

Saint John Academy



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Dear St. John Academy Parents:

Greetings and salutations. This is a letter that I should have sent much sooner since we are now well into the school year, but anyway.... Welcome back to our returning families, teachers, and staff – and a big welcome to all of our *new* families, teachers, and staff! I hope that the start of the school year has been as good for your family as it has been for ours.

Obviously, the year has already had an outstanding start with the announcement of St John Academy as a Blue Ribbon School, and I know that more excitement is yet to come. We have an exciting agenda this year focused on our primary goals of supporting the enrichment of our children's faith and education, and strengthening our community. Specifically, we have worked with Mr. Schultz to outline a financial program, similar to years past, which provides for the following:

- **Teacher certification / bonuses**
- **Science room improvements**
- **Technology maintenance**
- **Socials, family and community events**
- **Field trips**

We also plan to expand on the social and family events such as Bingo Night, Family Fun Dance, Parent Socials, Terra Nova breakfast, Teacher Appreciation lunches, etc., which are always popular and effective in building and strengthening our community.

We will have our first General PTO meeting on November 19 and then every other month throughout the year. Stay tuned for specifics to be posted on the website and school newsletter. I sincerely hope that you will participate by attending and sharing your thoughts and suggestions.

As I discussed with you during the Back to School nights, your participation in the Academy and its activities is critical to our collective success. In addition to spending more time with your children, you also send a powerful message to them that you do care what happens at school. To this end, I will soon be sending another note regarding financial and volunteer support.

Thank you in advance for your participation in school activities to make this year a great success!

God bless,

Mike Isacco
PTO President