



St. Joseph Elementary School • Alameda, CA

August 25, 2017

Dear Families of Saint Joseph School,

As I visited each class this week, I was struck by their enthusiasm for learning as well as the kindness and respect that they showed for one another. Each of you should be proud of these outstanding young people.

Thank you for all that you did to help us get the school year off to a promising beginning. I want to extend a special thanks to the Parent Teacher Group who did so much to make last weekend's Back to School Welcome Barbeque so successful.

Next week, we will be holding our annual Back to School Night. I am writing to encourage all of you to attend this most important evening.

We will begin with a general introduction of teachers and staff members. After introductions, the teachers will go to their classrooms where you will be able to visit and learn more about what is planned for the coming year. This will include course descriptions, the structure of a normal class, homework policies, late/absent work policies, communication with parents, the grading system, formative and summative assessment, discipline policies and field trips. So, please don't forget this important date, Tuesday, August 29 beginning at 6:30pm in the Basilica.

Next Friday, September 1, our students will be participating in the Mass of the Holy Spirit. We pray for the guidance and direction of the Spirit as we embark upon another school year. Our Liturgy begins at 8:00am in the Basilica. We hope you will be able to join us.

God's Blessing On Each of Us.

Dr. Marquita Yriarte

Principal



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## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

### ***Drop Off and Pick Up***

For the safety and well being of our students, **under no circumstances** are parents to drop-off or pick-up students on Chestnut St. between Encinal Ave. and San Jose Ave., particularly in front of church and along the yard. **THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS IF YOU HAVE SIBLINGS ATTENDING SJND.**

### ***No Dogs on Campus At Anytime***

For the safety of all concerned, no dogs are allowed on campus at any time.

We sincerely appreciate and thank you for your cooperation in these matters.

**EL RANCHO, OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>.  
FUN • FOOD • GAMES**

**DON'T FORGET TO SELL YOUR EL RANCHO TICKETS!!!! NEED MORE? COME TO SCHOOL OFFICE.**

**Sell EL RANCHO tickets after mass on the weekends!  
Click here to sign up!**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1X8g58YjYrJVHSi3AzAa7DUxayZSt2SfnvISVbA8Pm6A/edit?usp=sharing>