St. Rose Catholic School Mission Statement

Saint Rose Catholic School partners with parents to provide a high-quality Catholic education with academic excellence in a faith-filled community for children in preschool through eighth grade.

Prayer for the New Year

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

“St Rose is a special place because it has Jesus at the church and school, and we get to talk to Jesus a lot.”
- James Lobo, Kindergarten

Message from the Principal

Recently, it feels that the instances of unhappiness or grumbling regarding our school policy of checking into the office to pick up either a volunteer or visitor badge. This policy is in place for three reasons:

- **For the safety of the children:** employees in the school office know who is on campus. Others who may not know who the visitor or volunteer is, know that they have checked into the office and are cleared to be on campus.
- **For the safety of the visitor or volunteer:** in the case of an emergency, by signing into the office, there is a record of your being on campus and accountability for EMS personnel.
• **It is a Diocesan requirement:** much like tracking the attendance of children, we are required by
the Diocese of Monterey to keep a record of the coming and going of visitors and volunteers on
our grounds.

I believe that the most crucial aspect of my job is to make sure that all of the children at school are safe.
According to our most recent parent survey, **45% of all respondents listed “Safe Environment” as
either their first or second most important reason for sending their children to St. Rose Catholic
School.** Additionally, 97.44% of all respondents marked “Yes” when asked “Do you feel that your
children are safe at your school?”

I understand that some may feel that checking in to the school office is micromanaging or having
a policy for the sake of having it. If anything, please remember that this policy is in place for the safety
and protection of your sons and daughters.

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**For Your Information**

**St. Rose Clothing Store:** It has been great to see some of our kids wearing our new logo and clothing
options. For those of you who missed out on the last ordering window, or would like to order additional
items, please visit our website at [http://saintrosecatholicschool.org](http://saintrosecatholicschool.org) and click on “Saints Store” or visit J’s
Designs Custom Printing Apparel at [https://www.jsdprinting.com/st-rose-catholic-school-apparel](https://www.jsdprinting.com/st-rose-catholic-school-apparel) between
**January 21 and January 31.** All orders placed during this time will be available in the school office for
pickup starting on **Tuesday, February 18.** If you have any questions regarding your order, please contact
J’s Designs at [orders@jsdprinting.com](mailto:orders@jsdprinting.com)
School Library: You may know that we had a flooding issue in the school library in the middle of December. Over the Christmas holiday, we began working with our insurance to begin the process of rectifying the situation and getting the library back up to standards so that children can visit the library. In the meantime, students will have library time in their classrooms during their normal time and the Book Fair (January 27-31) will take place in the “Band Room” in the Parish Hall. Thank you for your patience with this matter.
Upcoming Events

Crab Feed: Our annual Crab Feed fundraiser, which benefits the 7th-grade class and their five-day field trip to Yosemite, will be held on Friday, January 24. As of this writing, there are only 13 tickets left for this event, which sells out yearly. **Tickets are $60.00 and can be purchased in the school office. This $60.00 includes all you can eat crab, salad, bread, pasta, and drink.** Additionally, for any parents who are needing service hours, we are looking for six adults and who do not have children in the 7th-grade. This commitment would run from 4:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. and would earn five hours.

Catholic Schools Week: Catholic Schools Week 2020 is rapidly approaching. **The theme for this January 26 - February 1 event is “Catholic Schools: Learn, Serve, Lead, Succeed.”** Please see the “Upcoming Dates to Remember” section of this newsletter for daily themes and clothing options. To learn more about Catholic Schools Week, please visit [https://www.ncea.org/csw](https://www.ncea.org/csw).

Bring a Friend to School Day: As part of our marketing plan, we like to have events that showcase St. Rose Catholic School. For the first time last school year, we hosted a “Bring a Friend to School Day” in February. We had eleven students attend last year’s event and had two of them register for the 2019-2020 school year. For this year’s event scheduled for February 10, I would like to more than double the number of attendees and registrations this year. For more information, please view our informational flyer and permission form at the end of this newsletter.

Old Items

Registration for 2020 - 2021 School Year: A few questions have already come up about registration dates for the 2020 - 2021 school year. **Preschool registration will be open from February 3 through February 14. K - 8 Early Registration will be open from March 2 through March 27. After March 27, registration fees for K - 8 will raise $50.00 per student.**

Online Statement Payments: I felt that it was essential to direct your attention to our "Donate Now" button on our webpage. This button is not only used for donations, but it can also be used to pay on your statement with a credit card. This button can be found directly on our homepage, or you can go to **GIVING - DONATE NOW - CLICK HERE TO MAKE a SECURE ONLINE PAYMENT.** [https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Fi1giPL8kwX_Oe1AO50jRpCvhCqEHZDXA7Tjtxus2OGhhXsUKRLlmI4vCU4-rZZZ2EvVVAEjqawDomKT1pbouaEDPFA-o_FuUiWbJXE9tIM=&ver=3](https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=Fi1giPL8kwX_Oe1AO50jRpCvhCqEHZDXA7Tjtxus2OGhhXsUKRLlmI4vCU4-rZZZ2EvVVAEjqawDomKT1pbouaEDPFA-o_FuUiWbJXE9tIM=&ver=3)

School Parking Lot: Please be ultra-cautious in the school parking lot, especially while the church construction is going on. In the last few weeks, we have had a few close calls with students or adults nearly being hit by cars. A few basic rules to follow to ensure safety for all students and adults:

- Do not leave your vehicle running while you are not in it.
- Park in a standard parking spot if you plan on getting out of your vehicle. If you plan on getting out of the car to walk your child into/find your child at the end of the day, park in a marked parking spot.
- Do not "double park" even if only for a short time.
- Keep your speed under five mph.
- Do not block crosswalks.
- Move your car forward to allow other vehicles to pull in during pickup and dropoff times.
- Always be attentive, refrain from using your cell phone at this time.

I know that adults are often aware of the school children in and around the parking lot; however, the children are not always as aware of cars as you are of the children.

Four Types of Seriously Annoying Drivers in the School Parking Lot

Please be part of the solution, don’t be one of these drivers! 😊
Upcoming Dates to Remember

January:
8 PTO Board Meeting @ 8:15
9 Auction Committee Meeting @ 8:00
10 Middle School Midterms Day 1, School Mass @ 8:30, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Preseason Girls Basketball Tournament @ Lillian Larsen time TBA
11 2nd grade parents and students Reconciliation Retreat
13 - 17 STAR Testing
13 Middle School Midterms Day 2
14 PTO General Meeting @ 6:00 in ALC, Boys Basketball vs. Cayucos @ 3:45
15 Buck A Jeans Day, Middle School Midterms Day 3, Girls Basketball vs. SLOCA @ 3:45, Boys Basketball vs. SLOCA @ 4:45, Parish Speaker Series @ 6:15
16 Auction Committee Meeting @ 8:00, Girls Basketball @ Cayucos @ 3:45, SAC Board Meeting @ 5:30
17 Middle School Midterms Day 4, 8th Grade Free Dress, Preschool - 5th Grade Interactive Drum Clinic @ 9:20, End of Quarter 2
20 No School/MLK Holiday
21 - 24 STAR Testing
21 Girls Basketball vs. Almond Acres @ 3:45, Boys Basketball vs. Almond Acres @ 4:45
22 Boys Basketball @ NCCS @ 3:45
23 Auction Committee Meeting @ 8:00,
24 Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Spirit Shirts, Gospel Awards @ 8:30, Crab Feed @ 5:00, Report Cards sent home
26 - 1 Catholic Schools Week
26 Family Mass @ 10:00
27 - 31 Book Fair in Parish Hall Band Room
27 CSW Theme: Community Heroes and Role Models
28 CSW Theme: Pajama and Crazy Hair Day, Girls Basketball vs. Coastal Christian @ 3:45, Boys Basketball vs. Coastal Christian @ 4:45
29 CSW Theme: Mismatch/Buddy Movie Day, Girls Basketball @ Shandon @ 3:45, Boys Basketball @ Shandon @ 4:45
30 CSW Theme: School Uniform Day, Southern Cluster All Schools Mass @ MCP @ 9:50, Auction Committee Meeting @ 8:00
31 CSW Theme: Formal Day/Grandparents Day, Mass @ 8:30, Minimum Day/Noon Dismissal, Girls and Boys Basketball Mid Season Tournament time TBA
1 First Reconciliation @ 10:00
I was very pleased with the 2019 St. Rose Catholic School Christmas Pageant. Again, a huge thank you goes out to all who made it a special event!

Thank you again for choosing St. Rose Catholic School for your child's education!
Trevor Knable
Bring a Friend to School Day, 2020

January 7, 2020

“Bring a Friend to School” is a program offered to current parents of Kindergarten through seventh-grade students to invite potential students to spend a day at St. Rose Catholic School. These prospective students can be part of their neighborhoods, sports clubs, summer camps, relatives, etc. This event is for students who are visiting St. Rose Catholic School for the first time, not for former students. Because of space limitations, reservations for visiting students will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis with up to eight guest students able to visit each grade level.

To participate in this program:

- **Parents of St. Rose Kindergarten through 7th-grade students may invite** one of their children’s friends to attend St. Rose Catholic School on **Monday, February 10**.
- St. Rose Catholic School parents should ask visiting student’s parents to complete the following “**Visiting Student Information and Permission Form**” by **February 7** and turn in to the school office. Permission forms will reserve a visiting student’s spot on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Visiting students who have not turned in a permission form will be unable to attend.
- St. Rose students are permitted to bring one friend. **Visiting students and parents must be genuinely interested in attending St. Rose Catholic School, not expecting this to be an opportunity to have childcare during a no school day in the Paso Robles public schools**.

On Monday, February 10:

- Visiting students can travel to and from school with their St. Rose friend, or can arrive separately and meet by the start of school. Visitors should be picked up by their parents or their St. Rose friend’s parents at the close of the school day.
- Visitors should bring his or her lunch, and any food allergies or medications should be noted on the permission form.
- Visitors should wear clothes that adhere to the **St. Rose Catholic School Free Dress Policy found on page 20 of our Parent Handbook**:
- Visitors must adhere to the policies and procedures of St. Rose Catholic School.

For more information: Please contact Michelle Machado in the front office at mmachado@saintrosecatholicschool.org or 805-238-0304 ext. 110
Bring a Friend to School Day, 2020

Visiting Student Information and Permission Form

Name of visiting child: ________________________________

Current school and grade level of visiting child: ________________________________

Visiting child’s St. Rose Catholic School friend is: ________________________________

My visiting child will (please circle one):

1. Arrive at SRS with her/her friend
2. Arrive at SRS separately by 8:00 a.m.

My name is (Parent/Guardian): ________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________

City: ________________ Zip Code: ________ Parent Email: _______________________

Daytime/Cell phone number: ________________________________ (in case of emergency)

Please list all known allergies for your child: ________________________________

Please list all medications (both prescription and non-prescription) and/or medical needs:

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Saint Rose Catholic School students and their guests are expected to follow the schoolwide policies and procedures found in the 2019 - 2020 Parent Handbook.


Saint Rose Catholic School does not carry individual student accident insurance. In the unlikely event of an accident, it is the family's responsibility for any medical bills incurred. If an accident occurs due to negligence, the school maintains full liability coverage.

I, ________________________________ hereby give my permission should my child need emergency care, for services rendered to my child by a licensed physician and/or hospital. If, in an emergency, I am unable to arrange for pick up within a reasonable amount of time, I give the school permission to transport my child to a licensed physician or hospital. I also understand that any medical bills are my responsibility.

Parent Signature: ________________________________ Date: ______________________

Please return your signed form to the St. Rose Catholic School office by February 7.