

Upcoming Events
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Parent Meetings

Back to School Night (K - 5)

Mock Schedule Night (Gr. 6 - 7)

Spirit Wear Day
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Better Together Celebration



A Message From Mrs. Swenson

After experiencing a very "normal" summer camp season, we certainly expected our upcoming school year to look "normal", but as the delta variant continues to affect our lives, Holy Spirit School re-adjusted our re-entry to school plan based on the guidelines of the Archdiocese of Louisville with the **goal of keeping our students and teachers safely, in-person at school.**

Within these guidelines, we expect an exciting year of fun and learning where your children can experience all of the social interactions and collaborative work that they need at their age. Our teachers look forward to seeing their eyes light up in class, their smiles at recess, and the results that come from working as a team. This feeling is what led us to this year's school theme, "**Better Together**".

While our opinions and circumstances may differ - some may be protecting immuno-compromised children or family members, others may be balancing the mental vs. physical risks of Covid - we clearly are "better together" when we show compassion and stay focused on our **guiding light of keeping our students and teachers safely, in-person at school.**

Please review the 2021-22 Re-Entry Plan, including school start and end times for [K - 8](#) and [PreK 3 & 4's](#)

How Can We Stay Safely In School

- Please let us know if your child has been vaccinated to ensure that they are not quarantined in the event that they are in close contact with an infected student.
- Since the use of masks will be a determining factor in quarantine requirements, it is encouraged that masks are worn when students K-8 are working in close proximity, while in motion, and whenever else it is practical for them or those around them.
- Mask wearing, whenever possible, will result in less illnesses, absences and disruptions for students and teachers.

[Bid in Silent Auction and Purchase Event Ticket](#)

While there is no right solution for all, I am encouraged by our strong school community and am so **EXCITED** to make this a wonderful school year together!

Sincerely,

Doris Swenson
Principal

School Happenings



Grade 1 - 8: Remember to schedule your arrival time in Sycamore for Back to School Night!

First Day of School Prep

- The first day of school is Wednesday, August 18th. We'll have two balloon arches this year to allow a quick and great photo opportunity before sending your child into school. Parents will not be allowed to walk students to class.
- Please see the [K - 8 and PreK Re-Entry to School Plan](#) for start and end times.
- Students will follow the normal uniform policy outlined in the [Student Handbook](#). This can be found under Documents on Sycamore. Students in K - 8 may only wear PE uniforms on PE days.
- Students K - 8 will need to have a mask on hand and a water bottle that can be used throughout the day.



Room Parents Are Needed!

Room parents are needed to assist our teachers in class communications, special events, and more.

If you would like to be a room parent this year, please contact [Deanna Keal](#).



Kids Quest Summer Camp

This summer, 215 campers from Holy Spirit School and the community at-large attended Kids Quest Summer Camp. They enjoyed making friends, playing games, water fun, glow-in-the-dark dance parties, petting animals, and more!

PTO Update

First and foremost, we would like to say **THANK YOU** to Kermit Highfield, Jenni Garner, Kristen Taylor, Caroline Low, and the previous PTO Event Chairs for years of record-setting fundraising, especially during the pandemic!



As your new PTO Executive Committee, we are so grateful to be able to gather again, because it's our close, tight-knit community that truly sets us apart. This year's PTO fundraising will align with the school's theme, and focus on events that allow us to reconnect with friends and welcome our new school families, starting with the **Better Together Celebration on August 20th!** This event will allow us to purchase new recess equipment, like a Gaga Ball Pit, Balance Beam, Stepping Stones, Giant Connect 4, and more! We hope that you will join us in supporting this effort and have a fun at this adult-only night out! Our online silent auction is open so please place your bid now and remember to purchase your event tickets no later than August 18th at [https://www.hspirit.org/auction/!](https://www.hspirit.org/auction/)

If you would like to volunteer for PTO or donate an item to this auction or other events during the year, please contact us at ptoholyspirit@hspiritschool.org.

The PTO Executive Committee:

Beth Thomas, President
Kacy Noltemeyer, Vice-President
Deanna Keal, Secretary
Ashley Petty, Treasurer

Sycamore Update



The Sycamore School Management System is the backbone of our school database. Through the use of this system, you can complete your enrollment, track your students grades, find important documents and upcoming calendars, and communicate with teachers. Each month, one new feature of Sycamore will be featured for your reference. Give it a try and learn how using Sycamore will support your Holy Spirit student!

Please start the school year by organizing your access to Sycamore by bookmarking the page on your PC. Some functions of Sycamore are not available on the app so having being PC-ready will be helpful!

- Google: <https://app.sycamoreschool.com/index.php?schoolid=3595>
- Click on the three dots at the top right of your Google browser and click on "Bookmark this page".
- Save your password or write it down in a place where you will remember it

What would you like to learn? [Email your suggestion.](#)