



June 29, 2016

Dear Students & Parents:

I hope your summer is off to a wonderful start and that the next couple months bring your family a great deal of rest and relaxation!

I am writing to inform you that our 2016-17 school year will begin with **Angel Prep Day** on **Monday, August 15, 2016**.

Angel Prep Day is a single, pre-class organizational day for all students, grades 6-12, to handle the many logistical aspects that come with starting a new year. The purpose of Angel Prep Day is to bring together a range of needed elements, such as: ensuring the school has completed Emergency Cards, taking **yearbook photos**, providing student ID cards, issuing **iPads**, etc.

Completing all of these things in one day will improve our efficiency in serving students and parents, and will also ensure that everything is in good order before classes begin on Thursday, August 18, 2016.

In order to make Angel Prep Day go as smoothly as possible, parents are asked to fill out the online Emergency Card no later than Friday, August 5, 2016.

In addition to collecting your family's contact information, this Emergency Card form also covers things like the Family Handbook and the iPad Agreement.

One of the key elements that sets St. Catherine's apart is our family-like environment. That strong sense of community has been created by a long tradition of parents working alongside faculty and staff. We want all of our parents to participate in student life by volunteering at St. Catherine's. To best match your interests with our volunteer opportunities, we ask that you complete the Parent Volunteer Interest Inventory. We look forward to seeing you throughout the school year.

The online Emergency Card and Parent Volunteer Interest Inventory can be accessed on the Parents Resources/Forms page at www.saintcats.org/parents.

Note: Failure to fill out the Emergency Card form before August 5th will result in long waits and increased frustration on Angel Prep Day; it could also result in attendance disruption the first few days of school for the student.

If you need help or don't have access to Wi-Fi, please contact the main office to make arrangements to use a school computer and complete this before the deadline.

Angel Prep Day Details

- Students and parents will enter through Door 2 (SE Park St. entrance) where they'll progress through a series of stations and complete assigned tasks.
- Parents are **REQUIRED** to attend **IF** the online Emergency Card and accompanying forms are **NOT** completed. (All parents, however, are of course welcome.)
- Middle school students are required to be accompanied by a parent or an older, helpful high school sibling also enrolled at St. Catherine's.
- In order to make the day run smoothly, students and parents are assigned the following time slots based upon alphabet.

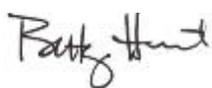
| | |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Last Names A through F |
| 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Last Names G through O |
| 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. | Last Names P through Z |

- Students should come dressed appropriately for their yearbook photo; they will also receive their photo ID card.
- All students will have access to their lockers if they wish to practice using a lock or want to drop off materials for school.

Please contact the main office at 632-2785 (Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.) if you have questions or if there is some reason you cannot attend Angel Prep Day. Thank you for understanding the importance of this event.

Best wishes for a safe and memorable summer.

Sincerely,



Betty Hunt '72
Principal