## St. Anthony News

It's GROW time!

#### Message from Mr. Alarcon

Can everyone believe that the summer is almost over?! Here at St. Anthony's we are excited to come back and hopefully have as normal a school year as possible. Our theme for this school year is, <u>It's GROW time!</u> With everything that has happened over the past year, we felt it was good to look ahead and focus on growing each other both academically and spiritually. GROW is an acronym for:

- G Grateful
- R Resilient
- O Optimistic
- W Willing

Each one of these characteristics embody feelings we have experienced in the past and have been magnified over the past year. Here at St. Anthony's, we are a family. We are grateful to once again be with one another. We have proven and will continue to show our resiliency in the face of despair. We are optimistic about the future and all of the great things that will happen this year. We are willing to take the next step so that we all can grow academically and spiritually.

As you know, you can always contact me. If you ever have any questions, please email me at <a href="mailto:alarconj@stanthonylorain.com">alarconj@stanthonylorain.com</a>

#### 2021-22 School Calendar - please click

#### Playground Update

I can proudly say that we are closing in on the final stages for the playground. We are currently looking at installing it outside of the main entrance. This will provide safety as well as give the school a unique look. As of today, we are going through the Diocesan Approval process. There is no timetable for that. As always, we will keep you updated with it all. Below, you will be able to see a picture of the structure.



#### COVID Update

The local, state and federal government have not mandated masks to be worn in schools. They are recommended by each agency, but not required. At this time, we are allowing parents and staff to choose whether to wear masks. If a mandate occurs, it will be followed by our school. This has been a difficult decision, but we do feel that parents/staff should have the right to choose. Saying all of this, we do know that things do change quickly and we will keep you updated on any new developments. Below is the flow chart for exposure to someone with COVID in the classroom. For example, if a student contracts COVID, the flow chart is what we will follow. At this time, we have no plans of doing any online learning. Students that are quarantined will receive classwork as if they were absent.

# Lorain County Health Department Flow Chart for exposure to someone with COVID in the CLASSROOM - please click

#### New Staff Members/Movement in the school

For the 2021-22 school year we made some adjustments. We are excited to have Mrs. Campfield (Cichon) move to Kindergarten! As many of you know, she was our fantastic 2nd grade teacher. We know she is going to do amazing things in Kindergarten! Our new second grade teacher is Ms. Akers! She comes to St. Anthony's with an amazing positive energy that will complement our school. Mrs. Rentz has changed positions. For this school year she will be our Music and Art teacher! One of Mrs. Rentz's greatest passions is music. We cannot wait to see all of the fantastic things she does with her kiddos. We are proud to announce that we have hired Mrs. Walling to take over the 4th grade. She is

going to do an extraordinary job this school year. Finally, we have a new 5th grade teacher, Mrs. Martin. We cannot wait to see her with her students do fantastic things.

#### Arrival/Dismissal

We will be continuing the same protocol as last year for arrival and dismissal minus some different times. Another difference will be that we will not be taking temperatures at this time.

Arrival 8am
8am-810am grades 6-8
810am-820am grades 2-5
820am-830am grades PK-1
\*Siblings come with the younger group\*

Dismissal 230pm 230pm grades PK-1 240pm grade 2-5 250pm grade 6-8 \*Siblings leave with the youngest group\*

If a student comes earlier than 8am, they will be sent to the social hall. As of now, we will be continuing to have breakfast in the classroom. Lunch will be in the cafeteria.

#### Dress Code

Our dress code has not changed for this school year. A short time ago, we were notified that our local provider of gym clothes and some polos will not be able to work with us this year. They have felt the perplexity of COVID and have been hit with a lack of employees. We are currently looking for another local provider. Saying that, students can wear plain black or maroon jogging pants/mesh shorts and a plain t-shirt or another St. Anthony shirt if need be for gym. We also have many lightly used and new clothes on campus. Please contact Mrs. Winkler if you are interested.

### Pre-School and Kindergarten Orientation - August 30th at 5:30pm (Please Click)

#### Back to School Night - September 1st 5pm-6:30pm

This is a great time to drop off your supplies, tour the school and meet the teachers! Also, please make sure to participate in the scavenger hunt for ice cream from K-Cream put on by PAC! We are in need of more parents to join PAC, please stop at their booth to sign up.

#### Dates to Remember

August 30th - Preschool and Kindergarten Orientation 5:30pm September 1st - Back to School Night 5pm-6:30pm September 6th - Labor Day September 8th - First day of school September 14th - Grandparent's Day September 24th - Teacher In-Service Day

Fall MAP Testing Grades K-8
ELA - 09/20
Math - 09/21
Science 5th/8th grade - 09/22
Makeup Testing 09/23

#### PAC Sale!

PAC will be selling St. Anthony water bottles and pop sockets at Back to School Night! \$5 for water bottle and \$1.50 for pop socket

#### Stay Connected

St. Anthony of Padua Parish School will post many updates and information on Facebook and our website <a href="https://www.stanthonylorain.org">www.stanthonylorain.org</a>

Please bookmark this site and check it often!

If you have changed your phone number and/or address, please email Mrs. Alonso at <a href="mailto:alonsov@stanthonylorain.com">alonsov@stanthonylorain.com</a>





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