

August 2011

Dear Families,

Welcome back! I hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer with your family. It's an exciting time to be a part of St. Dominic Catholic School as we celebrate 50 years of Catholic Education.

**Art Classes** Each elementary homeroom will attend art once a week on Wednesdays, Thursdays or Fridays. Middle school art classes are once a week on Wednesdays or Thursdays for one semester for those students not participating in our band program.

**Grading Policy** Students in grades 1-8 will receive an **academic grade** (S-Satisfactory or N-Needs Improvement) and a **conduct grade** (G-Good, I-Inconsistent, or U-Unsatisfactory). Weekly grades will be available through Solutions.

**Discipline With Purpose** DWP skills are taught and implemented, and a grade is given for each skill (G-Good, I-Inconsistent, or U-Unsatisfactory).

The following procedures will occur for students demonstrating behavioral difficulties in the art classroom:

**K-2 grade students** will receive a verbal warning and description of the behavior that needs to be corrected. A yellow warning card will be given to the student as a visual reminder to self-correct. A red card will be given to the student who continues to demonstrate inappropriate classroom behavior. A *Specialty Teacher Discipline Form* will be sent home to be signed and returned the next day. **\*\*Any student who receives 2 or more *Specialty Teacher Discipline Forms* within a quarter will automatically receive an "I" and possibly a "U" for their quarterly conduct grade.**

**3-8 grade students** will receive a verbal warning and description of the behavior that needs to be corrected. A blank *Disciplinary Report Form* will be given to the student as a visual reminder to self-correct. If the student continues to demonstrate inappropriate classroom behavior, the student will be asked to sign the *Disciplinary Report Form* and a demerit or detention will be given. **\*\*PLEASE NOTE: Demerits and detentions will be issued without warning at Mrs. Castelin's discretion. Any student who receives 1 or more *Disciplinary Report Forms* within a quarter will automatically receive an "I" and possibly a "U" for their quarterly conduct grade. Demerits are due back to Mrs. Castelin with a parent signature on the NEXT school day. It is the STUDENT'S responsibility to make sure that it is returned. Failure to return a signed disciplinary form may result in the issuance of another *Disciplinary Report Form*.**

In an attempt to go green, future communications will be available through *Solutions* and the school website, [www.stdominicmobile.org](http://www.stdominicmobile.org). If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me through the school office on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, or by email.

Have a great year!  
Sincerely,

Debora Castelin

**Please complete and return the attachment by Friday, August 19, 2011.**

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**Parent Name**

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**Home/Cell Phone**

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**Parent Email Address**

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Child's Name

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Homeroom

- I have been trained in the Child and Adolescent Protection Program through the Archdiocese of Mobile.
- I would like to volunteer in Art, assisting with K-3 classes. **Volunteers will be scheduled to assist with both homerooms.** A schedule will be compiled and posted on the art webpage and/or *Solutions*. You are welcome to swap days with another at your convenience.

**Please circle the class times you would like to volunteer.**

**2011-2012 ART SCHEDULE**

Kindergarten 12:40-1:40 Fridays

1<sup>ST</sup> grade 1:00-2:00 Wednesdays

2<sup>nd</sup> grade 9:00-10:10 Fridays

3<sup>rd</sup> grade 10:15-11:15 Fridays

- I would like to assist with other art needs: Christmas tree trimming (December), Catholic Schools Week exhibit (January), Vocations Day Celebration (March), etc. Information will be posted on the art webpage and/or *Solutions*: work days, setup/take down, etc.

**THANK YOU!**