

# ST. THERESA CATHOLIC

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## August 24, 2023 News & Updates

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### Upcoming Important Dates:

8/25/23 Smith Pro Uniform/Spirit  
Wear second order deadline

9/25/23 No School

8/31/23 Spirit Day

9/4/23 No School

9/20/23 Picture Day

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## School News



### Uniform Orders

The next order deadline for uniform items from Smith Pro is **Friday, August 25**. Make sure to get your order in for delivery at the end of September. Smith Pro is the only vendor that offers our green uniform shirt required for Mass.

Lands End is offering a sale on uniform items. See the attached [flier](#) for more information. Lands' End is an option for spirit wear and uniform clothing orders. In the Lands' End school store you will find all of our approved uniform items available for ordering. You

may order from Lands End whenever you choose and all items will be directly shipped to your home.

Here is what is available:

Uniform basics – pants, shorts, skirts, jumpers (you may still purchase from other vendors)

Uniform shirts – navy and white available with option of adding school logo

Uniform fleece – black fleece with school logo

Spirit Wear Items – These items are not part of the uniform code but may be worn on spirit wear days throughout the school year. You have the choice of colors to choose from with the school screen print logo.

**Used uniform items** - Contact Meg's Howes if you need uniform items such as pants, shorts, fleeces, polos, etc. She has an inventory of used uniform items and may be able to help you complete uniform pieces for your child. Megs, [mhowes@stsdsm.com](mailto:mhowes@stsdsm.com) or 515-720-4060.

## **Middle School Parents**

Please have your student return the permission/agreement forms to their homeroom teacher on Wednesday. If you missed the open house, your child's packet is due back Thursday morning. Thank you for your prompt response.

## **Leader in Me Family Survey**

Beginning this year we are going to begin the Leader in Me program in our PK-8 classrooms. Our faith will be infused throughout our learning. We will focus on developing life-ready leaders by focusing on the 7 Habits of Leadership & Life Skills and the 4 disciplines of Data-Driven Achievement.

One of our first steps is to have parents complete this survey: [Leader in Me Survey](#) This information will be used for baseline data as we begin this program. We appreciate your input by completing this survey.

## **Breakfast**

Breakfast is served every morning from 7:45-8:10 a.m. in the gym. Students will now enter through the K doors and walk down to the gym. This will allow for us to lock the doors for extra security and have students enter through our carline doors. An adult will be outside at 7:45 a.m., at that time your student may get out of your car and exit the vehicle.

## New Families

Please make sure you have set up a FACTS account through St. Theresa School. This account is where we apply your Tuition, state grant, ESA, CTO and if your child will be eating lunches at St. Theresa we can bill through FACTS. Please make sure this has been completed before the start of the school year.

[Set up FACTS account](#)

## All Families

St. Theresa uses jmc for our student information system (online database) for emergency contact information, school lunch and required forms. **All families are required to complete the registration/re-registration process by Wednesday, August 30.**

If your child has two parents living separately, only one of you will log in and go through the registration process. Once you have completed the steps, please contact the school office and we will add the second parent as a primary contact as well so they can access everything through jmc.

[Register or re-register for jmc](#)



## Mum Sale

Support our STCS teachers by purchasing a mum or more. All proceeds raised will provide funding for teachers needs and all school events throughout the year.

10" Garden Mums are supplied by Goode Greenhouses.

Cost: \$25 - 1 mum, \$45 - 2 mums, 3 or more mums \$20 each.

Orders are due by Thursday, August 31. Mums are available for pick up on Friday, September 8 outside the parish hall under the carport, 2:30 -6 p.m.

Order [Here](#)

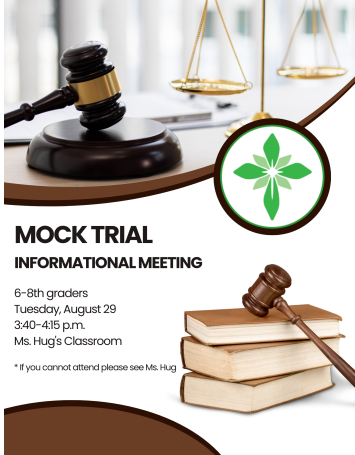
Payment is due at the time of order either via check payable to St. Theresa turned into the school office, or through the online payment church portal

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stgiving> under Parent Teacher Club fund.

Please contact Erica Ries, [erica.ries11@gmail.com](mailto:erica.ries11@gmail.com) if you have questions.

## Busing

Starting Monday, August 28 we will run both our morning and afternoon bus routes again. Thank you for your flexibility with suspending afternoon routes this week with the extreme heat.



## Mock Trial

We will be offering a Mock Trial again this year. Meghan Hug will be our St. Theresa Teacher Liaison, Frank Steinbach will be our Attorney, and two to four Dowling students will be helping coach the students.

There will be an informational meeting on Tuesday, August 29 after school in Ms. Hug's classroom. The meeting will conclude at 4:15pm. Please pick up your student in the school pick up/drop off area on the playground.

## Band: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday Mornings 8:00-8:25 a.m.

Band will be offered this year to 5th-8th grade students. Full band practice will be on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 8:00-8:25 a.m. with our new Band & Music Teacher Ms. Elizabeth Patrick. Students will enter through the carline doors in the parking lot. Bus students are typically here by 8 a.m. If your student needs breakfast, you will want them to be at school prior to band practice on those days. This will allow ample time for band full band practice and not impact direct academic instructional time. Students will have their lessons during the school day. We will work with classroom teachers to create a schedule that best meets the needs of the student. There is still time to sign up and participate in band. Ms. Patrick will be testing students the first couple weeks of school.

## School Supply Lists

Supply lists are posted on our school website under "About Our School" or by clicking [here](#).

## Lunch Menu

Checkout the updated lunch menu on the school website or by clicking [here](#).

## [Volleyball Game Schedule](#)

## Dress Code Policies

As your family prepares for returning to school, please make sure you review the updated Dress Code Policies. You may access the uniform policy on our website by clicking on "About Our School" tab then click "Handbook" or by clicking [here](#). As you schedule hair cuts, make sure they align with the guidelines. Make sure you have enough collared shirts for your student to wear each day.



**BOYS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS**

**BOYS MAROON**  
BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

**AUGUST 27TH**

- 5TH GRADE- 3PM
- 6TH GRADE- 4PM
- 7TH GRADE- 5PM
- 8TH GRADE- 6PM

**MVP SPORTS**

4600 Park Ave • Des Moines, IA 50321

Please register at the link so we know how many kids to prepare for.

**Register:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfnn5hGoZDGaEmgoB5njxXBDu3AhmVXfbWkooaezjG8UJ5tw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfnn5hGoZDGaEmgoB5njxXBDu3AhmVXfbWkooaezjG8UJ5tw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Thank you! Go Maroons!

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## Community News



The City of Windsor Heights is showing Zootopia on September 1<sup>st</sup> at Colby Park. We will be handing out pizza, popcorn, drinks and cookies to the first 200 attendees starting at 7:15 p.m. The movie will start at 7:45 p.m. Bring a chair or blanket to watch the movie outside under the stars.

If there is inclement weather the movie will be moved inside the Community Event Center (6900 School Street). We will update information on our [social media pages](#).

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