



*A Holy Ground of
Loving and Learning*

Saint Denis - Saint Columba School

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Dear Parents and Students -Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8:

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a relaxing and fun summer break, and we look forward to seeing all of you in September. In an attempt to simplify information coming home to the parents, we have combined our supply list and have included information regarding summer assignments. The supply list is attached as well as any required summer assignments. Course requirements for grades 5-8 will also be posted on our school website. Please read these with your child over the summer and return the signed course requirement tear off portion on the first day of school along with all required assignments.

Please review the *School Uniform Policy* with your child; this will be enforced on a daily basis.

School Uniform 2018-2019 School Year

Boys in K- 8

White dress shirt (oxford for Grades K-8) and plaid school tie

Green V-neck sweater vest or pullover V-neck sweater with school name

Green dress slacks (purchased at Li'l Darling Shoppe)

Black/Brown belt and dark socks

Black or Brown supportive shoe with Shoe laces, strap, or Velcro (no slip- on shoes) No boat shoes (Sperry's)

Boys Hair cut should be simple, neat, above the collar, and off the face. No faddish haircuts, dyed or highlighted hair.

Girls in 5 - 8

Green Plaid uniform skirt (no more than 1 inch above knee) and white oxford blouse

Green V-neck sweater vest or pullover V-neck sweater with school name

Green or Black knee socks/tights

Black or Brown supportive shoes with shoe laces, Velcro, or strap (no slip-on shoes)

No boat shoes (Sperry's)

No dyed or highlighted hair.

Summer Uniform K-8

Green shorts (no more than an inch above the knee) with belt

White polo shirt with school logo

White crew socks that reach the ankle

Shoes (see above)

PLEASE NOTE: Uniform SNEAKERS for Gym – WHITE or BLACK only with NO color

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation and for entrusting us with your most precious possession. Together we can ensure that your child receives the best academic education possible, as well as providing them with a faith-filled learning environment.

We look forward to a fabulous year.

God bless,

Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grade Teachers

Supply List: Grades 5-8



Note: Please replenish your child's supplies throughout the year. It causes disruptions to the class when students must borrow supplies from others. It also affects the student's class work grade, which is partially based on preparedness.

General Supplies

NO huge binders or Trapper Keepers allowed!

Last name initial **A-L** 1 roll of paper towels
Last name initial **M-Z** 1 Windex spray
3 boxes tissues
1 canister of wet ones (hands)
1 disinfecting wipes(desks)
Blue, black and colored pens
12 Pencils
Sharpies or markers
Colored pencils
Highlighters
ruler
4 dry erase markers-**2 heavy duty** sheet protectors
Sticky notes
Scotch tape
Scissors
Mini-stapler and staples
Headphones(computer) – to be kept in school
2-3 book socks
Index cards
(2)3 subject spiral notebooks (ELA, SS) with divider/folders
(2) marble notebooks (Spanish and Science)
(1) 1 inch binder (math) including Algebra course
College ruled loose leaf (reinforced paper works best)
2-3 pocket folders or 1 accordion style multi-folder
Tracing paper
Clear contact paper to cover workbooks

Additional Supplies

Math 8- same calculators used in 7th grade
(Purchased through school)

Algebra 8- Texas TI 84 or 84 plus graphing calculator

Math 6 and 7: Calculators (\$10) and protractors (\$1) will be purchased through the school in September, to ensure all students have the proper supplies.

School Planners \$3.50

ART SUPPLY LIST-*Due first week*

PLEASE SEND IN A SEPARATE BAG LABELED "ART"

Kindergarten - 1 pack of baby wipes, *Smock labeled**

1st grade - 2 big glue sticks, *Smock labeled**

2nd grade - 1 Elmers Glue, *Smock labeled**

3rd grade - 2 pink erasers, *Smock labeled**

4th grade - 2 rolls of colorful masking tape, *Smock labeled**

5th grade - 1 box of tissues, *Smock labeled**

6th grade - 1 paper towel roll, *Spiral Sketch Book***

7th grade - 1 BLUE Scotch Brite Scrub Sponge, *Spiral Sketch Book***

8th grade - Washi tape or 1 decorative duct tape, *Spiral Sketch Book***

8TH GRADE ONLY-SELFIE PROJECT REQUIREMENT:

If you haven't done so already, please bring in a current SELFIE enlarged to 8.5x11, **due the first week of school.** B&W photocopy of just your face is fine - no need for a color print.

Donations:

If you would like to help the studio, we are in need of:

- Hole Punchers WITH rubber grip
- Gel Pens - FUN COLORS!
- Popsicle Sticks

** Suggested smock: large tshirt, no buttons - sealed in a labeled ziplock*

*** Spiral Sketch book (not a glued binding); any size; label with name*

Summer Assignments Grade 5-8

Math 5-8

Complete Math Summer Solutions WB-Due the first day of school. WB will be checked for sufficient work. No calculator use allowed. This will count as your first project grade for 2018-2019 school year. **Grade will be affected if sufficient work (work you cannot simply do in your head) is not shown or any incomplete lessons.**

Algebra students should have all basic fraction equivalents memorized (thirds, quarters, fifths, sixths, eighths and ninths) as well as, all perfect squares up to 400 (20^2)

All incoming 5th, 6th and 7th graders should have mastery of basic facts (addition, subtraction, multiplication tables-**including 12's**, and division).

Basic skills worksheets may be found at:<http://www.math-drills.com/multiplication.php>

ELA Assignments Grades 5-7

You are to complete the summer assignment for your **INCOMING** grade in September. Each student is to choose **TWO books** from your grade and do the following:

1. For each chapter in the book, list 5-10 key details
2. When you have completed the entire novel, answer the following question in an extended response of 8-10 sentences: ***If you were a new character in the novel, who would you be and how would your character fit into the plot of the story?***
3. **ALL WORK IS TO BE DONE NEATLY ON LOOSE LEAF**

Suggested Summer Reading Book List:

Grade 5

A Wrinkle in Time- Madeleine L'Engle
The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe- C.S.Lewis
Matilda- Roald Dahl
Frindle- Andrew Clemens

Grade 6

Diary of a 6th Grade Ninja- Marcus Emerson
Island of the Blue Dolphins- Scott O'Dell
Little Women- Louisa May Alcott
The Secret Garden- Frances Hodgson Burnett

Grade 7

The Giver- Lois Lowry
The Outsiders- S.E. Hinton
My Brother Sam is Dead
The Pearl- John Steinbeck
The Diary of Anne Frank

Grade 8

1. Select a book of your own choosing - be sure it is approved by your teacher.
2. After reading it, make a poster entitled "*The Top Ten Reasons For Reading This Novel*" (include the TITLE AND AUTHOR).
3. Include: use of literary devices, setting, author's point of view, subject matter, etc.
4. Be specific about the reasons for reading it. DO NOT REPEAT THE SAME REASONS.
5. Poster **MUST** be neatly done. Reasons can be typed or handwritten

This assignment is due the first day of school.

This assignment is in addition to Religion report below.

Summer Religion Assignment for Grade 8

To prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation, you will be required to do the following:

1. Write a report on the saint you are choosing for Confirmation. **In the first paragraph**, discuss why you have chosen that saint. Give a **LITTLE** background information on the life of that saint, but center your report on why you have chosen that particular saint.
2. **In the second paragraph**, discuss what name you have chosen and why (is it a family name? Does your family have a particular devotion to that saint? etc.)
3. **In the third paragraph**, discuss why Confirmation is such an important sacrament to receive in the 8th Grade
4. You will make a cover sheet with the words CONFIRMATION SAINT REPORT and put your name in the lower right hand corner.
5. You will also have at least two illustrations on the cover.

FORMAT:

Introduction: 4-5 sentences

Each body paragraphs (three of them): at least 8 sentences each

Conclusion: 4-5 sentences

IN ADDITION: you will bring to class on the first day of school the following:

1. Your Confirmation Sponsor Sheet, Candidate Form, Service Hour Form, and a Confirmation Fee of \$50.00 (*checks made out to St. Columba*). These forms can be downloaded on www.stcolumbaonline.org under the Religious Education Tab and Confirmation – or from our website.
2. You will also bring in the attached form with the name you would like on your diploma. IT MUST HAVE A PARENT'S SIGNATURE.
3. A baby picture for the yearbook - write your name on the back of the picture.
4. An appropriate quote for the yearbook with the author of the quote. Write on an index card with your name on the back.

ENJOY YOUR VACATION - WE WILL SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!

Please detach and return to school on the first day, September 5, 2018

STUDENT'S NAME ON DIPLOMA _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____