportation Registration. This form must be completed in order for your child to have busing. Please be sure to note if you owe a fee for this bus service. Payments should be directed to the district offices.

Complete the following link to register your child for district busing for the 2025-2026 school year:

[Mounds View District Busing Registration 2025-2026 School Year](#)



Blaine Charter Busing: We charter two buses to the Blaine area each school year. Registration information on these two buses was sent to families via email. If we mistakenly missed any families or if you did not see the email, below is the link for more information and registration:

[Blaine Area SJB Charter Bus Registration](#)

Meet My Teacher Night

Plan to join us on Wednesday, August 27th for our Meet My Teacher Night for students and their parents in grades K-8. On this evening, you and your students will be able to drop off school supplies, meet your child's teacher, sign up for sacraments, and drop off medications or paperwork to office staff. More details will be coming in future bulletins, but be sure to put this on your calendar now.

A promotional poster for a "Meet My Teacher Night" event. The background is a light-colored, textured surface with blue chalk-like drawings of a fan, a spiral, and a triangle. The text is in blue. At the bottom right, there is a photograph of school supplies including a red alarm clock, a green apple, a ruler, a protractor, a pencil sharpener, and a pencil holder filled with various pens and pencils. The logo for St. John the Baptist Catholic School is in the top left corner.

St. John the Baptist
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

MEET MY TEACHER NIGHT

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

Last Names A-L: 4:00-5:00pm
Last Names M-Z: 5:30-6:30pm

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, check (to St. John's) or Venmo.

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.

Volunteering at SJB and Virtus

As part of the tuition agreement, each SJB family with students in grades K-8 are asked to volunteer for a minimum of 25 hours throughout the school year. These hours can be completed through school and/or parish activities as our hope is that you find ways to be involved in our entire SJB community.

Volunteer Tracking: Please keep track of the hours you volunteer throughout the school year. You may use the [Volunteer Tracking Form](#) or any other way that makes sense for you and your family. We will ask for hours to be submitted in the spring of 2026, but if you complete your hours early, they may be turned in to the school office at any time.

Virtus: Please note that any volunteer activities that involve our school students require the completion of [VIRTUS](#). Virtus is an Archdiocesan requirement for all employees and volunteers who interact with minors. Volunteers are required to complete the "Essential Three" requirements (which must be renewed every three years), The E3 This includes completion of the VIRTUS training as well as submission of the Volunteer Application and a Background Check.

Contact Alison Wacek with any questions: waceka@stjohnnyb.org or 651-633-1522 x 1127

SPRUCE UP THE SCHOOL

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
AUGUST 11 | 6 PM - 8 PM

Meet outside door 12

Come join us in getting the grounds ready for school to start! We will be doing everything from weeding to general maintenance. Bring your rakes, tools, shovels and be ready to work!

Volunteer hours granted for every adult that helps! Any student helper must be accompanied and supervised by their grownup.

EMAIL: WACEKA@STJOHNNYB.ORG
IF INTERESTED IN HELPING!



Any SJB students who come and help with a parent will receive a non-uniform pass for the upcoming school year!

Stockyard Days Parade - Saturday August 9th

Please save the date! St. John's School will be participating in the New Brighton Stockyard Days Parade on Saturday, August 9th, and we would love for you to join us!

We are looking for students and parents to wear their SJB Spirit Wear or school colors (blue and white) and join us in promoting our school. Participating students will earn a non-uniform pass, and parents will earn volunteer hours. All students must be accompanied by an adult. This is a great way to earn some volunteer hours before the school year begins!

**New Brighton
Stockyard Days**
2025
AUGUST 8-10

We will be walking the route again this year. Strollers and/or wagons are encouraged. Please wear comfortable shoes, bring a water bottle, and wear sunscreen – a backpack may be a good idea to carry belongings. We will be handing out candy along the parade route and providing postcards to those who inquire. We will also have two individuals carrying a sign to identify who we are.

The parade begins at 10am, so we ask all participants to arrive to our spot by 9:45am. We are typically staged in the Parish parking lot; however, we have not been given the official line-up yet. As we get closer to the day of the parade, a reminder with more specific details will be sent out.

If you are planning to be there, please email Michelle Barsness (barsnessm@stjohnnyb.org), so we have an approximate count of participants (and have non-uniform passes ready for the students).

We hope to see many of our St. John's families at the parade!

Registration for First Sacraments

Registration for our First Sacraments program is open. Children in grade 2 can participate in being formed for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharist (First Holy Communion). The Sacrament of Baptism is a pre-requisite.

For more information contact Matthew Sell, Coordinator of Sacramental Formation and Liturgical Life at sellm@stjohnnyb.org or 651.633. 8333 ext. 1219.

For information on the Sacrament of Baptism, contact Jill Fink, Director of Discipleship at finkj@stjohnnyb.org at 651.633.8333 ext. 1280.

Registration is also open for all 2025-2026 Formation Programs: Sunday School, First Sacraments, Family Formation, Middle School Formation and Confirmation.

[First Sacraments Registration and Information](#)



St. John's FallFest

September 26, 27, and 28, 2025



Live Music!



Food and Drinks!



Raffle!



Fun Run!

Traditional Booya!



Car Show!



Fireworks!



Tournaments!
(golf, pickleball, bags)



Kids Games!

Silent Auction!



And so much more!



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Scan the QR code to learn more!