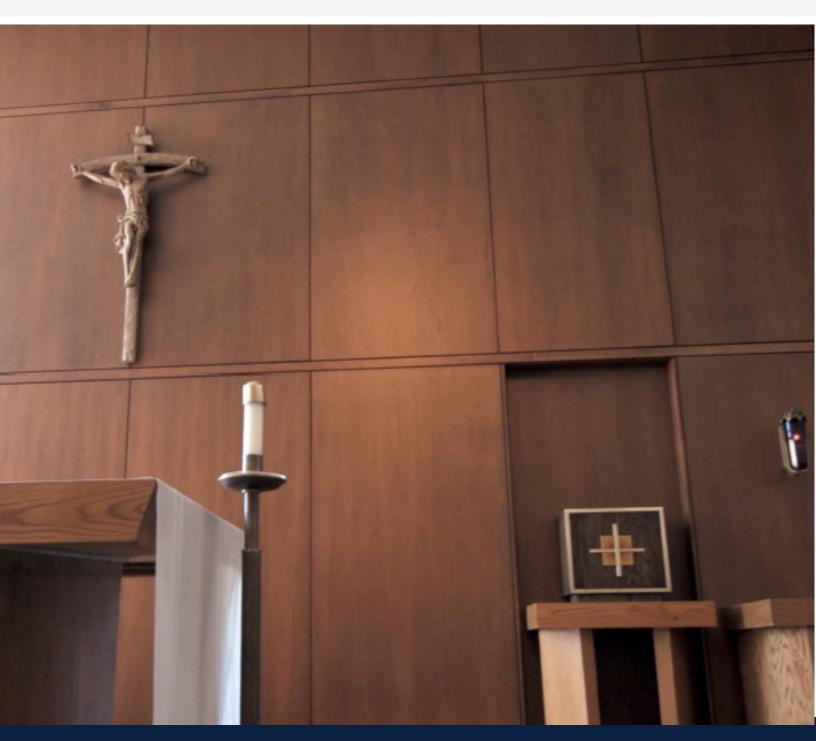


# Back to School Guide

2022-2023



**First Day of School** Wednesday, August 10

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## Welcome Back!

Dear Parents,

Welcome to All Saints Catholic School! We are so pleased that your family has chosen to partner with us in your child's education. I am thankful for the trust and confidence you have placed in us and for the unwavering support that you have shown us in these past months. At ASCS, our faculty and staff consider it to be a great privilege to share in the formation of each and every child, helping them to be the people God created them to be.

Following an unprecedented year in education, we are eager to return to normal and bring back the exceptional co-curricular, after school, and athletic programs that distiguishes All Saints as the premier Catholic elementary school in the Diocese of Dallas.

At All Saints, we are committed to excellence in faith, academics, character, and service. We believe that with our Lord's help and a strong parent, school, and student partnership, each child can achieve that excellence. We are looking forward to an incredible year and to seeing you at the Meet the Teacher. Again, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the All Saints family.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.



Yours in Christ,

Shana Druffner

## Important Dates

Wednesday, August 3	Meet the Teacher Grades 4-5 (5:30-6:30 p.m.) Last Names A-K
	Meet the Teacher Grades 6-8 (5:30-6:30 p.m.) <i>Last Names L-Z</i>
	Meet the Teacher Grades 4-5 (7:00-8:00 p.m.) <i>Last Names L-Z</i>
	Meet the Teacher Grades 6-8 (7:00-8:00 p.m.) <i>Last Names A-K</i>
Thursday, August 4	Meet the Teacher for PreK and Kinder (5:30-6:30 p.m.)
	Meet the Teacher for Grades 1-3 (7:00-8:00 p.m.)
Saturday, August 6	New Family Orientation with Principal Druffner (5:00-6:00 p.m.)
	Students Meet their Teacher (6:00-6:30)

Hot Dog Dinner and Fellowship(6:30-8:00 p.m.)

## First Days of School

Wednesday, August 10 Early Dismissal Thursday, August 11 Regular Dismissal



### Fundraising and Community Events Thursday, September 22, 2022 North Texas Giving Day

Saturday and Sunday, October 2-3, 2022All Saints Catholic Church Fall FestivalFriday and Saturday, October 21-22, 2022ASWO Church BazaarFriday, October 28, 2022Trunk or TreatFriday November 18, 2022Grandparents' DayFebruary 25, 2023ASCS Gala and AuctionMay 2023ASCS Golf Tournament o

## Communications

### How do I know what is happening?

#### All Saints Catholic School App

Through the All Saints Catholic School app, you have access to all things All Saints in one place on your phone! From the All Saints app, you can access the Homework Drive, ParentsWeb, the official school calendar, volunteer opportunities, lunch menus, Scrip cards, and notify the front office of an absence. The All Saints app can be downloaded at the Google Play Store or the istore.

#### **Homework Drive**

All Saints Catholic School faculty posts your child's homework every afternoon on the Homework Drive. This Google document contains all homework for every grade and every class. Click the link to access the homework drive then click the appropriate tab along the bottom of the sheet to see what and when homework is due.

#### ParentsWeb/RenWeb

All Saints Catholic School utilizes ParentsWeb to communicate status updates about your child's grades and behavior. As a parent, you can always log in to ParentsWeb to check grades, access the school directory, and check your FACTS account information.

### FACTS

Tuition and fees are billed through our FACTS Management system. Please contact Dioni Cuellar at 214-217-3308 for billing questions.

#### This Week at All Saints

Each week, the new This Week at All Saints will be published on the web. This website will include news from school administration, the weekly calendar, as well as updates and highlights from our students, faculty, and alumni.

### **Teacher Newsletters**

Your homeroom teacher will post a weekly newsletter on the school's Google Drive to provide information about the content being covered in each class. The newsletters are a resource to keep parents informed of the topics and happenings of our classrooms.



#### Homeroom Parents and Teacher Emails

You may receive email reminders from your teachers and homeroom parents of upcoming events or changes to previously scheduled events. Please check your email regularly and provide All Saints with any changes in your contact information.

#### ParentAlert

Our ParentAlert system sends messages directly to your phone. ParentAlert is for emergency purposes only, including severe weather alerts that affect carpool.

#### Follow us on Social Media



@All Saints Catholic School

@ascseagles

## Carpool

Pick up your carpool tags in August at Meet the Teacher.

Tags must be displayed on the front windshield of your vehicle in order to pick up children from school. If you need extra tags, please contact our Receptionist, Mignon Finch at 214-217-3300 or MFinch@AllSaintsK8.org.

### Entry Process (after 7:40 am please bring students to front doors.) Three Entry Points

7 <b>:20</b> a.m.	Eagles AfterCare Doors	PreK-Kinder
7:25 a.m.	Front and Back Carpool	Grades 1-5
7:35 a.m.	Front and Back Carpool	Grades 6-8

\*Families with multiple children should follow their youngest child's drop off schedule.

### **Dismissal Process**

### Two Dismissal Times

<b>3:00</b> p.m.	PreK- K
3:15 p.m.	Front and Back Carpool

Students may walk home if parents or guardians have completed the Permission to Walk Home form during the registration process. Students who have a parent or guardian's permission to walk home unsupervised will be released by a teacher from the doors on the west side of the building. Students will not be released until carpool has begun.

### Helpful Carpool Reminders

- Parents MUST wait in their vehicles until their student(s) has entered the building
- Parents/guardians of PreK and Kinder students should assist their children out of the car
- No cell phone use or texting during carpool
- No car may be left unattended in the school fire lanes
- Please watch for children and teachers in the carpool line
- Students should exit and enter vehicles curbside
- Vehicles should be placed in park when students are entering or exiting vehicles
- Drivers should never get out of line to drive around another car
- If families are tardy in the morning, parents will be required to walk their student to the front entrance of the school



## Nurse's Office

Nurse Jamie Nystrom is available to students on school days. Services provided by the clinic include first aid, managing medical emergencies, medication administration, and monitoring ill students until a parent arrives to pick them up.

The clinic does supply some common over-the-counter (OTC) medications for students with parent permission. These common OTC medications include:

- Antibiotic cream (i.e. Triple Antibiotic Ointment)
- Benadryl Cream and Caladryl Clear Lotion
- Hydrocortisone Cream (i.e. 1% Hydrocortisone Cream)
- Acetaminophen (i.e. Tylenol)
- Antihistamine (Diphenhydramine HCL i.e. Benadryl)
- Ibuprofen (i.e. Advil/Motrin)
- Antacid (i.e. Pepto-Bismol)
- Cetrizine HCL (Zyrtec) and Loratadine (i.e. Claritin)
- Cough Drops (≥10 years of age)
- Midol
- Mucinex

\* A completed Parent Permission form will be required before any OTC medication can be administered at school \* OTC medication will be given at the manufacturer's recommended dosage.

If there are medications not listed on this form, the *Parent* must bring the medication to the clinic in the <u>original</u> <u>container/pharmacy bottle</u>. All OTC and prescription medications must be kept in the clinic. Students are not allowed to hold medicine or self-medicate. If your child has prescription medicine, please use the ASCS Medication Request Form found on RenWeb and on the ASCS App under the Nurse's Corner.

In consideration of our students and staff, please keep your child home from school if he/she:

- Is ill or not feeling well;
- Is experiencing a temperature ≥100 degrees, he or she must stay home until fever-free for 24 hours without the aid of fever-reducing medication;
- Has vomited or experienced diarrhea in the last 24 hours without medication to suppress symptoms;
- Please contact the ASCS clinic if you have any question regarding sending your child back to school.

\*Please see the ASCS Family Handbook for more information on the clinic policies and procedures.

For more information, contact the school nurse, Mrs. Jamie Nystrom, at JNystrom@AllSaintsK8.org.



## Student Counseling and Academic Services-

All Saints has a Guidance Counselor on campus. Any students and/or parents may consult with the Guidance Counselor to address the individual needs of their students. The counselor is available to meet with students during the school day to aid in their social and emotional development. If you would like to meet with the school counselor or have questions, please email Nicole Stock at NStock@AllSaintsK8.org.

All Saints also provides accommodations to students with a diagnosed learning difference. A quiet testing center is available daily to students who require this accommodation. If your child has a diagnosed learning difference, please provide All Saints with a copy of his/her diagnostic report. Parents are responsible for providing updated testing every three years or when there are changes to your child's diagnosis.

## **Catholic Identity and Worship**

All Saints Catholic School provides a faith-filled environment to teach students how to be in a relationship with Jesus Christ and to participate in the fullness of the Catholic Church. Students attend Mass weekly on Thursdays. Additionally, students pray the rosary and attend Eucharistic Adoration on a monthly basis.



## Get Involved

Parent involvement is one of the many things that makes All Saints a great community. All parents are encouraged to participate in the life of the school through various volunteer opportunities, such as the Home and School Association (HSA), the Dad's Club, the School Advisory Council, and the School Finance Council.

### Home and School Association

All parents of All Saints Catholic School students are members of the HSA. This organization is led by an Executive Board and committees that support ASCS through fundraising, volunteer coordination, hospitality, and teacher appreciation. The HSA Executive Board is established through elections that take place annually in April. For more information about the HSA or to get involved, contact the HSA President, Beth Buitron.



### Dad's Club

The ASCS Dad's Club was founded to help ASCS Dads become involved and build community. All school dads are automatically members! The club's mission is to provide opportunities for families to gather and socialize, raise funds for scholarships for students, and build community. Several events are held throughout the year to provide an opportunity for all dads to become involved.

## Eagles AfterCare

All Saints Catholic School understands some parents may need to utilize AfterCare for their children. The schedule is as follows;

**Afternoon Hours** 3:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Early Dismissal Day Hours 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. (Includes Lunch)

Afternoon AfterCare is \$8 per hour (\$24 per day maximum) or \$100 per week.

For more information, contact Eagles AfterCare Director Andrea LaGreca at ALaGreca@AllSaintsK8.org.

### Uniform and Dress Down Days

Academic Outfitters in Plano is the official provider of All Saints Catholic

Eagle Store(Used Uniforms located in the back of the atrium) Open 7:30-3:30 pm School Days

### Spirit Wear And Spirit Days

The Home and School Association (HSA) offers school spirit wear for purchase. On Spirit Day, the third Wednesday of every month, students may wear any ASCS spirit t-shirt or sweatshirt with blue jeans (with no rips), uniform pants, uniform walking shorts, uniform skirts, and tennis shoes. The dates are listed below:

> August 17 September 21 October 19 November 16 January 18 February 15 April 19 May 17



Additionally, All Saints students can participate in \$2 Blue & White days to support various school needs such as our prayer gardens, vegetable gardens, and various charitable causes. On Blue and White days, students may wear a blue and white shirt, t-shirt, or sweatshirt with blue jeans (with no rips), uniform pants, uniform walking shorts, uniform skirts, and tennis shoes. The dates are listed below:

September 7
October 5
November 9
December 7
January <b>4</b>
February <b>1</b>
March 8
April 5
May <b>3</b>

Academic Outfitters

Academic Outfitters in Plano is the official provider of All Saints Catholic School's uniform. Complete uniform guidelines can be found in the ASCS Family Handbook.

## Technology

At All Saints Catholic School, Chromebooks are required for all students in 6th through 8th grades. For the 2022-2023 school year, we will have Chromebooks available for 1st-5th grade and Chromebook tablets for PreK and Kindergarten. There will also be a Chromebook cart in the Innovation Lab for use with coding projects and other lab activities.

Student Chromebooks can be purchased from one of the many sources available provided it meets the minimum requirements outlined below.



	Minimum	Recommended
Processor	Any	Any
Chrome Release	Examples: Intel Celeron AMD A4 Series <b>100 or above</b>	Examples: Intel Celeron Intel i3, i5 or i7 Intel Core M3 or M5 AMD A4 Series
RAM	4GB	4GB
Storage (SSD)	16GB	32GB
Screen	11.6"	Any
Broadband (Cellular capabilities)	Not Allowed	Not Allowed
Protection Plan	Any	3yr with accidental damage coverage
Touch screen / Hinge options	There are many choices here but nothing specifically required or restricted	

### Chromebook Management License

All Student Chromebooks must have the ASCS Chromebook Management License installed before it can be used on campus. This license allows Chromebooks to be centrally managed and for a certain set of policies to be installed and enforced on the devices. These policies will remain in place on these devices, both on and off campus.

4th through 8th grade students who are new to the ASCS Chromebook Program must contact the Director of IT for the Chromebook to be configured and returned to students in class.

Please contact Ken Steponaitis, Director of Information Technology, at KSteponaitis@AllSaintsK8.org or 214-217-3328 if you have any questions.

\*We will do what we can to troubleshoot issues with student Chromebooks but technical support or warranty claims for these devices need to managed by the student/family.

## Athletics

All Saints participates in the Dallas Parochial League, alongside 29 other Catholic schools in the Diocese of Dallas. The All Saints Athletic Program offers 11 sports and emphasizes good sportsmanship, teamwork, and fun. All 5th-8th grade students are eligible to participate in the All Saints Athletic Program.

Be sure to complete the following steps in order to be eligible to participate on an official All Saints Catholic School athletic team.

- 1. Register for your sport before the deadline. The Athletic Director will send information via email about registration and payment for each sport.
- 2. Complete the DPL Sports Physical Form found on ParentsWeb and return it to the school nurse.
- 3. Ensure your student is passing all classes. All Saints Catholic School enforces a No Pass, No Play policy as outlined in our Family Handbook.





Fall Season (August - November)

> Cross Country Flag Football Football Volleyball

Winter Season (January - March) Basketball

### Spring Season (March - May)

Baseball & Softball Co-Soccer Futsal Track & Field Golf

### Need More Information?

### Kristi Uhlemann

### Athletic Director

KUhlemann@AllSaintsK8.org 214-217-3334

All Saints teams are coached by parent volunteers. Volunteer coaches must be Safe Environment cleared and attend the Play Like a Champion workshop. If you would like to coach a team, please contact our Athletic Director.



## Safe Environment

ASCS abides by the Dallas Diocesan Safe Environment policy. All adults working, volunteering, or interacting with children in the school or attending field trips must be Safe Environment cleared through All Saints Catholic Church Safe Environment program and wear their security badge in the building or when working with students.

To become a Safe Environment cleared adult, follow the checklist provided at: www.allsaintsdallas.org/education/safe-environment/safe

Once you have been cleared, you will need to renew your training annually through an online training class or watch a Safe Environment video and fill out the requisite forms. Always wear your Safe Environment badge when you are volunteering at the school or at the church.

More Information about the Safe Environment Program can be found on the All Saints Catholic Church website or contact:

Elizabeth Horsley Safe Environment Director 972-778-0311 EHorsley@AllSaintsDallas.org

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