

First Day Reminders for In-Person St. Ferdinand School Learners (*Distance Learners will not have a get-to-know-you check-in until Thursday or Friday and will begin their academic Zoom lessons NEXT week.*):

1. **Take your temperature before you come to school.** If you have a temperature or a cough, please stay home. You will catch up! :) Have your parents call you in sick 773.622.3022 or absent@saintferdinand.org If you don't have a temp, eat a good breakfast and get ready for school! :)
2. **Wear your uniform!** "New" School Uniform, available from Dennis Uniform (which has curbside service) is required this year (last year was a transitional year. There is no PE class on the first day, so no PE uniforms should be worn. Don't forget: this year your shoes may be ANY color - enjoy! :)
3. **Wear a mask!** (must be on as you do your symptom/temperature check)
4. **Bring your school supplies if you haven't already! (but know that NO parents may enter the building** and help you to your class on the first day; if you need parent help, please come by the school tomorrow - open 7:30-3:30!)
5. **Pack your Summer Parent Packet, Summer Reading and Math Club Sheets (if you participated), any new forms your homeroom teachers gave you to fill out at Supply Drop-Off Night, and the letters that are coming to you via email tonight: Parental-COVID agreement (you may cross out the waiver part if it makes you uncomfortable and still sign it), Live Streaming/Recordings Agreement, and St. Ferdinand Parent-School Distance Learning Agreement. WE NEED ALL OF THESE FORMS BACK BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!!!!**
6. **Reminder: there is NO Extended Care** on the first day of school - not before, nor after school.
7. **Morning Drop-Off is from 7:30-7:55 AM! We will be using 3 Entrances along Mason Ave - PLEASE BE PATIENT** with cars stopping in front of you and at different entrances than you need! The Drop-Off doors are as follows:
 - a. **Polish School Door - for Grades 4th-8th (3rd floor students)**
 - b. **School Main Entrance - for Grades Preschool & Kindergarten (1st floor students)**
 - c. **JTC Entrance - for Grades 1st-3rd (2nd floor students)**
8. **Wednesday is a Half-Day of School with Dismissal beginning at 11:00 AM!** Pick-up is in the back parking lot, which you will enter off of Marmora and park in a space east of the gym. Once parked, you may get out at around your child's dismissal time (listed below). Your child's homeroom/cohort gets 6 minutes by their exit door (see below) to be picked up. Please stay behind taped lines around the door areas when looking for your child. Then, whoever is not picked up in the cohort after 6 minutes gets 4 minutes out in the parking lot with the remainder of his/her cohort before your child will be taken to the Office to phone you for pick-up. Here is our Dismissal Schedule:
 - a. **Preschool - east gym door - 11:00**
 - b. **KG - west gym door - 11:03**
 - c. **1st Grade - east gym door - 11:06**

- d. 2nd Grade - west gym door - 11:09
 - e. 3rd Grade - east gym door - 11:12
 - f. 4th Grade - west gym door - 11:15
 - g. 5th Grade - east gym door - 11:18
 - h. 6th Grade - west gym door - 11:21
 - i. 7th Grade - east gym door - 11:24
 - j. 8th grade - west gym door - 11:27
 - Note: All Students will be out of the building by 11:30
 - Please DO NOT CONGREGATE AND CHAT at pick-up time
 - Children in different grades from the same family will not all exit at the same time; each child must be picked up when his/her grade exits the school - - - thank you for your cooperation with this point as we strive to not mix cohorts.
9. Make sure your children use **hand sanitizer** when entering your car and thoroughly **wash their hands with warm water and soap**. Please make sure a **fresh mask** is available for school on Thursday.
10. **Listen to how their first day went - and get them to bed early for their first full day Thursday (more info to come on that)! :)**

See you tonight for **Classroom Zoom Meetings!** (Don't worry, if you have more than one child, all teachers are recording their Zooms and we will get those out to you tomorrow to view.)

Also, please know that Principal Folino will be available to answer any questions you may have after your Classroom Zooms tonight at the school office until 9:00 PM. Phone number: 773.622.3022.

We look forward to partnering with you to provide a different, safe, and exciting first day of school for the 2020-21 school year! :)