



Hi Everyone,

Things are getting cooler, leaves are starting to turn and school is cruising along. It was good to have a decision on sports and know that games will be in our near future. We've got Back to School Night and School Pictures next week (details below). Clubs are also starting to get underway. Here are a few announcements as we head into the weekend.

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT: Each year, we host a Back to School Night. This is a chance for parents to follow their student's schedule, meet teachers, and hear a bit about expectations for class. This year, the event will be virtual and will be on **Tuesday, September 22** from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. The schedule for the evening is attached here. [Back to School Night COVID Agenda 2020.pdf](#) Parents should get meeting links from students (all of them are posted in Schoology in individual class pages). Teachers will be ready to share what to expect from class and answer questions parents may have. I will be available to answer questions (via zoom link that will come out later). I will also send a welcome video to all families in advance of the night.

SCHOOL PHOTOS: School photos are scheduled for Tuesday, September 22 and Friday September 25. Before school, during study hall or lunch, or as allowed by a teacher during class, a student should go to the auditorium, check in at the table in front of the stage and get a ticket, and then have his or her photo taken.

Remote students should provide their own photo by following these guidelines:

1. The photo should NOT be a selfie (have someone else take it)
2. The photo should be taken against a solid color background facing window light

3. The photo should be VERTICAL and taken from about 6' away and capture about half of the upper body - full shoulders and head
4. The photo should be at least **2MB** and in **.JPG** format
5. The photo should be emailed to yearbookphotos@johnbapst.org and in the subject line you should type your last name, first name/grade (ex. Kearns, Angela/9).

Once the photos are available the school will share a password protected link for you to view and purchase photos. Photo orders are final and cannot be changed once submitted.

LUNCH DELIVERIES AT SCHOOL: Students should **not** have food delivered to school (by outside organizations like restaurants, Door Dash, Uber eats, or others). Parents are welcome to bring lunches to their students – lunch is from 12:00 – 12:30 every day.

HOMEROOMS: We have changed homerooms for many of our 11th and 12th grade students so they can be in lunch with their friends. We will begin working on 10th and 9th grade homerooms in the same way. *Students who have had changes in their homerooms please remember to change the “teacher” entry in our school lunch account online.* If you order lunch online, it is automatically marked for your homeroom.

PROJECT GRADUATION: Because of the uncertainty around graduation, Project Graduation activities are on hold. As the end of the year becomes clearer, we will communicate with senior families what is possible regarding Project Graduation (and graduation itself!).

Have a great weekend!

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