

*June 12, 2017*

*Dear St. Ferdinand Families,*

*It has been my honor and privilege be your principal for the past school year.*

*As the faculty and I plan for 2017/2018, we want you to know that there will be a few new programs next school year, such as the Latin and Greek Challenge. Through this program students are able to better decode and define words.*

*We will also begin to implement the PeaceBuilder Program. This program is a nationally recognized program that stresses respect for everyone.*

*The school office hours this summer are Monday - Thursday from 9 to 1. We are closed on Friday.*

*Have a safe and wonderful summer spending time with family and friends.*

*The first day of school is Monday August 21 at 8:00am.*

*We will be sending updates throughout the summer.*

*Please review the attached calendar.*

*We are looking forward to a great 2017/2018 school year.*

*Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at [dakana@saintferdinand.org](mailto:dakana@saintferdinand.org).*

*Respectfully,*

*Ms. Denise H. Akana*



CALENDAR FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR

AUGUST

Aug 16	Wed	Grades 2-8 Open House/New Transfer Parents Orientation, 7:00PM
Aug 18	Fri	New Student Orientation 9:00-11:00AM
Aug 18	Fri	Classroom Parent-Student Orientation for PreK3, PreK4, K & 1st Grades, 9:00-11:00AM
Aug 21	Mon	First Full Day of School for all Grades Pre-K-8 Hot lunch begins for those who pre-ordered, all other should bring their lunches

SEPTEMBER

Sept 4	Mon	No School: Labor Day
Sept 7	Thur	Open House, 7:00PM - 8:15PM
Sept 22	Fri	No School: Staff Development

OCTOBER

Oct 9	Mon	No School: Columbus Day
Oct 19 & 20	Thur & Fri	Early Dismissal (11:30AM): Parent - Teacher Conferences

NOVEMBER

Nov 3	Fri	No School: Staff Development
Nov 22, 23, 24	Wed-Fri	No School: Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

December 25 - January 5: NO SCHOOL: CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY

Jan 8	Mon	Classes Resume after Christmas Break
Jan 15	Mon	No School: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Jan 28 - Feb 3		Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

Feb 9	Fri	No School: Professional Development Day
Feb 19	Mon	No School: President's Day

MARCH

Mar 29	Thur	Early Dismissal (11:30AM): Holy Thursday
March 30 - April 6:		NO SCHOOL: EASTER VACATION

APRIL

Apr 9	Mon	Classes Resume after Easter Vacation
Apr 13	Fri	No School: Staff Development

MAY

May 11	Fri	No School: Staff Development
May 20	Sun	First Holy Communion Mass (12:30PM, Church)
May 28	Mon	No School: Memorial Day

JUNE

June 8	Fri	Last Day of School
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