

St. Augustine High School

Catholic Education for Young Men Since 1922

June 24, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope this letter finds you enjoying a restful start to summer.

St. Augustine High School is continuing to collect student permanent record updates and emergency information electronically. This year, families will provide updates to their student's permanent record and emergency information by accessing the data via your MySchoolApp account. St. Augustine High School only collects information it needs and will safeguard your student family records and protect your right to privacy.

This effort is our annual attempt to verify or capture new phone numbers, emails, emergency contact information, and basic data. We ask you to please <u>provide complete information</u>. Saints is collecting electronic signatures for <u>all</u> enrolled students for the annual forms listed below:

- Annual Profile Update
- Emergency Contact Updates
- Health History Update
- Athletics and User Policy Forms
- Random Drug Testing Authorization

For freshmen and new families, we encourage you to set aside about 20 minutes to update/confirm your student's data. Some information you may want to gather before completing this task are:

- Work phone #'s, emergency contact person(s) phone # and emails for parents and guardians; and
- Doctor's name, address, phone number and your health insurance card.

Once logged in, you will see a banner on the top of the page indicating you have a checklist to complete for each enrolled student. Select the student whose record you want to update and begin to review and edit his forms. You will be able to save your work along the way and you must click <u>submit</u> when finished updating your student's record or electronically signing forms. Once completed, you will receive a confirmation email. <u>Please submit all records updates and forms by July 15, 2024</u>. For assistance with password changes or filling out the forms, you may contact Mr. Todd Igelman (tigelman@sahs.org).

In addition, located at the bottom of the website homepage, you will find a box link on the gold bar titled **2024-25 School Year Info**. Here you will find general school information including student orientation dates and times, textbooks, lockers, pick-up/drop-off Guidelines, and 2024-25 Calendar highlights.

If you have questions, please contact us by phone or email. The main office is open from 7:00am to 2:00pm during the summer and 7:00am to 3:00pm, Monday through Friday during the school year.

Enjoy the remaining weeks of summer! We look forward to seeing you in the fall.

In the Spirit of Catholic Education,

James Horne Principal

GENERAL SCHOOL INFORMATION

Locks and Lockers

Freshmen will receive locks and locker assignments at orientation. The cost is included in their general fee. **Note: Only school authorized locks are permitted**. Locker assignments will be made during orientation on August 13, 2024 and August 14, 2024. For returning students, last year's assigned locks may be used. New locks may be purchased in the Student Services office. See Mrs. Kirsten Hadzicki in the Student Services office for further information.

Student Parking

Detailed parking instructions are in the Student Services office and will be distributed during orientation. All students parking at the school **must register** their vehicles with Student Services. Every car **MUST** have the Saints tag displayed in its' rear-view mirror. Juniors and Seniors are expected to meet parking guidelines beginning the first day of school, Thursday, August 15, 2024.

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up – Please see the flyer on our website.

Dress Code

The dress code for the 2024 - 2025 school year has been changed. Please read the Saintsman Standard of Dress in the Student/Parent Handbook, which can be found under the student tab on the website. Please review closely each section. They are the most commonly asked or sometimes confused parts of the dress code.

The Dress Code begins on the first day of school, Thursday, August 15, 2024 with Tie Day.

Orientation

MANDATORY ORIENTATION will begin on August 13, 2024 - Seniors at 2:00 pm, Juniors at 3:00 pm, Sophomores at 1:00 pm. These orientations will begin in the Raymond Center Theater **PROMPTLY** at the designated times.

Freshman orientation will be August 14, 2024, beginning at 7:45 a.m. in the GYM.

All incoming ninth graders must be in "Tie Day" attire for orientation. Students should arrive dressed in the following: long pants (khakis or dress slacks); dress belt; solid color cotton or cotton-blend, button up dress shirt with a collar; standard length necktie – compatible colored. Students must be clean shaven and hair styles must be neat, clean, and combed with hair off the face.

Calendar

All families may view a complete Saints School Calendar on the Saints website $\underline{www.sahs.org}$. Calendar Highlights for the School Year 2024 - 2025 can be found on the website under the Parents tab.



Looking ahead... Christmas and Easter Vacations

The first day of **Christmas** vacation for St. Augustine High School is Friday, December 19, 2024, with school Intersession beginning on Tuesday, January 6, 2025 at 7:45 am.

The first day of **Easter** break is Thursday, April 17, 2025, with school resuming on Monday, April 28, 2025.



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Dear Saintsman and Parents:

On behalf of Mr. Horne, our Principal, and the St. Augustine High School faculty and staff, I would like to welcome you to the 2024-25 school year and wish you the best of success during the year.

Efforts were made to schedule you for your course requests from last spring. Please realize that certain semester courses you requested may not appear on your fall semester schedule but may appear on your spring semester schedule. In some cases, courses could not be scheduled because they conflicted with other course requests. Schedules are now available via MySchoolApp. Please refer to Principal Horne's letter, enclosed in this mailing, for instructions to access your MySchoolApp account.

Please note the date, time, and location for your class orientation. You will have your photograph taken for the yearbook and your ASB Card (with the exception of seniors).

Since everyone (with the exception of seniors) will be having their photograph taken, you are required to dress appropriately with a solid-colored button-up dress shirt, compatible necktie and a suit or sports coat. As stated in the student handbook, "you must also be clean shaven; your hair styles must be neat, clean and combed at all times. Hair must be off the face and above the eyebrows and may not extend below the top of the collar or below the top of the ear. There must be an appearance of hair on the scalp (shaved heads are not acceptable). Hair length maximum is 3.5 inches. Shaving of the scalp, mohawks, lines or designs anywhere on the head are not acceptable. Only the student's natural color of hair is permitted, no dying or bleaching." If you come to school on this day and are not meeting the hair code standards, your picture will not be taken and you may not appear in the school yearbook.

PLEASE BRING YOUR SCHEDULE WITH YOU TO ORIENTATION

10 th Grade Orientation	12 th Grade Orientation	11th Grade Orientation	9th Grade Orientation
1:00 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	7:45 a.m.
Raymond Center Theater	Raymond Center Theater	Raymond Center Theater	Fr. Sanders Gym
Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday
August 13, 2024	August 13, 2024	August 13, 2024	August 14, 2024

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Orientation for 9^{th} Grade will begin at 7:45 a.m. and run until 2:00 p.m. Orientation for $10^{th} - 12^{th}$ Grades will last approximately one hour. We simply ask for your total cooperation on these days.

All incoming ninth graders must be in "Tie Day" attire for orientation. This means that every incoming ninth grader should arrive dressed in the following: long pants (khakis or dress slacks); dress belt; solid color cotton or cotton-blend button-up dress shirt with a collar; standard length necktie – compatible colored; sport coat/jacket preferred but not required. Students must be clean shaven and hair styles must be neat, clean, and combed with hair off the face.

ATTENTION FROSH FOOTBALL PLAYERS: If you plan to play Frosh Football <u>you must</u> <u>be enrolled in P.E. during Block 6</u>. Make sure that your schedule indicates this, and if not, you must contact Mrs. Oliwa, Registrar (619) 282-2184 ext. 5512 or <u>joliwa@sahs.org</u> *prior* to the first week of school.

Enjoy the final days of summer 2024.

Sincerely,

Gregory Hecht

Jacquy M. Acht

Assistant Principal for Academics



Calendar Highlights for the School Year 2024-2025

JULY, 2024

July 15 ALL ANNUAL AND HEALTH FORMS DUE

July 29-31 College Workshop - 8:00am (Seniors)

July 27, 30-31 Senior Pictures

AUGUST, 2024

August 1-2 & 5-7 College Workshop - 8:00am (Seniors)

August 1-2 Senior Pictures

August 13 Senior Orientation - 2:00pm

Junior Orientation - 3:00pm

Sophomore Orientation - 1:00pm

August 14 Freshman Orientation - 7:45am (GYM)

August 15 First Day of School - Classes begin 7:45am

August 23 Freshman Tailgate

August 24 Freshman New Parent Gathering - 4:00pm
August 25 Freshman New Parent Gathering - 4:00pm
August 28 Senior Parent College Night - 6:30pm
August 30 Last Day to Drop or Add a Class

SEPTEMBER, 2024

September 2 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - Labor Day

September 4 Saints Meet the Teacher Night - 6:30pm

September 8 Family Mass & BBQ - 4:00pm

September 16-20 Frosh Welcome Week

September 21-22 Frosh Retreat

September 25-27 Frosh Dance Lessons - 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

OCTOBER, 2024

October 2-3 8th Grade Visitation Days
October 6 Father/Son Breakfast
October 9 Testing Day - PSAT Test
October 11 End of First Quarter

October 14 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - Faculty Professional Day

October 15 Second Quarter Begins
October 25 Homecoming Game

October 25 APA College Topics Night - 6:30 pm



October 25-27 Kairos Retreat

October 30-31 Frosh Dance Lessons - 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

NOVEMBER, 2024

November 1 Homecoming Carnival

November 3 Open House - 11:00 am - - All Incoming 9th Grade Applicants Invited

November 9 Homecoming Dance

November 11 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - Veterans Day Observed

November 13 Sophomore Parent College Night - 6:30 pm November 13 Senior Parent Financial Aid Night - 6:30 pm

November 28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER, 2024

December 2 School resumes after Thanksgiving Break

December 3 Saints Community Day of Service

December 4-6 Kairos Retreat

December 16 Semester Exams

8:30 am Block 1 10:30 am Block 2

December 17 Semester Exams

8:30 am Block 3 10:30 am Block 4

December 18 Semester Exams

8:30 am Block 5 10:30 am Block 6

December 19 No Classes/End of 1st Semester/ Christmas Holiday Begins

JANUARY, 2025

January 6 Intersession Classes Begin @ 7:45 am

January 11 High School Entrance Exam for Incoming 9th Graders

January 20 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - Martin Luther King Holiday

January 21 Financial Aid Deadline - Freshman families & returning families with an

incoming Freshman

January 22 Juniors Parent College Night January 30 & 31 Frosh Course Selection Days

January 31 Intersession Ends

FEBRUARY, 2025

February 1 Admission Interviews for Incoming 9th Grade Students

February 3 2nd Semester Begins

February 6 & 7

February 7

Last Day to Drop or Add a Class
February 13 & 14

Sophomore Course Selection Days

February 15 Mom Prom

February 17 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - President's Day

MARCH, 2025

March 7 Junior Pilgrimage - NO CLASSES for 9th, 10th and 12th Grade

March 13 Austin Exams

March 14 Junior Mass and Brunch
March 14 Third Quarter Ends

March 17 Financial Aid Deadline - Sophomore, Junior, and Senior families that do not

have an incoming Freshman

March 17 Fourth Quarter Begins
March 19 New Family Night - 5:30 pm

March 21 Grandparents Day
March 26 - 28 Kairos Retreat

APRIL, 2025

April 13 Senior Mother/Son Luncheon

April 14 Sophomore Retreat

April 17 NO SCHOOL - Offices Closed - Easter Break Begins

April 28 SCHOOL RESUMES - End of Easter Break

MAY, 2025

May 3 Senior Prom

May 9 Senior Grad Night

May 15 Underclass Awards Assembly
May 16 Senior Class Awards Assembly

Graduation Practice and Senior March

May 17 Saints "Taste of Saints" Event

May 19 Final Exams

8:30 am Block 1 10:30 am Block 2

May 20 Final Exams

8:30 am Block 3 10:30 am Block 4

May 21 Final Exams

8:30 am Block 5 10:30 am Block 6

May 22 NO SCHOOL

May 23 Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation - 9:30am (GYM)

JUNE, 2025

June 9 Summer School Begins



St. Augustine 2024-25 Online Bookstore

Using the Follett online bookstore for Saints is the best way to guarantee your son's textbooks. Follett offers rental and purchase pricing options, plus Follett will guarantee free returns on all rented textbooks and buyback options for purchased textbooks.

Follett also guarantees that your son will receive the correct, current edition of the textbook. This is very important for certain classes that use online components and/or online subscriptions that come included with the textbook when rented/purchased through our online bookstore.

HOW TO ORDER

- 1. The online bookstore is scheduled to open on Monday, July 1st. Please access the bookstore through the Saints webpage (you will see a "Follett Virtual Campus" logo about halfway down on the school website.
- 2. Use your son's schedule to fill a shopping cart based on the classes he is taking. Where it is available, you may choose rental or purchase options. Please be aware that all rental books must be returned at the end of the school year, within 2 weeks of the conclusion of classes. Your son's schedule is included inside this summer mailing packet.
- 3. Go to checkout and you will be prompted to login to your account if you are a returning customer. If you are a new customer, set up a new account. Be sure to use an email address that will not change between now and the end of the school year. This will impact your ability to return books for free through the shipping labels Follett will send you at the end of the year.
- 4. A credit/debit card will be required to finalize the payment and order. Please print your receipts and keep them for your records. If any of your son's books are placed on back order, your card will not be charged until the order is fulfilled. Please make sure you are using a card that will not expire over the next couple of months.

We recommend that you order your son's books as soon as possible. Back orders and delays can and do happen. Ordering in July will vastly improve your chances of receiving your son's books before the start of school in August.

If you have any questions about ordering books, please contact, Mr. Alcoser (jalcoser@sahs.org).



FAMILY MASS and BBQ



Sunday, September 8th at 4:00 p.m.

on the Saints Football Field

Come together with members of the Saints Community

to pray for a successful school year for our sons.



Bring your beach chair, sunscreen and a hat.

A donation box will be available to those who wish to support Hogar Infantil, the Augustinan Orphanage.

www.sahs.org/austin-parents-association



Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up Help Saints Be a Good Neighbor

Please Remember When Driving and Parking Around School

- Avoid double parking
- Only travel on the right side of the street
- Use the turnouts on Nutmeg St. and at the Palm/32nd parking lot. Avoid stopping on streets immediately surrounding school (32nd, 33rd, Nutmeg and Palm)
- Do not block driveways
- Make no U-Turns on Nutmeg St.
- Consider dropping off or picking up your student a couple of blocks from school to reduce the number of vehicles on Nutmeg and Palm.
- Don't idle in front of neighbors' homes for long periods.
- Drive slowly in the neighborhood 25 mph, and even slower at drop-off (7:30 am) and pick -up (2:00 pm) times.

