



St. Martin of Tours CATHOLIC SCHOOL

An Independence Mission School

Principal's Message

Dear families,

Welcome to the staff two new members of the St. Martin of Tours community--Mrs. Jonelle Zepeda (PE) and Ms. Mackenzie Downing (building substitute)! To the right, please find a welcome message from "Mrs. Z."

This week, we welcome third through fifth grade back into the building. Next week, as we welcome back sixth through eighth grades, we will have all grades back to in-person instruction! This is a great milestone for our school. I am thankful to everyone who has made this possible, especially our families who have taken our protocols seriously.

As we continue our reopening plans, please note the following important policies that will keep all students and staff safe:

- All students should be dropped off through our carline. Please do not park in the parking lot in the morning.
- Please complete the symptom screener emailed to you each morning. If you are not receiving the email, contact the office.
- Please note that any travel out of state requires a 10-day quarantine period and any international travel requires a 14-day quarantine period.
- If your child or someone at home is sick, please do not send your child to school.

God Bless,
Ms. Nobles
Principal

Meal Distribution

**Food is distributed on Fridays from
7AM-12 PM.**

Hybrid students will be able to pick up three meals for the week, and virtual students will be able to pick up five meals for the week.

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Virtual School Hours

Beginning of instruction --8:00 AM
End of instruction--2:45 PM (M-Th), 10:30-11:00 (F)
Teacher Office Hours--11:00-12:00 Fridays

In-Person School Hours

Drop off begins--7:30 AM
Beginning of instruction--8:00 AM
PreK & K end of instruction--2:30 PM
1-8 end of instruction--2:45 PM

School Reopening

February 16--Grades 6-8 in a hybrid setting

Maroon cohort--Monday/Tuesday
Gray cohort--Wednesday/Thursday
All students virtual on Fridays

Students in grades 3-8 who report to the building are expected to bring a device (school or personal) with them to school. Please contact your child's teacher if you are in need of a device.

Welcome, Mrs. Z!

Hello! My name is Jonelle Hernandez Zepeda or Mrs. Z, and I will be taking over as the Physical Education and Health teacher for the remainder of the school year. I am very excited to start working with the students and getting to know each and every one of them. Together we will have a very fun and educational year! I plan to have fun yet challenging lessons covering basketball, tennis, roller hockey and much more. I would also like to include a few sessions that kids choose!



A little about me: I am married with two kids and live



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in the Wissahickon School district. I have an undergraduate degree from Gwynedd Mercy University and a Master in Multicultural Education, with a concentration in Health and Physical education. Next spring I will have my certification in Special Education and English as a Second Language. I plan to bring that knowledge into my PE and Health lesson to help the kids achieve their goals and to truly enjoy our time together!

Important Dates:

2/15--Presidents' Day--No classes
2/16--Return to the building for 6th-8th grades
2/17--Ash Wednesday
3/5--No classes; IMS PD
3/9, 3/10, 2/12--School Pictures (more information to come)
3/12--End of second trimester
3/15--Beginning of third trimester
3/19--Report cards released on Educate Parent Portal;
Parent Teacher Conferences 1 PM-3 PM

Administration Office Hours over Zoom

Click the link during the day/times listed below to stop in with questions or concerns! No appointment needed.

[*Ms. Nobles*](#)--Tuesdays 2-3 PM

[*Ms. Mychack*](#)--Fridays 11 AM-12 PM

[*Miss McCoog*](#)--Fridays 9 AM-10 AM

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