

School Information

Pre-School Sessions (Pre-K3 & Pre-K4 sessions are for five days)

7:50 AM – 2:20 PM (full day)
7:50 AM – 10:35 AM (morning)
11:35 AM – 2:20 PM (afternoon)

School Sessions

The doors open at 7:40 AM. Pre K students go directly to their classrooms. K-8 students go to the gym and wait quietly with their classmates and teacher. Morning exercises begin at 7:50 AM. Students proceed to their classrooms at 8 AM. Any student arriving after 8 AM will report to the office and will be marked tardy. Homeroom is from 8:00-8:10 AM. The first class of the day begins at 8:10 AM. The school day ends with prayer at 2:25 PM and dismissal at 2:35 PM. On half days, which are marked on the school calendar, all students are dismissed at 12 noon.

Hot Lunch

Each day, hot lunch is provided for those who wish to buy it. The Lunch Menu is published with the monthly School Newsletter. Lunch is sold on a cash and carry basis. Otherwise, students may bring their lunch and purchase milk. Carbonated sodas or drinks in glass bottles may not be packed in lunch or snack bags.

Transportation

If your child resides 2 or more miles from St. Matthew School, we ask that you fill out a transportation form. This form should be completed whether or not you intend to transport your child yourself. By applying for transportation you will be notified: if your child is eligible for bus transportation or if you will be entitled to financial aid in lieu of transportation. Transportation Dept. phone numbers: Edison: 452-4560-4561-4562- 4563 or call your Towns Transportation Dept.

Services

The following services and programs are available at St. Matthew for grades K-8.

1. Compensatory Education under Chapter 192 (reading, math, writing)
2. Supplementary Instruction under Chapter 193
3. Speech Correction under Chapter 193

Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular Activities contribute to the spirit and energy of our programs. Important extracurricular activities are:

- Student Council - to develop responsibility and leadership potential.
- Athletics for both boys and girls.
- Scouts for both boys and girls.
- Choir - Children's (Gr. 3-4), Middle Choir (Gr. 5-7) and Youth Choir (Gr. 8)
- Band, Hand Bell, Altar Servers, Yearbook, Drama Club
- Class Officers, Constructors Club & Robotics Club

Uniforms

Uniforms are a means to help the children see each other as equals and in a non-competitive manner. They add to the spirit of our school. They are worn by all students from K to grade 8.

Regulation uniforms must be purchased from Flynn & O'Hara. Purchase orders are available in the school office. You can also order online at www.flynnohara.com.

- Shoes:** Sensible, appropriate tie shoes or loafers (black or brown) are to be worn. Shoes with high heels or thick soles etc. are a safety hazard and should not be worn in school. Boots are not worn in school. This includes dress boots.
- Sneakers:** Worn for physical education classes ONLY.

For your convenience, the school offers a uniform recycle shop. Call the school office for more information.

Physical Education Uniforms

Green gym shorts and yellow/grey tee shirts, sweat pants/sweat shirts green or gray can be purchased only through the school. Sweats may be worn over the gym uniform when classes are held outdoors, however St. Matthew sweats do not replace the gym uniform.