



ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL
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2019-2020 Lunch Prices

- PS-Grade 1 \$3.40 per meal
- Grades 2-8 \$3.90 per meal

K-8 Extended Care Fees

- \$4.20 per hour
- Billed at 7¢ per minute

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WILDCATS WEEKLY

August 15, 2019

Principally Speaking

Our school year started on August 14, and we had a great first day of school!

We began our new school year with a chapel worship service. How wonderful to know that Jesus is the focus of our school. And how good it is to be here, with friends and classmates, and to know that God is ever-present in our school.

We look forward to sharing the love of Jesus with your child and building a foundation of excellence in education for all students as we play, learn, and grow together during the year. And we thank our school parents and church members for their continued teamwork, support and prayers for our school ministry.

For over 170 years, St. John's Lutheran Church has faithfully supported our school ministry. We pray that God will bless our partnership with the church, which allows our school to have a positive impact with the families in our church and community.

We look forward to another great year at St. John's, as we, with the help of God, honor him in our teaching and learning.



Join us for worship at St. John's Lutheran Church as we celebrate our school ministry and God's gifts to our church and school. Bring your child and his/her backpack for a blessing during any of our worship services on August 17-18. What a great way to start a school year!

Our teacher dedication will be on Sunday, August 18 at 8:00am and 10:50am services.

Student Absences

Regular attendance is a vital factor in any student's school success; accountability for attendance rests with the parent.

Please call the office @ 636-464-7303 (option 1) or send a message to the teacher when your child is absent from school. This will help us prepare for the day and monitor attendance and lunch.

Chapel: Wed @ 8:30am

Join us for our weekly "kid-friendly" school chapel services on Wednesdays at 8:30am throughout the school year. Come celebrate the gifts of Christian education with our school family.



SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

The goals of our school lunch program:

- Provide a healthy, nutritious and tasty lunch at an affordable price
- Increase student participation through our CHOICE menus
- Cook and bake more menu items (use less processed foods)
- Serve age-appropriate portions



LUNCH CHALLENGE

We challenge each child to eat at least one school lunch every week in August and September. If you like the school lunch, we hope you will continue in our program.

Office Communications

As part of our home and school communication, every family receives two email/text messages via EDUCATE from the school office each week:

- Tue: News and reminders
- Thu: School newsletter (attachment)

We ask that you read the messages and newsletter to stay informed on school news, events, and activities.

School Forms

Please return applicable forms to the school office (must complete new forms each year):

- Free/Reduced Lunch Application
- Medication Form

School Uniform Orders

K-8 students are required to wear SJLS logo shirts. Download the order form at www.stjohnsarnold.org/wildcat. Fill out the form and submit payment for your order. Order deadline: **Thursday, August 22.**

T-Shirt Tuesdays



In keeping with our school tradition, K-8 students may wear an "official" St. John's t-shirt on Tuesdays during the school year. Please note these guidelines:

- The t-shirt can be any color and must be printed with "St. John's" on the shirt (school, sports, church, VBS, or other ministry).
- If not wearing a St. John's t-shirt, then students must comply with our regular dress attire.

www.stjohnsarnold.org

We want our school website to be a resource tool for parents. Keep us informed ... let us know if we should add info to our site.



Upcoming Dates

Aug 30	No School: Professional Day
Sep 2	No School: Labor Day
Sep 8	Chicken Dinner
	K-8 Choir @10:50am
Sep 9	Culver's Night

SCHOOL CALENDAR and ACTIVITIES

Sat-Sun	Aug 17-18	Backpack Blessings	
Mon	Aug 19	CAPP Training	6:30pm
Tue	Aug 20	VB A Home	4:15pm
		School Board	7:00pm
Wed	Aug 21	Chapel	8:30am
Thu	Aug 22	SCR at CCLS	4:15pm
		CAPP Training	6:30pm
Sat	Aug 24	Volunteer Appreciation Lunch	

CAPP

Child and Adult Protection Program

St. John's utilizes guidelines that protect and care for our children and at-risk adults. The CAPP program is designed to provide a safe learning and work environment for children, staff members, and volunteers.



All employees and volunteers who work directly with children at St. John's must comply with the CAPP

certification guidelines. The certification process for staff and volunteers includes a background check and training on safety and reporting procedures.

We scheduled our next CAPP training dates on Mon, Aug 19 @ 6:30pm and Thu, Aug 22 @ 6:30pm.

CAPP

CHILD AND ADULT
PROTECTION PROGRAM
TRAINING

MON, AUGUST 19 @ 6:30pm

THU, AUGUST 22 @ 6:30pm

All volunteers who work directly with children at St. John's Lutheran Church and School must follow the CAPP certification guidelines. **You must pre-register for the CAPP training at www.surveymonkey.com/r/SJL-CAPP**

Contacting the Principal



Office hours are flexible. At times the principal may not be in the office (may be in a meeting or visiting classrooms or off campus) and you may need to make an appointment. You can contact David Florine at dflorine@sjlarnold.org or 520-343-4156.

EDUCATE

EDUCATE is our online communication tool for teachers and parents. Every school family has an EDUCATE account. With EDUCATE:

- School email messages are forwarded to your personal email account
- Receive text messages from school
- Review online gradebook (Gr 1-8)
- Check lunch account balance
- School/Parent Directory

Need help to activate your EDUCATE account? Contact us to get school news, updates, and activity information.



EDUCATE
by TADS

Parent Resources

Looking for school news, forms, and information? Go the Parent Portal tab at www.stjohnsarnold.org to find:

- Newsletters
- Lunch Menus
- School Calendar
- Parent Handbook
- Dress Code
- Financial Info
- ... and more

Parking Lot Safety

For safe pick-up and drop-off in our parking lots:

- Drive slowly ... watch for pedestrian traffic. Parents should supervise or walk students across the traffic lanes.
- Follow procedures and traffic patterns when entering and leaving our parking lots.



Staffing Updates

We welcome new staff members and repositioned others for the upcoming school year:

- Susanne Byerly, Preschool Assistant
- Anne Davis, Preschool Assistant
- Sharon Florine, KDG Assistant
- Katie Kassebaum, Preschool Assistant
- Nicole Plurien, Preschool 2 Teacher
- Tim Whittler, Grade 5 Teacher
- Mary Wiley, Band
- Tania Winters, School Office Assistant

We welcome our new staff members, and we pray that God will bless them and all our teachers and staff that they might be a blessing to our school, students, and families.

JOYFULLY
ST. JOHN'S
PHIL 4:4

School Prayer Card

Please use this prayer guide to pray for our school every day, and in doing so, we pray God's continued blessings upon our teaching and learning. Copies of the prayer card are in the school lobby.

School Calendar

Go to stjohnsarnold.org/calendar to see our online monthly calendar (school activities and sports game schedules). Check back often ... we update the calendar during the year.



Chapel Offerings

Our August and September chapel offerings support the **Honduras Mission**. This mission project provides care for children in orphanages.



The Arnold Chick-fil-A is changing owners and management. During the transition, we will postpone our fundraising partnership. Watch for us to resume our partnership in a few months.

Did You Know?



Teachers and staff meet for devotions on Mon, Wed, and Fri mornings. We also pray for students, families, and school.

Teachers and staff also meet on Wednesday afternoons for a Staff Bible Study or a Faculty Meeting. As part of our teamwork and ministry, we gather for fellowship, prayer, news, and announcements. This is a great way for our staff to work together as a blessing to our church and school.

Scrip Program

Thanks for supporting our school through the Scrip program. All families (PK-8) must purchase Scrip cards from the school; average \$300 per month (for 10 months). The Scrip cards profits are used to offset school budget expenses. Families may "buy out" of the Scrip card program by paying \$75 per semester.

Scriptips

You can purchase Scrip cards at any worship service each weekend and in the school office during the week. Go to www.shopwithscrip.com to see a complete list of Scrip cards; we can special order cards for you.

School Newsletter Info

Submit newsletter info to the school office by Tuesday to be included in the next publication.

School Hours

- School day begins at 8:15am.
- School day ends at 3:15pm.
- Morning ext care, 6:30-8:00am.
- Afternoon carline, 3:15-3:30pm.
- Afternoon ext care, 3:30-6:00pm.



Celebrate your child's special day by donating a book in their honor to the school library. Find the Birthday Book Club form at www.stjohnsarnold.org/info.

Middle School Electives

Do you have a skill, hobby, or interest that you would enjoy sharing? If so, leading an elective for our middle schoolers here at St. John's may be a good fit for you. Electives are a quarter long (about 9 to 10 weeks) on Wednesdays from 2:20-3:05pm. Classes typically have between 5-10 students.

If you think you would enjoy leading some of these students, we'd love to hear from you. Not sure what you might want to do? Some examples of classes that we did last year include: chess, board games, photography, interior design, scrapbooking, yoga, prayer walking, self-defense, sewing, yearbook, building projects, technology projects, baking, babysitting, card games, fairy tales, and more.

If you have the time and interest to be a part of this program, please contact Dan Hanson at dhanson@sjlarnold.org.



Interested in info about St. John's Lutheran Church? We host New Member Classes for those new to the Lutheran Faith. Classes are on

Tuesday nights, Sep 3-Oct 8 @ 6:30-8:00pm in Room 108 (church lower level). Childcare is available. Go to the church website for info or contact nkaylor@sjlarnold.org to register.



VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY

All volunteers are invited to an afternoon of honor and appreciation! Bring the whole family for a food truck, yard games, and fellowship on **Saturday, August 24 from 12 pm-4 pm** (open house) at the school soccer field.

- FREE Kona Ice available from 1-3 pm.
- Please bring lawn chairs.
- RSVP [here](#).



Youth 5th-12th grade and their families are invited to swim, boat, fish, lounge, play games, play volleyball, and eat! Families bring a side to share; we provide the main dish and drinks.

Saturday, August 17 from 11am-3pm at Ron & Tina Carr's home (117 Park Lawn Estates, Fenton, MO). Come and go as you please! Sign up to attend:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScEyORwfsfgzKLqicc_GiM9gGEunSrR53N2saap2cZT17cLVw/viewform

Youth Meet & Greets:

- Preteen (5th-6th Grade) on Wed, Aug 21 at 6-7:30pm
- Junior High (7th-8th grade) on Sun, Aug 25 at 5:30-7pm
- Ice cream, game, and info for youth ministry. Parents are invited and encouraged to come.

St. John's 90th Annual

FRIED CHICKEN Dinner

Sunday, September 8

Dine In: 11:30am - 4pm
Carryout: 10:30am - 5pm

Dinner includes fried chicken, homemade coleslaw, green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy, applesauce, drink and dessert.

Volunteers Needed!
Sign up on board in the church atrium or school lobby.

CHICKEN DINNER TICKETS

I would like _____ adult (age 15+) $\frac{1}{2}$ chicken dinner tickets at **\$10** per dinner.

I would like _____ child (age 5-14) $\frac{1}{4}$ chicken dinner tickets at **\$6** per dinner.

Name _____

Email Address _____

Best Contact Phone (_____) _____ ☐ Home ☐ Cell

Order forms must be received by **Sunday, September 1.**