



St. Vincent de Paul School
13442 Lorain Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44111

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Greetings to our St. Vincent de Paul Families!

Next year, our Kindergarten Program will be located on the first floor in the Main Building (Room 8). **We will require our Kindergarten students to wear uniforms.** That means all of our programs will be conducted in the Main School Building and Annex...together at last as one big happy school family! Middle School will consist of grades 6-8 and remain on the top floor of the Main Building. Grade 4 (Room 11) and Grade 5 (Room 9) will be located on the first floor in the Main Building. Your principal and staff have had concerns about the readiness of 5th graders for the rigors of Middle School. Therefore, our intermediate grades (4th and 5th) will work more closely as a team next year. Since 5th grade is no longer included with the Middle School, parents will have the option with uniform selection.

As we begin our 87th year of Catholic education, the one constant at St. Vincent de Paul School is the noble tradition. We continue receiving great support from the Parish and Parish groups, and have a mission statement that revolves around our families who have chosen a Catholic education in the City of Cleveland.

Please mark your calendar for some important events in August of 2010...

- **Monday, August 2** the school office opens and our summer hours are 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon (We will begin regular office hours 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Monday, August 16)
- **Tuesday, August 24** is the first day of school for students in grades 1-8. It will be an early dismissal day, with school hours being 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. (Yes, school uniforms must be worn that first day) Kindergarten students and parents will be invited to an orientation that day.
- **Wednesday, August 25** will be another early dismissal day (8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) and the first day of school for our kindergarten students.
- **Thursday, August 26** will be our first **full** day of school (8:00 a.m. to 2:20 p.m.) for the entire student body grades K-8, with all of us in the Main School Building and Annex.
- **Monday, August 30** will be the first day of breakfast and hot lunches
- **Tuesday, August 31** will be our first *"Take Home Tuesday."* Remember to remove the contents of the *"Take Home Tuesday"* envelope, sign, date, and return the envelope the next day.

- **Wednesday, September 1** will be our first all school Mass for students in grades 2-8. Please know you are always welcome to join us at our weekly all school liturgy.
- **Monday, September 6** is Labor Day (No school)
- **Thursday, September 9** is our formal Open House (Details at a later time)

Once again this year, students will be allowed to wear all **BLACK** tennis shoes (w/ black shoelaces) with their uniforms, not just during PE classes. We are sensitive to the cost of **everything** nowadays and know the expense involved with purchasing dress shoes. We certainly encourage students to continue wearing dress shoes, but we wanted you to be apprised of an alternative when preparing your child for school each day.

Looking forward to a grand end-of-year and next school year of faith filled learning and fun!

God bless you,

Denise King
Your principal

Enclosures