



ST. PAUL SCHOOL

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Welcome from the HSA Board

Dear Parents,

Welcome! We are excited to kick off this school year. We are looking forward to meeting everyone. We would like to take this opportunity to introduce the HSA (Home School Association) and the HSA Board members.

The HSA plays an integral part in our school, assisting the School Administration in creating a community for our children. All parents and guardians of the students at St. Paul School are members of the Home School Association.

The HSA Board consists of parents who expressed interest and availability in being more involved in the school to coordinate and plan events.

Besides events for the students, the HSA is tasked by the regional Catholic school system to raise \$47,000 as part of the overall financial budget. All Catholic schools have a similar requirement.

The HSA Board coordinates all school and fundraising events such as the Scholastic Book Fair, Gift Harvest, Me and My Guy dance, etc.

In order for these events to be successful, we rely on parents to volunteer to work on the event committees. Parents can also volunteer their time in other ways to provide service to the school. (See the Volunteer Commitment flyer)

HSA meetings are held throughout the year and we encourage parents to attend. See the dates listed on this page.

The Board would like to thank all parents in advance for their commitment to the school and the students.

We hope to see you at the Welcome BBQ on Sunday, September 8. Enjoy the rest of your summer!!

HSA Board Members

David Strayton – HSA President

Mary Mazzucca – HSA Vice President

Lisa Carroll – Administrative Assistant

Jennifer McGovern – Treasurer/Facebook

Azure McCormack – Parent Ambassador (K-8)

Christina Dolan – Events Coordinator

Meghan Aragao – Marketing/Facebook

Bryn Foley – Buildings & Grounds

HSA Open Meetings

Time: 7:00pm Place: Library

2019: October 23 December 4

2020: February 5 March 18

April 29 May 27

If you have any questions please contact the school directly or email the HSA Board at any time:

School Phone (845) 268-6506

HSA Board: HSA@SaintPaulschoolvc.org



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Home School Association (HSA)

Role of the parents in the Home School Association

The HSA is a parent led organization advising and assisting the School Administration in creating a school community for our children. All parent and guardians of the students at St. Paul School are members of the Home School Association.

The HSA is vital to the social and financial well being of the school. St. Paul's relies on parent volunteers and needs the efforts of *ALL* parents to make the school successful.

The coordination of events and programs is led by the HSA Board. The Board consists of parents who expressed interest and availability in being more involved in the school and events.

Financial Commitment

The regional Catholic school system requires the HSA to raise \$47,000 for the school as part of the overall financial budget. All Catholic schools have a similar requirement. This money is raised through both our Participation Fee and our fundraising events, such as the annual Gift Harvest, Clothing Drive, Me and My Guy Dance, etc.

The Participation Fee for 2019-2020 school year is \$300 (K-8) or \$150 (Pre-K) per family. This falls in line with other private and Catholic schools in our area whose programs have been in place for some time. The fee will be broken into two parts:

- \$200 (K-8)/\$100 (Pre-k) is applied to the Smart Tuition
- \$100 (K-8)/\$50 (Pre-k) can be offset through the Volunteer Commitment (see below)
- Families with students in both K-8 and Pre-K will only be responsible for the K-8 fee.

Volunteer Commitment

- K – 8 Families: Each family is required to volunteer for 10 hours a school year.
- Pre-K Families: Each family is required to volunteer for 5 hours a school year.
- Families with students in both K-8 and Pre-K only have to complete 10 volunteer hours.

Volunteer opportunities will be available on the school website. See the FAQ section for more information.

Volunteer Activity	Time of Year	Volunteer Hours
Class Parent	Sept - May	Full Commitment
Lunch Duty	Sept - May	2 hours per shift
Gift Harvest Committee	Ongoing to Event	Full Commitment
Volunteer on other HSA Events	Sept – May	3 hours each event (typically)
Other*	Sept – May	Varies

*In addition to the aforementioned volunteering opportunities, a parent can suggest an idea for a volunteer project or another way to provide service to the school as long as it is approved by the Administration and HSA Board.