

Back-to-School Bugle

St. Hilary School 2019-2020

Welcome New Faces at St. Hilary! Staffing Changes Re-capped

Welcome to all of our many new students and their families! We also extend a special welcome to our new staff members. We have several changes to our faculty and staff for the new school year!

Mrs. Andrea Schiavoni will join Mr. Manno and Mrs. Starkey on the third grade teaching team. Prior to teaching third grade at St. Columbkille School for the past 7 years, Mrs. Schiavoni completed her student teaching at St. Hilary with Mrs. Starkey, so we are excited to have her back with us. A magna cum laude graduate of the University of Akron, Mrs. Schiavoni has certifications in early childhood education and early childhood intervention specialist.

In addition, our current seventh and eighth grade math teacher, Mr. Dougherty, will move to sixth grade to teach math, along with eighth grade social studies. Mrs. Taylor Sanders has been hired to teach math to grades seven and eight, with a seventh grade homeroom. Mrs. Sanders comes to us from Walsh Jesuit High School, where she has taught algebra II and pre-calculus for the past 3 years, along with serving in other leadership

and coaching roles. Mrs. Sanders holds a bachelor's degree from Walsh University with licensure in adolescent to young adult grades 7-12 integrated mathematics.

Mr. Sherry will now have an eighth grade homeroom. Other teachers in grades 6, 7 and 8 will change subjects from those they previously taught: Miss Buzzi will now teach sixth grade English and social studies, while Mrs. Hoffman will teach sixth grade science and seventh grade religion. Mr. Gadus will teach 7th grade English and reading.

Our intervention specialist, Mr. Drought, will continue to assist in several classes, including math, as he has during Mrs. Griesse's maternity leave.

Mrs. Campbell has taken a full-time teaching position at another school, and Mrs. Monica Villarreal has been hired to teach Spanish for grades K-8. Mrs. Villarreal is a native speaker who holds a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from Universidad Tecnologica de Pereira in Colombia. She has extensive experience teaching English as a second language and has assisted at St. Hilary as a substitute teacher

and in other roles. She most recently taught Spanish at St. Vincent Elementary School.

Mrs. Jessica Kwieciak has been hired as a part-time teaching assistant in Mrs. Holland's kindergarten class, and Mrs. Shelly Kohrs will absorb all of the teaching assistant duties in Miss DiPronio's first grade class. Both Mrs. Kwieciak and Mrs. Kohrs have assisted in many roles at our school, and we are excited to have them on our staff.

Finally, Ms. Nicole Becher will join Mrs. Eldred in the school counseling office during Mrs. Parisi's medical leave. Ms. Becher comes to us through PSI, a contracted company which provides many of our ancillary services.

We are confident all of these changes will serve our students well, and we look forward to a great year!

A Note for New Families

If you have not signed up for One Call Now emails and calls (yellow form in acceptance packet) or created your online account (blue form in acceptance packet) do so now to be sure you are not missing out on important news and ordering hot lunches for your child!

Back-to-School Night August 22

Back-to-School Night will be held Thursday, August 22. **Please see details about the format for this event on Page 2.** All families are invited to drop into their children's classrooms during their **designated times** to meet teachers, drop off supplies, sign up for volunteer opportunities, and more!

Between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m., all K-8 families won't want to miss:

Information Tables, School Uniforms, Gym Uniforms, and Spirit Wear in Multi-Purpose Room

Nurses in Clinic to Help with Questions and Medications

Recycled Uniforms in Science Lab

Please bring your calendar and checkbook!

Welcome
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Class Lists Posted

We will begin the 2019-2020 school year with a solid enrollment of approximately 560 students. On August 1, our class lists were emailed and posted on the school website, www.st-hilaryschool.org. To view the lists online, you must create an account on the website if you have not already done so. Instructions for creating an account are posted on the website. If you cannot find your child's name on a class list, please contact the school office immediately.

Kindergarten Opening Schedule

On Monday, August 26 and Tuesday, August 27, kindergarteners will attend school as follows:

Monday, August 26

Students whose last names begin with:

101-Mrs. Holland: A - K
102-Mrs. Piekarski & Mrs. Thomson: A - P
105-Miss Bennett: A - K

Tuesday, August 27

Students whose last names begin with:

101-Mrs. Holland: M - Y
102-Mrs. Piekarski & Mrs. Thomson: R - Z
105-Miss Bennett: M - Y

Children will remain at school from 8:20 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Rooms 101 and 102 will be dismissed from the Moorfield Road doors. Room 105 will be dismissed from the doors by the Jesus statue. There will be no buses to take kindergarten students home on these days and no Latchkey available for kindergarten students these afternoons. Please be sure your child has a ride home.



On Wednesday, August 28, ALL kindergarten students will attend from 8:20 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

Rooms 101 and 102 will be dismissed from the Moorfield Road doors. Room 105 will be dismissed from the doors by the Jesus statue. There will be no buses to take kindergarten students home on these days and no Latchkey available for kindergarten students these afternoons. Please be sure your child has a ride home.

On Thursday, August 29, the FULL-DAY kindergarten program begins. Please make sure your child has arrangements for lunch, a rest time towel, and a ride home or Latchkey arrangements at dismissal time.

Important Dates and News to Note

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 - Hot Lunch online ordering at www.st-hilaryschool.org is open August 1-10—NO LATE ORDERS. Please see the Hot Lunch page on the school website for ordering instructions. Hot Lunch begins August 26. Milk for the first semester will also be ordered online and will be available beginning August 26.

MONDAY, AUGUST 12 - School office opens from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the 2019-2020 school year.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22 - Back-to-School Night:

KINDERGARTEN FAMILIES ONLY may visit from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. During this time, families may visit classrooms, meet teachers and classmates, drop off supplies, and play on the playground. We suggest that last names A-M visit classrooms from 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. and last names N-Z visit classrooms from 5:15 to 6:00 p.m. to alleviate crowding.

GRADE 3 PARENTS AND STUDENTS please attend orientation meeting in Horning Hall from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m.

GRADE 6 PARENTS AND STUDENTS please attend orientation meeting in Horning Hall from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN GRADES 1-8 may visit classrooms from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. to meet teachers and classmates and drop off supplies.

ALL FAMILIES WITH STUDENTS IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 8 are asked to stop by the Multi-Purpose room between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. to visit information tables, and check out school uniforms, gym uniforms, and spirit wear. Recycled Uniforms drop-off and pick-up will also be available during this time in the Science Lab. All Recycled Uniform items are free!

MONDAY, AUGUST 26 - First day of school. Families with kindergarten students, please see box at left for school opening information. We will begin the school year with a gathering in the parking lot outside Horning Hall at 9:00 a.m. All students should report to homerooms first for attendance.

The first bell rings at 8:20 a.m., and the tardy bell rings at 8:30 a.m. Following attendance and other preliminaries, teachers will walk classes to designated areas on the parking lot for our 9:00 a.m. opening ceremony. Parents are welcome to walk students to classrooms first thing and join students outside for the ceremony. Following the ceremony, we will begin our normal day. In case of rain, we will gather in Horning Hall.

Latchkey will be in session beginning on the first day. Please call 330-873-1282 and leave a message for Mrs. Weber to register for Latchkey, or stop by the Latchkey table at Back-to-School Night. If your child attended

Latchkey last year and is returning, please send a note on the first day of school indicating your child's Latchkey schedule for the first week of school. You will still need to complete a registration form.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29 - Kindergarten Welcome/Volunteer Sign-up Coffees from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center. Parents from Room 101 will gather in the Gathering Area, Room 102 in the lower level meeting rooms, and Room 105 in the upper level meeting rooms.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 - Curriculum Night for grades 6-8 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. *Parents only.*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 - Curriculum Night for grades K-5 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. *Parents only.*



Please refer to the school handbook online for the dress code, which will be strictly enforced. As a reminder, only non-marking shoes are permitted. Please email our Assistant Principal, Mrs. Alexander, at dalexander@st-hilary.org with dress code questions.