



## St. Thomas More Catholic School

### Weekly Updates from the Principal

August 11, 2021

***“Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.” (Matthew 19:14)***

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### Important Dates

August 24, 2021	4:30 - 6:30pm	Orientation & Open House
August 26, 2021	8:15am	First Day of School! Welcome Back!
September 2, 2021	5:30pm	Family Get-Together
September 6, 2021	All Day	No School, Labor Day
September 27, 2021	All Day	Picture Day

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### NEWS FROM STM

#### Back to School Packet Pick Up

If you have not already done so, please stop by the STM Office to pick up your family's back to school packet. The packet is filled with great information and a few forms that we would like you to fill out. The office hours are Monday through Thursday 9:00am - 2:30pm. If you would prefer your packet be mailed, please notify the office of your request.

#### Orientation & Open House

We look forward to meeting you and your family at our Orientation and Open House On Tuesday, August 24th from 4:30-6:30pm. Students and parents may meet their teacher, drop off their school supplies and take care of any necessary paperwork from 4:30-5:30. Then, beginning at 6:30 in the Cafeteria, we will have a mandatory meeting for parents and students to talk about the expectations for the upcoming school year. Childcare will be provided for younger children. See you soon!

#### School Supply Lists

School supply lists can be found on our website by [clicking on this link](#). There are also lists available to pick up from the school office.

### **Family Get-Together; Save The Date!!**

We are excited to announce our very first Family Get-Together which will take place on Thursday, September 2, 2021 at 5:30pm. Please come and enjoy some snacks as we get to know each other. There will be some information provided to families on various ways that families can get involved with helping St. Thomas More. There will be a Family Get-Together planned the first Thursday of every month at 5:30pm. Childcare for young children will be provided!

### **Family Handbook**

The STM Family Handbook has been updated and is filled with very important information. The handbook will be reviewed at the Family Orientation on August 24th. Please feel free to look over the handbook before the meeting. It can be found on the STM website at this [LINK](#).

### **Health & Safety Protocols**

We are happy to share that most of our normal school practices will resume with the 2021-22 school year. Below is a snapshot of our health and safety protocols for the 2021-22 school year:

- Masking is optional for all students and staff at St. Thomas More. Families may choose what is best for them, and we will respect and honor all family's choices.
- Students may not attend school if exhibiting two or more COVID symptoms including cough, runny nose, nasal congestion, stomach ache, diarrhea, nausea, body aches, etc.
- Students may not attend school if they have a fever of 100°F or greater.
- If a student experiences the onset of any illness while at school, the student will be sent home.
- CDC Guidance and the Prevea Nurseline will be consulted on all cases.

It is our goal to resume normal school practices as much as possible while still ensuring the health and safety of all students and staff. Thank you for your help and cooperation!

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## **NEWS FROM GRACE**

### **GRACE Community 5K**

GRACE is hosting the annual GRACE Community 5K on Saturday, August 28. For more information, please click the [LINK HERE](#).

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