

July 6, 2021

Dear St. Joseph Catholic School Families,

I hope this finds you and your family well. Attached are the teacher's supply lists for the upcoming year. They will also be available on the school website.

Having the correct supplies helps ensure student success from the beginning. We also realize that school supplies are much less expensive and more readily available at this time of the year.

Please pay close attention to the folder system we are implementing across grades K – 8. We are going to work very hard this year on teaching the skill of organization. You will notice your students all using the same color folders for each subject. This is a seemingly small detail but goes a long way in helping students be organized. Every year they will know the math folder is red and the social studies folder is blue! If you have trouble finding a specific color, please let me know and we will help!

Please also note the differences in needs for cleaning and disinfecting supplies. We want to ensure we have plenty of these supplies while not asking for items we do not need at this time.

While planning for the coming school year is not as uncertain as last summer, there are some remaining unanswered questions related to masks, distancing and gatherings at schools.

As we did all last year, we will continue to follow the guidance of the CDC and Pima County Health Department. They will be issuing back-to-school guidance, and we will let you know as soon as we hear anything from them.

We will not be offering remote learning as a regular, daily option. However, if a student becomes ill or has to quarantine, we will be able to offer remote learning for that time period. More information on this will be provided closer to the start of school.

At this point in the summer students are excited to get back to school. We are excited for the year ahead. We look forward to having all of our families back in a safe and healthy environment.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Mrs. Van Loan, Principal