

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at St. Anthony of Padua! We are so excited that school is underway and hope that your child has had a wonderful week! For those that do not know me, I am Mrs. Jessica Garcia, the Music and Theatre Arts Teacher at St. Anthony of Padua School.

This year in music we will prepare grades to sing songs together as well as improve their knowledge of music theory, history, and voice and diction. During the third trimester, classes will focus on musical theatre as we prepare for our annual classroom shows!

Just a reminder, **for the Christmas Show and Classroom Musical Shows, you will be responsible for finding a costume for your student(s).** I send the information out one to two months early. Please don't wait until the last minute to find costumes. You are not required to go out and spend a ton of money on them. Costumes can be simple, but please make sure your child has a costume for the shows. It is part of their grade.

3rd-8th grade will be invited to audition for our after-school theatre program where we will prepare for our mainstage show (to be named soon). We are thrilled to continue to offer this unique theatre program that is not offered at any other Catholic Elementary School!

Music and Theatre Arts will begin Tuesday, August 27, 2024, and will conclude Thursday, June 5th. Below, you will find a link to a google form syllabus acknowledgement. Please review the <u>syllabus</u> with your student(s) and submit the form through this <u>link</u>. Families with multiple children, please submit the form **once** and make sure to list all students at St. Anthony of Padua.

Below you will find a music supply list for grades 3-8. Those in K-2 do not need to bring any supplies to music. There is also a general supply list below. When donating an item, you can drop the supplies in the office with a bag labeled Music Room 5.

General Donation Supply List

- 1 container of disinfectant wipes
- Tissue box
- White copy paper (8.5x11)
- Colored copy paper (8.5x11 or 11x14, good colors to buy: Red, Blue, Green, Pastels)
- Duracell Double A (AA) Batteries (for microphones and candles)
- Clip boards (the brown ones, with a silver clip for students to write on)

Grades K-2:

- None

Grades 3-8 (This doesn't need to be dropped off, but students should have this for Music class)

- Personal ipad or computer device



- Personal writing utensil
- Notepaper/Notebook to take notes

The lab fee associated with this class is \$15, which is included in your tuition contract. Such fees include instruments, music express magazine (curriculum for K-8), licensing and rights for the classroom shows.

If you would like to volunteer to help with certain music and theatre events, I would really appreciate the help. There is a Musical Theatre Committee to help with sets and props for our shows. If you are interested in participating during our shows, please be sure to mark "yes" on the online form. This will count toward your volunteer hours.

To review, please fill out the form <u>here</u> and submit by **Friday, September 6, 2024**. (Please turn one in per family and list all students attending St. Anthony of Padua)

- Parent/Student Rules Acknowledgment Form
- 24-25 Music Syllabus

Please Note: Your student receives a grade to ensure they have their online acknowledgement form turned in!

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the following show dates this year:

Christmas Program:	Dress Rehearsal	Friday, December 13, 2024 (During Class Time)
	Performance	Friday, December 13, 2024 6pm
Talent Show:	Performance	Thursday, October 17, 2024 (Optional) 1pm (During School)
Spring Classroom Shows:	K, 2, 4 Performance 1, 3, 5 Performance	Wednesday, May 28, 2025 8:30am Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 8:30am
Spring Musical:	Must audition, after school program, grades 3-8	
	Aladdin Jr.	Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 6pm Friday, May 30, 2025 at 7pm Saturday, May 31, 2025 at 1pm Saturday, May 31, 2025 at 7pm

Thank you very much for everything and I am looking forward to a great year!

God Bless you!

Mrs. Garcia

