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Happy Summer!



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School Updates

Summer Greetings! Please know of our prayers for each of you during this important time of rest and relaxation. While the pace is certainly different around our school and parish grounds, it is still a busy place as we work to improve our campus, our strategic planning, and our student services and programs going into 2021-22. In moving beyond the difficulties of the pandemic, St. Patrick is poised for new and exciting things next school year and beyond!

The newest faculty members described below have joined our team and will play pivotal roles in our mission. Have a happy July 4th and on behalf of Fr. Jeff, Fr. Quan, our parish staff, and our entire St. Patrick faculty and staff, we miss you and hope you are well!

- Dr. Sturtzel

Introducing Our Newest Faculty Members for 2021-22

We are thrilled to welcome these dynamic and talented educators to our team this school year and we can't wait for you to meet them!

Ms. Caitlin Yates - Learning Coordinator (5-8th Grades): Ms. Yates will be our new Learning Coordinator and has formerly taught and held teacher leadership positions in middle grades for the past six years in Orlando, FL and most recently in Oldham County. This role was formerly held by Ms. Coomes. As a former Math Department Chair and Lead Teacher, Ms. Yates has supported students, teachers, and administrators in student learning initiatives and accommodations, curriculum development and alignment, and budget coordination. She is excited to join our faith-driven Catholic school community as she grew up attending a private Christian school in her hometown in Indiana. Ms. Yates earned a bachelor's degree in Secondary Education from Indiana University Southeast and a master's degree in Educational Leadership from Indiana University.

Mrs. Jane Mattingly - 7/8th English Teacher: Mrs. Mattingly brings a unique background and perspective as she assumes the role of working with our oldest students to become better writers. This role was formerly held by Ms. Spalding. For the past two school years, Mrs. Mattingly taught English to sophomores and juniors at St. Gertrude High School in Richmond, VA. Prior to that, she has taught theatre grades 2-10, worked as a theatre production dramaturgy, taught speech/writing/stage classes as an adjunct instructor at VCU, and spent many years as an Arts Reporter writing critical reviews of local performances for the LEO and other publications. She is a certified teacher in Virginia and Kentucky and earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Louisville and a master's degree in Fine Arts from Virginia Commonwealth University. Mrs. Mattingly is a proud Assumption graduate and Archdiocese of Louisville product and she's excited to move back to her hometown.

Ms. Mary Allison Doyle - Library Media Specialist: Ms. Doyle will be fulfilling a new role as we redesign an exciting and relevant library media program for St. Patrick. She will be overseeing our content curation in the Middle School Learning Commons and the early elementary circulation. Ms. Doyle has 11 years of experience teaching middle school in public and Catholic schools, including the past 8 years as a Library Media Specialist in Bullitt County. She is a SHA alumni and has earned a bachelor's degree in Middle Grades Education and a master of science degree in Library Media Education, both from the University of Kentucky. She will be teaching classes to grades 5-8 on media literacy, including academic research, digital citizenship, STEM projects, and more. Ms. Doyle will also be supporting our newly constructed Maker Space classroom, the Theriot TV Media Studio, and possibly an extracurricular Robotics program.

Mrs. Jamie Korfhage - Elementary Math Interventionist: Mrs. Korfhage joins St. Patrick's faculty in a new part-time role to our school with five years of teaching experience at St. Aloysius. She earned a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education with a Math concentration as well as a master's degree in Teacher Leadership, both from the University of Louisville. Mrs. Korfhage has experience in multiple grades and also as a mentor teacher; she will be working primarily with students in grades Kindergarten through 3rd grade who need remediation or enrichment in Math.

Ms. Katie Goben - Counselor and SEL Teacher: Ms. Goben joined St. Patrick last school year in March 2021 as a full-time Instructional Assistant, and she did a little bit of everything! Thanks to her flexibility, talents, and willingness to learn new things, Ms. Goben was an invaluable asset working with middle school students, helping the Leadership Team and front office, and supporting teachers in a variety of ways. She has two degrees from Spalding University, her most recent earned this past spring in School Counseling. For the 2021-22 school year, Ms. Goben will be in a new role supporting students and Ms. Lindon as an additional part-time counselor, as well as leading middle school students in social-emotional lessons.

Mrs. Jessie Gogulski will be a new teacher at St. Patrick in 2nd grade next school year alongside Mrs. French and Mrs. Wheatley. She served as an instructional assistant in 1W this past year and is taking the vacancy left by Ms. McGrath. Mrs. Gogulski and her family moved to Louisville last summer from Texas. She is a certified K-5 teacher with a bachelor's degree from Quincy University and over 10 years of teaching experience in Illinois and Texas in grades K-2. Mrs. Gogulski's skill and experience will be a great addition to our faculty!

Ms. Hannah Goss is a new hire and first-year teacher that will fulfill a 3rd grade position alongside Ms. Tyra and Mrs. Mattingly. This position is also new because 3rd grade is back to three classes. Some families may know Ms. Goss, as she is a St. Patrick alumni. Ms. Goss also graduated from Sacred Heart Academy and earned her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education this spring from the University of Louisville, where she received multiple scholarships and student leadership appointments during her time there. Last year Ms. Goss completed her student teaching at Holy Trinity, so she gained quality experience during the pandemic. In interviews with Ms. Goss, she recalled her Celtic experience fondly, and attributed our Student Stewardship program for her love of service and reason for pursuing a professional career in education!

Mrs. Teresa Pina - 4th Grade Science and Library Media/STEM: Some of our families got to know Mrs. Pina very well last year when she took on the role of 4th Grade Homeroom Teacher in September of 2020 teaching Science and Religion. This year Mrs. Pina will be teaching 4th grade Science as well as facilitating an exciting Special Area class (JK-4th) in Library and STEM. Students in this weekly class will have the opportunity to check out books from our Library as well as participate in unique projects centered around literacy, technology, and more hands-on experiences. Mrs. Pina earned her bachelor's degree in Business from Sullivan University and will be completing a master's degree in Education from the

University of Cumberlands later this year. She has formerly worked in education at a charter school in California, as well as teaching classes at her local church and to prospective foster care parents. Mrs. Pina has also led several community and civic engagements, written educational grants, and also homeschooled all six of her children for more than 20 years!

A warm welcome to all of these talented educators on joining our St. Patrick faculty!

Important Dates 2021-22

- **July 26-30** - 9:00-11:00 a.m.: Jumpstart to Kindergarten Camp (registration closes July 5th)
- **August 3** - 6:30-7:30 p.m.: Mandatory 6th Grade Chromebook Orientation for Parent & Student (Zoom Meeting)
- **August 11** - 6:30-7:30 p.m.: Optional Carpool Orientation for new and returning families (Held in Church)
- **August 16** - Curriculum & Instruction Fee (\$575) per child withdrawn via FACTS
- **August 18** - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.: Mandatory New Family Orientation for Preschool, JK, and Kindergarten families (Begins in Church and then transitions to classrooms)
- **August 18** - 7:00 p.m.: Mandatory New Family Orientation for Transfer Families Grades 1-8 (Church only)***Families with multiple children only attend one New Family Orientation session
- **August 23** - 3:00-6:30 p.m.: Back to School Fair for all Families. Come anytime within the window.
- **August 24** - 10:00-12:00 p.m.: New Student Orientation for Transfer Students in Grades 1-8 (Schindler Hall - drop off at Main School Office)
- **August 25** - First Day of School - 1:30 p.m. Dismissal

Beacon of Hope Renovations Project & Other Summer Happenings

The final phase of the Beacon of Hope is in full force this summer. All of Miles Hall, which is a three-level building that includes 14 classrooms, storage and maintenance areas, bathrooms, and a Maker Space classroom, is currently in deep repair as the new HVAC units are installed and the old units are torn away. By early August, we expect all spaces to have new and improved rooftop units rather than classroom ones. The modular system will ensure each classroom has better air-quality, a quieter and more durable unit, and individually controlled thermostats.

Other summer work is happening, too, including deep cleaning, painting, and repairs. St. Patrick's IT infrastructure is also receiving heavy upgrades and recabling, and we are ordering, installing, and planning for more technology upgrades (i.e. Chromebooks, laptops, interactive classroom boards) throughout the summer months. We will also be revealing a new school website next month!





Large crane lifting rooftop units into position.



Miles Hall classroom



Miles Hall hallway

Health Records Updates

Time to make your doctor appointments!

[JK/K Health Forms](#)

[Grade 1st-8th Health Forms](#)

Medical Requirements from the Parent/Student Handbook:

JK/K: A physical exam and, proof of vision exam from an optometrist or ophthalmologist and, updated immunization records on the required State of Kentucky form.

Incoming 6th grade: A physical exam AND, A new immunization certificate showing updated booster vaccinations.

Transfer students 1st-8th grade: Copies of all updated physical and vision exams and immunization records.

Please send records prior to the first day of school to: stpatrickhealthrecords@stpatlou.org



Celtic Athletic Ministry

Access the link below for the latest information regarding Celtic Athletics.

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Thanks and keep enjoying Summer!

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