



# ST. ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL



Dear Parents,

July 2024

Welcome to a new year at St. Aloysius Catholic School! We are looking forward to a year of spiritual formation for your child as well as continuous academic growth. As an SAS parent, you are not simply enrolling your child in our school, you are pledging your family to actively join a rich community rooted in Catholic tradition, strong in Catholic education, and committed to serving one another as living examples of the Catholic faith. Know that you have been in our prayers this summer. Please pray for our faculty and staff as we prepare to welcome your children.

I would like to first offer a sincere welcome to all our new families. We are thrilled to welcome our new Prek and kindergarten families as well as our new students and parents in all grades. My prayer is that you and your children find a home here in our “caring Catholic community of faith”. Please reach out to us with any questions or concerns. We want this new school transition to be as smooth as possible for your family.

Fr. Michael Alello, Fr. Nutan, faculty, staff, and I look forward to working with all of you and your children this year. As the new school year quickly approaches, I would like to share several notable events and important information. Please note the school calendar can be accessed from the school website. Once school begins, you will receive the Lion’s Roar via the FACTS Family Portal, which is the weekly publication with important dates/information. Please stay informed! -Erin Candilora, Principal

## **General Information**

- The SAS Website at <https://www.aloysius.school/> is the best way to stay connected! The “year in review” calendar as well as the monthly event calendar are under “Calendar”. Events are continuously updated.
- Parent/Student Handbook & Agreement Form  
Each parent must read the Parent/Student Handbook and agree to abide by the policies <https://www.aloysius.school/student-handbook>  
The Parent/Student Handbook Enrollment Agreement Form must be completed for EACH student (attached). Please print and sign the attached form, which must be returned to your child's homeroom teacher on the first day they report to school. Do not send this form via email; it must be a hard copy, as per the diocese.
- Pre-Purchased School Supplies  
School Supplies were included in your tuition cost and will be waiting for your child in his/her classroom on the first day of school. Additional supplies should be sent on the first day of school. Click for a list of additional supplies. <https://www.aloysius.school/important-links>
- Class Placement  
The Family Portal will open on Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, but we will also send an email with all class lists.

- **Carpool Decals**  
Each new family will receive one carpool decal at the beginning of the school year. If you would like to purchase additional carpool decals, please complete the form below by Friday, August 16, 2024.  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDLREquiTlsgoqSCKVr53PFhHyJ13qwJBI-5UUMsyYYjaFOg/viewform>
- **School Hours/Dates – Please note the “staggered start”.**  
Tuesday, August 6th - Only students in Grades 5-8 will attend.  
Wednesday, August 7th - Only students in Grades 1-4 will attend.  
Please note that EBR buses will NOT run on August 6 & 7. To expedite drop off and pick up, all bus students must be dropped off and picked up in the school administration parking lot off Mimosa St.  
  
Thursday, August 8th - All students in Grades 1-8 will attend.  
Thursday, August 8th & Friday, August 9th -PK and K have staggered days (The schedule will be emailed separately.)

### **School Uniforms**

Uniforms are available at School Time, our exclusive uniform vendor, on Jefferson Hwy. They have all the specifications for PreK-8<sup>th</sup> Grade.

- The dress uniform is required every Thursday and other designated days. The dress uniform for girls in grades 5-8 is a skirt or skort with a uniform shirt. The dress uniform for girls in grades K-5 is a jumper with a uniform blouse worn underneath. The blouse under the jumper for mass must be buttoned down the front. The blouse can be either the white pointed collar blouse, white oxford blouse, or the Peter Pan collar blouse with navy blue piping (in grades Pre-K-2). Boys should wear uniform pants and a uniform shirt.
- The Sweatshirts and Sweatpants (optional items) include the Navy-blue hooded sweatshirts with the approved school logo may be worn by students in grades 6-8 for the 2024-2025 school year only. Beginning 2025-2026, hooded sweatshirts will not be allowed. Only navy blue, crew neck St. Aloysius logo sweatshirts may be worn in grades PreK-5. These sweatshirts may be purchased at School Time.

St. Aloysius CSAA team sports sweatshirts (basketball, cheerleading, football, track, swimming, cross country, or volleyball) or St. Aloysius activity/club sweatshirts (band, choir, or Advisory Board) in which the student is a participant may be worn in grades 3-8 only on designated days.

- **Spirit Shirt Order Form PreK-8**  
We are excited to announce that our St. Aloysius Spirit Shirts will have a new look! The 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will still have their special shirts different from the other grade levels. The cost of spirit shirts is included in tuition. Please complete the Web Form in the FACTS Family Portal for EACH student no later than Sunday, August 4. To access the Web Form, log into your FACTS account. Using the left-hand menu, select "School", then "Web Forms". On the "Web Forms" page, click on the "Family Demographic Form". Scroll down and click on "Spirit Shirt Size" for each student.
- **St. Aloysius Spirit Store**  
The St. Aloysius fan spirit store which has everything from polos to stadium seats and everything in between is now live! Use the link below to view the online store and order any

items you wish. The store will be open until Sunday, August 4th to allow for the first orders to be filled. Show your Lion pride and order your gear today!

<https://staloyspiritwear24.itemorder.com/>

## **Transportation**

- **Bus Schedules**  
East Baton Rouge Parish will provide bus assignments and schedules during the last week of July or the first days of August. As updated information is made available, we will pass it along immediately. If you have any questions, email Mrs. Goebel at [lgoebel@alloysius.org](mailto:lgoebel@alloysius.org).
- **Carpool Procedures** – See attached map.  
To ensure the safety of our students, it is imperative that you follow the carpool guidelines. Supervision of students begins at 7:15 a.m., therefore, students may NOT arrive on campus before the duty teacher arrives at 7:15 a.m. All cars must enter the parking lot no later than 7:40 a.m. (See Carpool Information Below.)
- **Walkers/Bike Riders**  
If your child(ren) will walk or ride a bike to school during the 2024-25 school year, please complete the form below by Friday, August 2.  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Py0sNu-K3CYZXv03GeMSwZHJ-5ndSfTdX6B-jbqOMac/edit>
- **Aftercare**  
If you are interested in the Aftercare Program and have not registered your child, do the following:  
To access the Family Portal:  
Go to [www.factsmgt.com](http://www.factsmgt.com)  
Log in to your [FACTS Family Portal](#)  
Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the link provided.  
Go to the left-side Navigation Menu  
Click on **School**  
Click on **Resource Documents**  
Click on **Aftercare Registration**

## **Athletics**

Below are the sign-up links for our fall sports. Please sign up by **July 28th** but the sooner the better, so uniform inventory as well as participation numbers can be verified.

Please ensure to complete your medical history form (link below) before practice. If you or someone you know is interested in coaching, please reach out to Eric Burton, SAS Athletic Director, at [athletics@alloysius.org](mailto:athletics@alloysius.org).

Football (4th-8th grade)- <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/EcDJxhLc>  
Girls Basketball (3rd-8th grade) - <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/5nqXAiXc>  
Cross Country (5th-8th grade) - <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/B0qwSbuN>  
Swimming (5th-8th grade) - <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/Xsgy4vdz>

Medical History Form -  
<https://forms.gle/RxYexKPiGztLoYEPA>

## Home & School Committee

Looking for ways to get involved? We are always looking for volunteers - please use our link [SAS Home & School Committee: Volunteer Form 2024-25 \(google.com\)](#). We welcome all parents and grandparents to volunteer with us throughout the year.

We encourage all parents, especially those who are new to our school community, to become Child Protection Certified. Why is CHILD PROTECTION CERTIFICATION IMPORTANT?

It is **REQUIRED** by the Diocese to:

- Volunteer at school
- Chaperone a field trip
- Coach a school team
- Lead a class retreat small group
- Participate in classroom activities

For more information, please visit the [Diocese safety webpage](#) or email Edie Boudreaux, Child Protection Coordinator, at [eboudreaux@aloysius.org](mailto:eboudreaux@aloysius.org) for the necessary links and forms.

Please note that the Diocesan database rolled over last spring. In the process, some data was lost. If your files were affected, you will receive an email from Edie Boudreaux. Please take care of any requests as soon as possible to ensure that you will be able to volunteer for the 2024-25 school year.

## First Aid

Epi-pens, Inhalers, and emergency medications are due before your child's first day of school in order for us to meet your child's medical needs. New orders and medication are due Thursday, August 1, 2024. Please check **expiration dates** before bringing medication to school. All downloadable Medication Forms can be printed and uploaded on the Family Portal. To access the Family Portal:

Go to [www.factsmgt.com](http://www.factsmgt.com)

Log in to your [FACTS Family Portal](#)

Type in your username and password. If you have forgotten your username or password, please click on the link provided.

Go to the left-side Navigation Menu

Click on **School**

Click on **Resource Documents**

Click on the form you require (e.g. Prescription/Over the Counter Medication)

Please email the nurses for any questions or concerns at [nurses@aloysius.org](mailto:nurses@aloysius.org) Thank you for helping us prepare for a fresh new start for the 2024-25 school year. Michaelyn Bellelo, RN, and Amy Johnson, RN

**SAS Carpool Procedures**  
**(map is attached)**

Carpool procedures are followed for the safety of all children. Morning Carpool takes place from 7:15-7:40. If you arrive after 7:40 a.m., you must come to the school office to check your child into school. Dismissal is at 2:50 p.m. and carpool ends at 3:10 p.m. If you do not pick up your child by 3:10 p.m., he/she will be sent to the library and a late charge will be assessed.

BRPD officers and school personnel will be on hand in the parking lots to assist with carpool procedures. Students must be dropped off in the grade-appropriate carpool line (see attached map). Older students use the carpool line of the youngest student in the family. No parent may park and walk their child on campus.

**Carpool by Grade Level:**

Carpooling parents should use the three designated front parking lots in the morning and the afternoon. All children, PreK-8, must be dropped off at the designated site. No students are to be dropped off or picked up by the KC Hall, the Childcare Center, or the Administration Building.

In special cases where EBR buses will not run, all bus students will be dropped off and picked up in the Administration Lot. These special dates will be communicated via text, email, and the weekly newsletter.

Carpool will be dropped off and picked up in the following areas adjacent to Stuart Avenue:

Primary Carpool: Entrance A/Exit B Lot- Grades PreK, K, and 1 (and those riding with PreK, K, and 1)-carpool area nearest football field

Elementary Carpool: Entrance C Lot- Grades 2, 3, and 4 (and those riding with 2, 3, and 4) Middle Carpool Lot

Middle School Carpool: Entrance D Lot- Grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 Church Office Lot

Please do not block Stuart Ave. when arriving for the afternoon carpool. All drivers are expected to exhibit Christian behavior during carpool procedures.