



Wednesday, September 4, 2024
6:30-8pm

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
2024-2025

Family Prayer to begin the New School Year



"God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body, and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give them the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."



Welcome and Invocation



Msgr. Sal Pilato, Pastor

St. Anthony of Padua Church

MISSION STATEMENT

SAP SCHOOL



St. Anthony of Padua School, a ministry of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, is a K-8 Catholic elementary school that strives to meet the religious, moral, intellectual, social-emotional, cultural, and physical needs of its 21st century learners.

We prepare them for high school, college, and heaven. Looking to the Eucharistic Jesus as our Lord, Brother, and role model, the school is committed to the transmission of the teachings and values of the Catholic Church and Christian culture to all students.



WELCOME TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR!

THIS SLIDE SHOW WILL BE POSTED ON the School Website for your reference

Attendance will be taken for this General Parent meeting with the slips received at the entrance and will be given to teachers in their classrooms (for full credit). Parents must attend session in the Hall from 6:30-7:10

First session starts at approximately 7:20pm.

Each teacher will have two 15-minute presentations (identical). We aim to finish by 8pm.

After the General Session in the Hall, **Kinder-5th grade please meet your child's **teacher in their classrooms.****

Junior High parents Grades 6-8 please remain in the Hall and move up to the front seats

Invocation by Msgr. Sal Pilato, Pastor

Welcome everyone!

Especially Kinder and NEW FAMILIES!

Partners in Education:

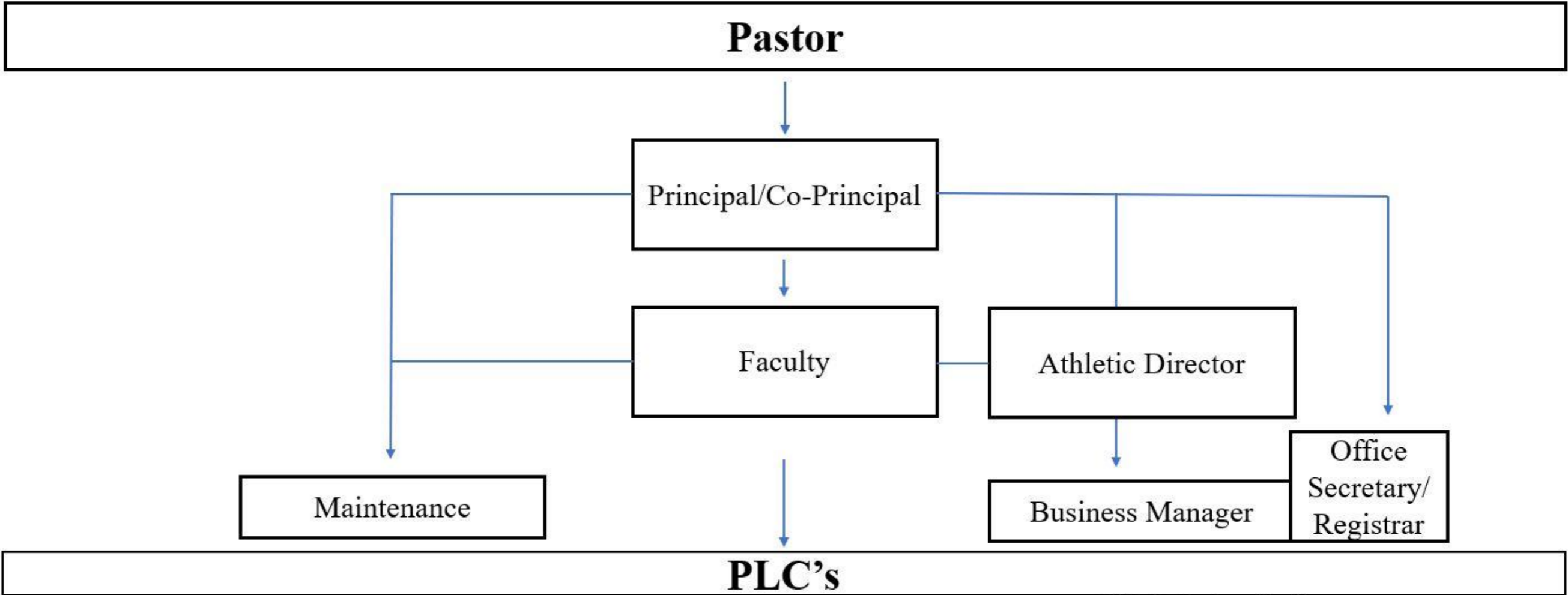
you are your child's first teachers

**Chain of Command: Teacher, Administration,
Pastor, Asst. Regional Superintendents**

**Why a Catholic Education? Preparing kids for HS,
College, Career, and Heaven**

**F.A.S.T./SLEs/Paduan Pledge interchangeable terms:
Profile of a St. Anthony graduate**

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA Organizational Chart



- 1. Interior Maintenance
- 2. CSW Open House
- 3. Daycare **
- 4. Performing Arts **
- 5. Community Service Opportunities and Partnerships
- 6. Dance Committee **
- 5. Development/Enrollment, and Management Team
- 6. Fiesta Clean-Up
- 7. Fundraising Management
- 8. Hospitality
- 9. Library **
- 10. Marketing

- 11. Fundraising Annual Social
- 12. Publicity/Photography **
- 13. Room Parents **
- 14. Safety and Security
- 15. Safe Guard the Children Parent Liaison **
- 16. Sports **
- 17. Faculty Life
- 18. Meet the Masters **
- 19. Bake Sales
- 20. Raffle
- 21. Gently Used Uniform Sale
- 22. Traffic Duty **
- 23. Yard Duty **

** PLC's will require Virtus and Fingerprinting

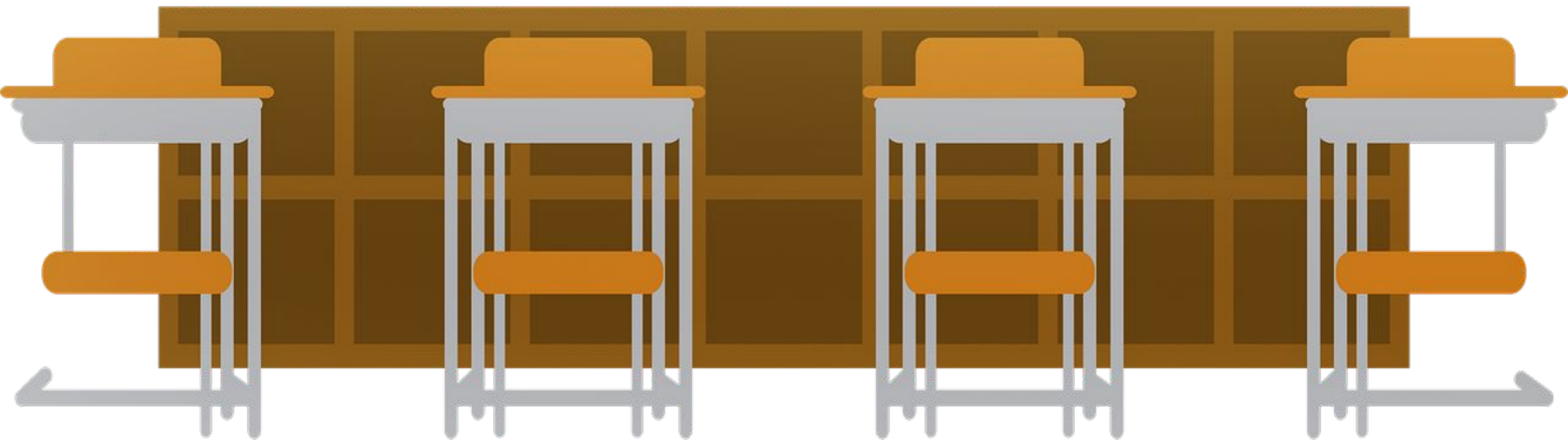
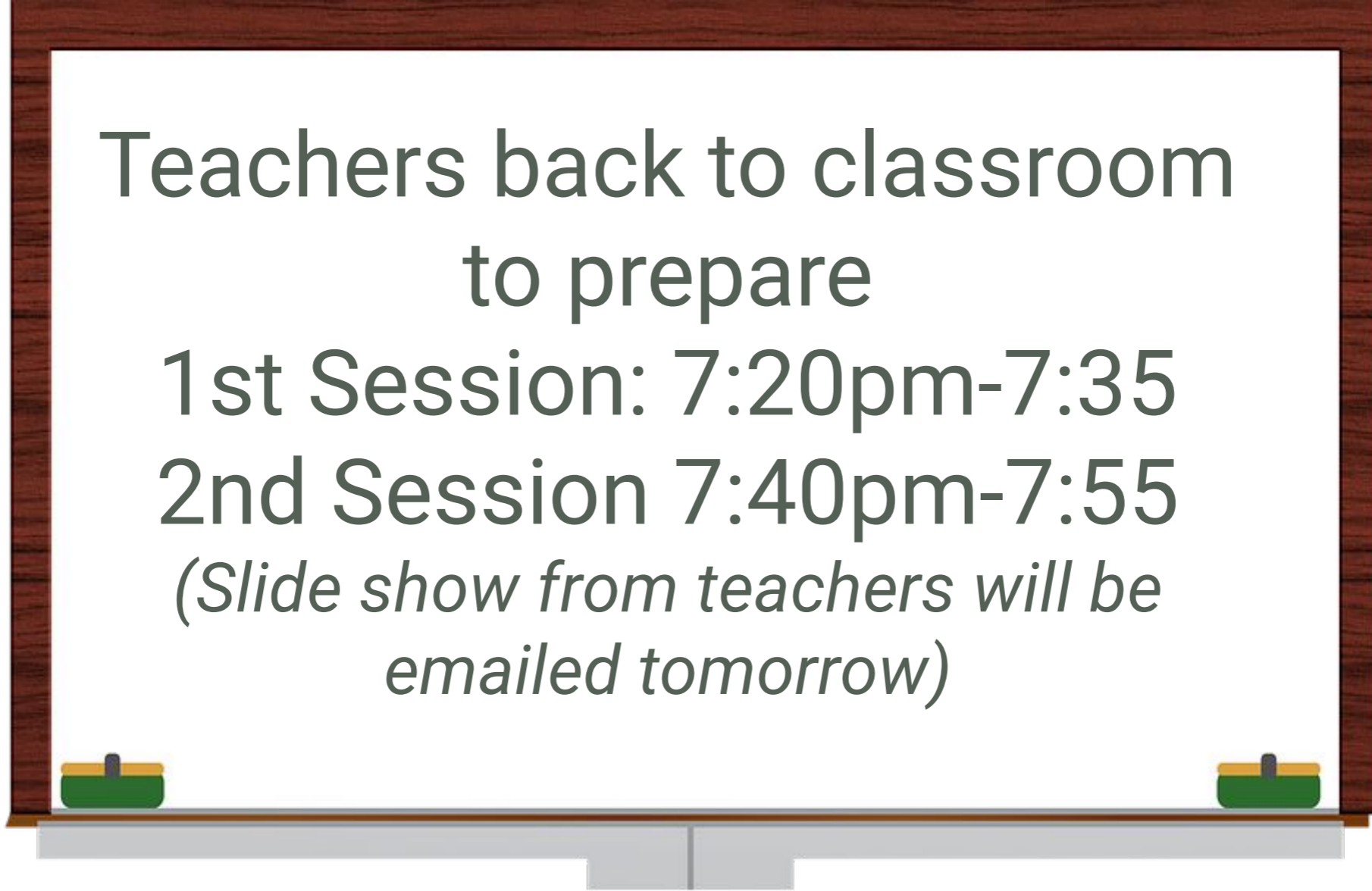
Students

Teachers back to classroom
to prepare

1st Session: 7:20pm-7:35

2nd Session 7:40pm-7:55

*(Slide show from teachers will be
emailed tomorrow)*





SAP

Parent Student Handbook

Here is our current online link:

<http://handbook.la-archdiocese.org/schools/0882>



FALL CANDY FUNDRAISER:

PLC Chair: Gabriela Vasquez

Those who picked up Chocolates in the Hall on September 3 (and before 4pm today Sept 4) earned 1 Raffle Ticket for today to qualify for tonight's \$100 Gas Card drawing. No more tickets given after 4pm today.

If you have not picked up your candy, please stop in the school office to pick up by tomorrow September 5 or on Friday, September 6 or be invoiced. Monies due by Monday, 9/9 for Early Birds to qualify for first Trojan Drawing on Thursday, 9/12 at 1pm

Fundraising Reminders

Fundraising PLC Lead

Gabriela Vasquez



- Please pick up your chocolates by the end of this week to guarantee freshness and to get a good start to your candy sales. **All boxes still sitting in the school office by end of business on Friday 9/6 (tomorrow) may be invoiced early.**
- Look out for the Candy Letter that went out with deadlines and details. Each candy bar is \$1.00
- Trojan Drawings for those selling 5 boxes and up. This info was emailed)
 - **1st Drawing on Thursday, 9/12/24 at 1pm**
 - Money for Drawing #1 due Monday 9/9 - 3pm to qualify for prizes
 - **2nd Drawing on Thursday, 9/26/24 at 1pm**
 - Money for Drawing #2 due Friday 9/20/24 - 3pm to qualify for prizes
 - **FINAL PAYMENTS DUE FRIDAY 10/25/24 to avoid any late fees.**
- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place sellers will earn gift cards valuing \$150, \$100, \$75

60 bars in one Mixed box:



12 Almond,
12 Crisp,
12 Caramel,
12 Wafer,
6 Dark Chocolate, and
6 Milk Chocolate



News & Updates

-Virtus Certification and ADLA Fingerprinting: must be current for any volunteering where there is contact with students (See website under Parents tab: Safeguard the Children with FAQs)

<http://www.stanthonygardena.org/safeguard-the-children/>

**-Room Parent meeting: Lorena Lakey Room Parent Lead,
Zoom meeting September 12 at 7pm for all Room Parents.**

All classes need room parents: at least 1 and no more than 4 per class
(start planning for upcoming Trunk or Treat and Class Bake sales)

- Parent Mandatory Faith Formation Meeting: October 2 (choose 3 out of 4 options) SAVE THE DATE! (Theology of the Body)

-Parent Conferences: October 7-11 (Sign up Genius with teachers tonight in classroom).

-SAP Student TALENT SHOW October 17 information from Mrs. Garcia has been sent through Gradelink

-COLLEGE FAIR: October 24 in Hall, Presented by the Jr High students **K-8 gallery walk**

-Blue Mass November 8 First responders invited - families please watch for the email through Gradelink.

Keys Studios for Formal School Pictures



Save the Date THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

**FORMAL SCHOOL PICTURES students wear their COMPLETE
FORMAL MASS UNIFORMS:**

Girls: Jumper OR Skirt with White Blouse, Girls Tie and Cardigan

Boys: Slacks with White Button Down Shirt, Tie and Vest

(no shorts, sweatshirts, PE shirts or windbreakers)

**For complete information please refer to your emails on how to purchase
your photo package online [Keysstudios.com](https://keysstudios.com)**

SAP school access code for ordering: **2425**

Vicki Marsha Uniform here 9/4/24 in Rm 5!
<https://vickimarsha.com/st-anthony-of-padua-school.html>

Located in Huntington Beach

Buy Vicki Marsha Scrip in the office before you buy

VMU was on campus today from 4-6:30pm in Rm 5

Formal Mass Uniform: *worn to ALL school Mass and for Yearbook photo*

Jumpers and Skirts, Navy Slacks, White shirts, ties, vests, cardigans

Regular Uniform:

Navy Shorts, Skort, Grey/Light Blue Polos, Sweatshirts, Sweatpants



SCHOOL Daily UNIFORMS

Regular SAP Dress Code Examples



Navy Shorts, Slacks, Skort

SHOES: Solid black, gray, navy blue or white

no designs or big logos as part of the uniform.

SOCKS: Solid white, navy or black.

No dangling earrings, nail polish extreme hairstyles, make up

Vicki Marsha Uniform Company SAP accessories

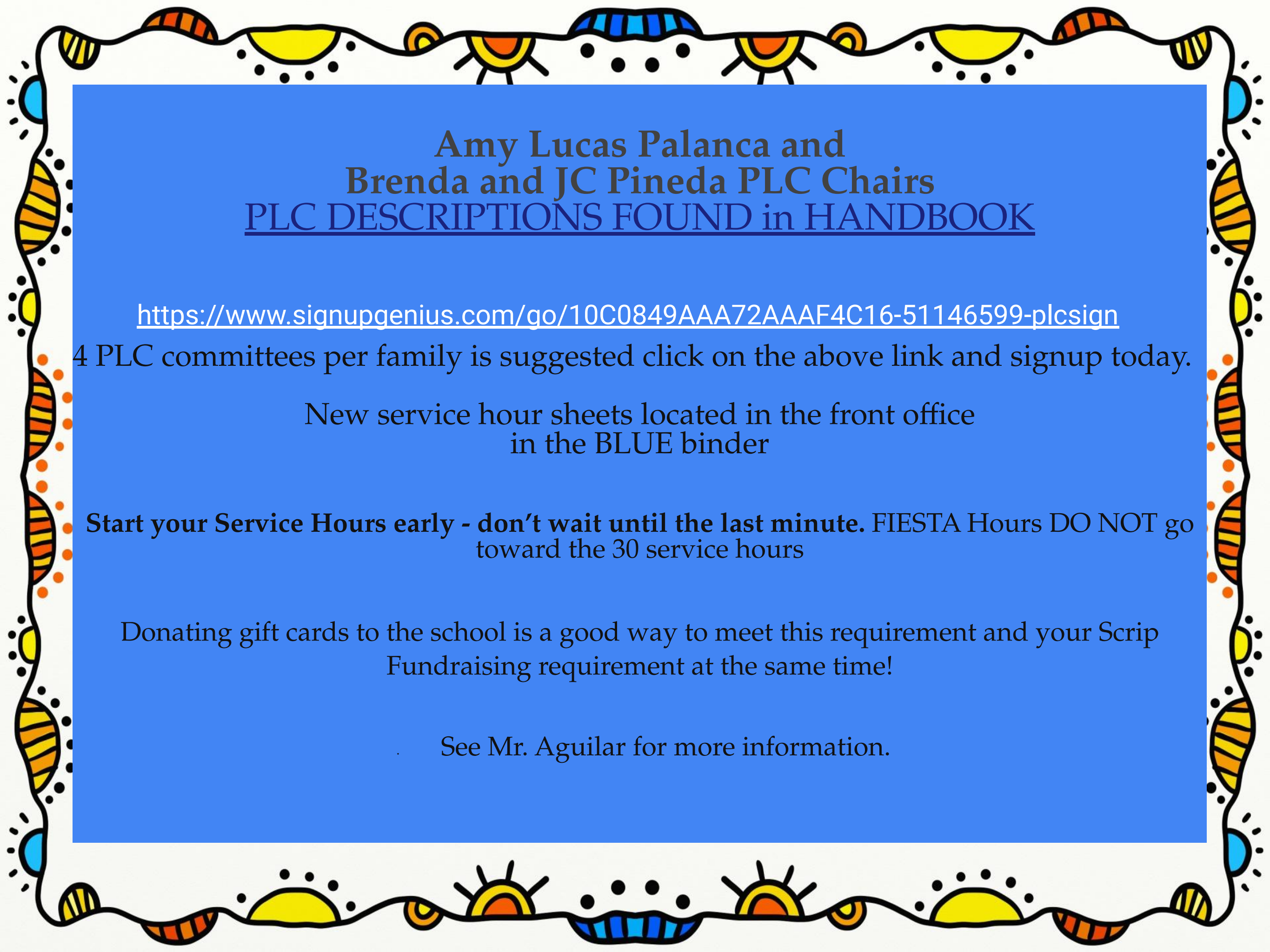
St. Anthony of Padua Formal Mass Attire

Girls: K-4 Jumper, White round collar button down shirt, Crossover Tie, Cardigan

Girls: 5-8 Plaid Skirt, White Oxford button down, Prep Tie, Cardigan

Boys: K-8 White Oxford Button-down Shirt, Blue SAP tie, Navy Vest with logo, Navy slacks, belt





Amy Lucas Palanca and
Brenda and JC Pineda PLC Chairs
PLC DESCRIPTIONS FOUND in HANDBOOK

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0849AAA72AAAF4C16-51146599-plcsign>

4 PLC committees per family is suggested click on the above link and signup today.

New service hour sheets located in the front office
in the BLUE binder

Start your Service Hours early - don't wait until the last minute. FIESTA Hours DO NOT go toward the 30 service hours

Donating gift cards to the school is a good way to meet this requirement and your Scrip Fundraising requirement at the same time!

See Mr. Aguilar for more information.

Parent Leadership Committee (PLCs)

Each Family is asked to select up to 4 PLC committees of interest.

These are in place to provide opportunities for our families to fulfill their **MANDATORY 30 service hours** (10 hours must be completed each trimester.)

***Family service hours are separate from the 8 Fiesta Service Hours*

Any questions or concerns please email Amy Lucas Palanca at: alucaspalanca.sap@gmail.com

Virtus Certification and ADLA fingerprinting need to be on file with the school office.

Morning Drop off (AM DUTY) 7:30am -7:50am

Afternoon Pick up (PM DUTY) M, T, Th, Fr. 2:55 pm-3:15 pm Wednesday 1:25-1:45 pm

LUNCH/YARD DUTY RECESS - 11:50 am-1pm Monday - Friday

CYO Sports BASKETBALL Boys and Girls Coaching (Coaching Card needed)

Fundraising Chairs

Meet the Masters Docents to present to all grade levels

Library

Room Parents

Hospitality

Catholic Schools Week/Open House

→ **Donate gift cards** to the office: \$17/hour for Office Depot, Home Depot, Sam's Club, Starbucks or Target

INTERIOR MAINTENANCE

meets monthly to assist Mr. Flores with cleaning the classrooms and around the campus - 1 - 2 times a month Saturday 12:30-3:30

If you would like to donate to the Interior Maintenance cleaning supplies, they need the following donations:
Disinfecting Wipes, Swiffer Sweeper Wet Pads, Disinfecting Spray, Disposable Gloves, Microfiber Cleaning Cloths, Glass cleaner, window squeegees, Toilet bowl cleaner, Home Depot Gift, Walmart and Target Gift Cards
provide your receipt to the office to receive 1 service hour for every \$17 spent (Donations can be brought to the school office)



**Please use the SIGN-UP Genius for the September dates only...
9/7/24, 9/28/24**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48ADA72BA0FDC25-50759453-sapinterior#/>

Here are the dates for October through May (subject to change) as it gets closer, a Signup Genius will be emailed. Stay tuned for updates via email.

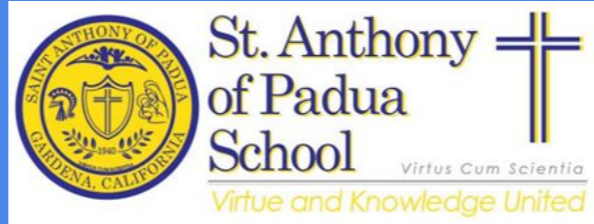
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2/22/25, 3/8/25, 3/22/25, 4/12/25, 5/3/25**

Interior Maintenance Sign up with Claudia Guzman and Veronica Ramos



ALL-STAR TEAM INTRODUCTIONS!

Teachers to be dismissed to their classrooms



2024-2025 St. Anthony of Padua Faculty and Staff

Pastor – Msgr. Sabato “Sal” Pilato

Principal – Mrs. Angela Grey

Kindergarten – Mrs. Marian Garrido

First Grade – Ms. Angeline Catbagan

Second Grade – Ms. Angelica Gomez

Third Grade – Mrs. Nicole Martinez-Do

Fourth Grade – Ms. Florence Ekindi

Fifth Grade – Ms. Patricia Alejandre

Sixth Grade – Ms. Marina Hernandez

Seventh Grade - Ms. Jessica Griggs

Eighth Grade – Ms. Genesis Garcia

Music/Theater – Mrs. Jessica Garcia

PE – Mrs. Monica Rubalcava

Business Manager – Mr. Carlos Aguilar

Office Secretary - Mrs. Sarah Ray

Custodian – Mr. Pablo Flores

Classroom Teacher Aides – Kinder - Maria Rendon

1st grade and swing aide- Gabriela Mazariegos

2nd grade and swing aide - Madeline Rodriguez

Daycare Coordinator - Mrs. Pattie Padilla

Daycare Aide - Raquel Arreola

Maria Rendon

Madeline Rodriguez



FreckleTM
by Renaissance[®]

- **STAR Renaissance Early Literacy, Reading and Math Diagnostic Testing: new, upgraded website** (3 windows a year, will go home at each reporting period, once a trimester) first one to go home via email at Parent conference in October: See STAR Renaissance Home Connect Letter from teacher (new website)
- **Freckle Math and ST Math offered as part of Math Curriculum, AR is part of ELA curriculum)**
- Character traits and Tribes agreements posted on banners on 2nd floor, Rick Morris Sign Language used at home and at school (see website under Character Education tab)

Music and Theatre Arts

Mrs. Jessica Garcia

jgarcia@stanthonygardena.org



- Sign the [music class syllabus](#) if you have not already done so.
- Music classes on Tuesday and Thursday (1 hour a week)
- **Student Talent Show: Thursday, October 17, 2024, 1-3pm**
- Christmas Show: Friday, December 13, 2024 at 6pm
- Spring Classroom Musicals: Weds. May 28, 2025 at 8:15am (K,2,4), Thursday, May 29, 2025 at 8:15am (1,3,5)
- Mainstage Musical: Aladdin Jr. (4 shows) Thurs. May 29th 6:30pm, Friday, May 30th at 7pm, and Saturday, May 31st at 1pm and 7pm! Please come out and support our students!

PE Class

Mrs. Monica Rubalcava

mrubalcava@stanthonygardena.org



- Sign and Upload the class syllabus on Seesaw or Google Classroom.
- Be On-Time, Come Dressed in PE uniform, including proper running shoes, Participate in class.
(Schedule on the PE Blog)
- Alternative Assignment - If you are physically unable to participate in class and have a signed excuse you will be given an alternative assignment for equal credit.
- Have fun and be Active!

Art Inspires:

Learning art history and techniques from master artists allows children to see what's possible from any type of person and from all over the world.

Every child can explore the possibilities of their own creativity without ever being wrong or incorrect. Young artists will be able to apply this inspiration to other areas of their lives and be better for it.



The Meet the Master Art Program provides the following to your children...

- CREATIVITY & IMAGINATION**
- SELF-EXPRESSION & CONFIDENCE**
- CRITICAL THINKING & PROBLEM SOLVING**
- FINE MOTOR SKILLS**
- PERSISTENCE & PATIENCE**
- CULTURAL AWARENESS**



2 VOLUNTEERS per class for Kinder-8th are needed so we can continue to offer this creative outlet to our students. Meet the Masters PLC Leads are Mrs. Laura Marquez and Mrs. Esperanza Jacobs



EXCITING NEWS!

We had extra EANS funding for our school and we were able to purchase a media lab worth \$100,000 which we will set up in Room 16.

Student Government and Yearbook students will be trained to use the equipment and teachers will have PDs to utilize the studio lab to create content for the school.

The equipment should be coming late September or early October.

Stay tuned!

ALVARADO CATERING

LUNCH VENDOR

**Elizabeth Alvarado is the owner of Alvarado Catering, our hot lunch vendor
Lunch Menus are emailed monthly for your convenience and in the office**

LUNCH TIME...
Kinder 1st 2nd 3rd
Noon-12:15
4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th
12:15-12:30

Lunch per child \$8.00 per day

Please ZELLE your payment for your child's lunch and include their name and grade in the memo Daily/Weekly/Monthly orders

We appreciate you letting your child and the office know you are paying for their lunch

Please notify Alvarado Catering if your child is absent or is going on a field trip or has lunch on campus with their class for a special event (parent's responsibility)

School Office does not issue IOUs

****If you bring your child a lunch, please place on the cart at 163rd St. gate and write their name and grade so we can make sure they get their lunch***

COUNSELING PARTNERS of LOS ANGELES (CPLA)

*Committed to healing hearts, nurturing hope,
and fostering bright futures for every student every day*

***Parents please note the 2024-2025 consent
forms are available in the school office.***

COUNSELING PARTNERS OF LOS ANGELES - CPLA

will be on our campus Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday



Ms. Noelle Liles will be returning this Fall 2024

I recently graduated from The University of Texas at Austin in 2023 with a degree in psychology and a minor in education! I am excited to say I am continuing my journey to becoming a therapist at Pepperdine University, where I am completing a master's degree in Marriage and Family Therapy.

I have taught art for about 6 years now, and after studying psychology, decided to combine my love of creativity and connecting with people into helping others through therapy!

I love to encourage people to think outside the box and come up with creative solutions and ways of thinking about their problems.

I hope to create a safe, fun, and inviting space for students to talk about anything on their mind they may be struggling with (while hopefully having a little fun in the process). I look forward to connecting with the students and staff at St. Anthony of Padua!

On campus Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30am-3pm
noelle.stanthonyofpadua@counselingpartnersofla.org

Ms. Stacy Strathern Park will be joining us this Fall 2024

A native Californian who grew up in the South Bay of Los Angeles. Initially receiving her BA in Musical Theatre from CSU Chico, she spent her early career teaching drama and music by day and performing in shows and concerts at night. She received her MA in Theatre Education from Emerson College and became a full-time drama and music teacher for seven years. Seeing the need for student support in mental health and going through the recovery process with her own mental health journey, Stacy decided to become a mental health professional. She is currently a graduate student at Chapman University in Orange California where she studies school and clinical psychology. She also volunteers with the National Alliance of Mental Illness (NAMI) as a Peer Support Leader and with Children's Hospital Orange County (CHOC) at the Thompson Autism Center in their Families, Agencies, and Students Together (FAST) program. She has received the Fariborz Maseeh Graduate Award in Autism and Developmental Disorders and would like to one day specialize in working with neurodivergent children and their mental health needs. She's thrilled to be placed at St. Anthony of Padua in Gardena as it's located in her old stomping grounds and is just around the corner from her favorite deli, Guiliano's!

She's excited to get to know the community and students and support them throughout the school year. She lives in San Pedro with her husband, corgi, and cat.

On campus Monday and Friday from 7:30am - 3pm
stacy.stanthonypadua@counselingpartnersofla.org



FINANCIAL PICTURE OF SAP

Mr. Carlos Aguilar

We currently have a balanced budget and are operating in the black.

Thank you for continuing to support our school!





Carline Safety Reminders

Thank you for driving safely no more than 5 MPH on campus. Safety always comes first!

- **NO Parking at all times in the RED ZONES** or in the alley on 163rd Street
- Please don't park in the St. Anthony Preschool **LOADING ONLY** zone
- Please **ALWAYS** yield to pedestrians and our crossing guard volunteers. Be respectful!
- Pedestrians must use **designated crosswalks**. Don't take shortcuts and walk through the carline traffic.
- Parents, please don't exit your vehicle during carline. Students must always enter & exit from the right side of the vehicle. If they need to go around the other side, let your teacher know so they can assist.
- All vehicles must exit to 161st Street during carline. Never go against the flow of traffic.
- Please take the time to discuss the carline and safety procedures with your children and others who will be picking up your child/children.

Officer Carlos Gutierrez is our School Resource Officer, they may issue tickets, so please drive carefully!

Special thanks to Froilan Alvarez, Sandra & Josue Tellechea, Jane Akowuah, Oscar Lugo, Pernil Marthaler, and all our Traffic and Safety PLC Volunteers!

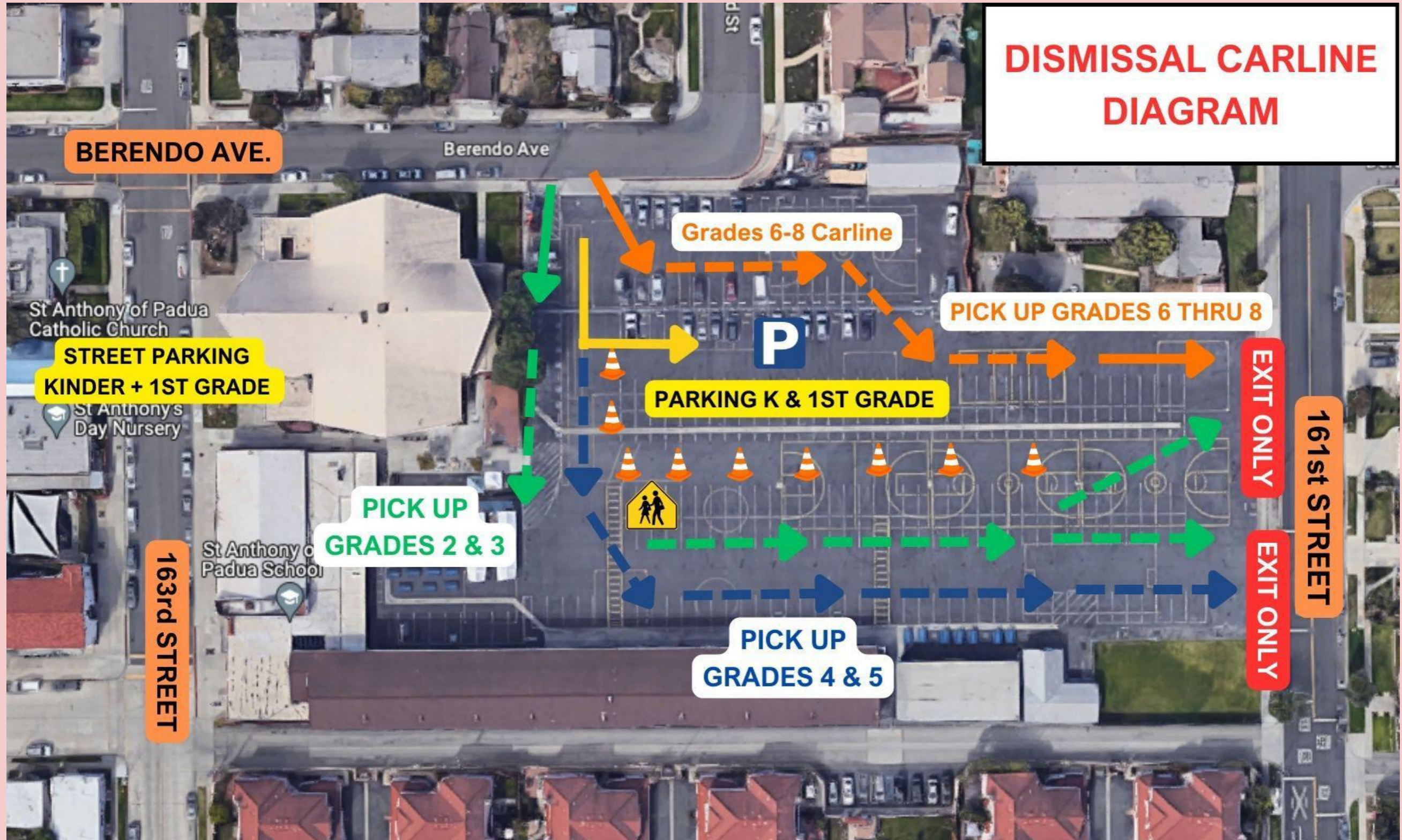
- We need more **crossing guard volunteers**. Earn service hours easily!
To sign up, please e-mail Jeah at jeahtanavila@gmail.com or visit the school office

CAR LINE DROP OFF MAP

AM DROP-OFF CARLINE DIAGRAM



CAR LINE DISMISSAL MAP





Additional Safety Reminders

Thank you for maintaining a safe environment for everyone.

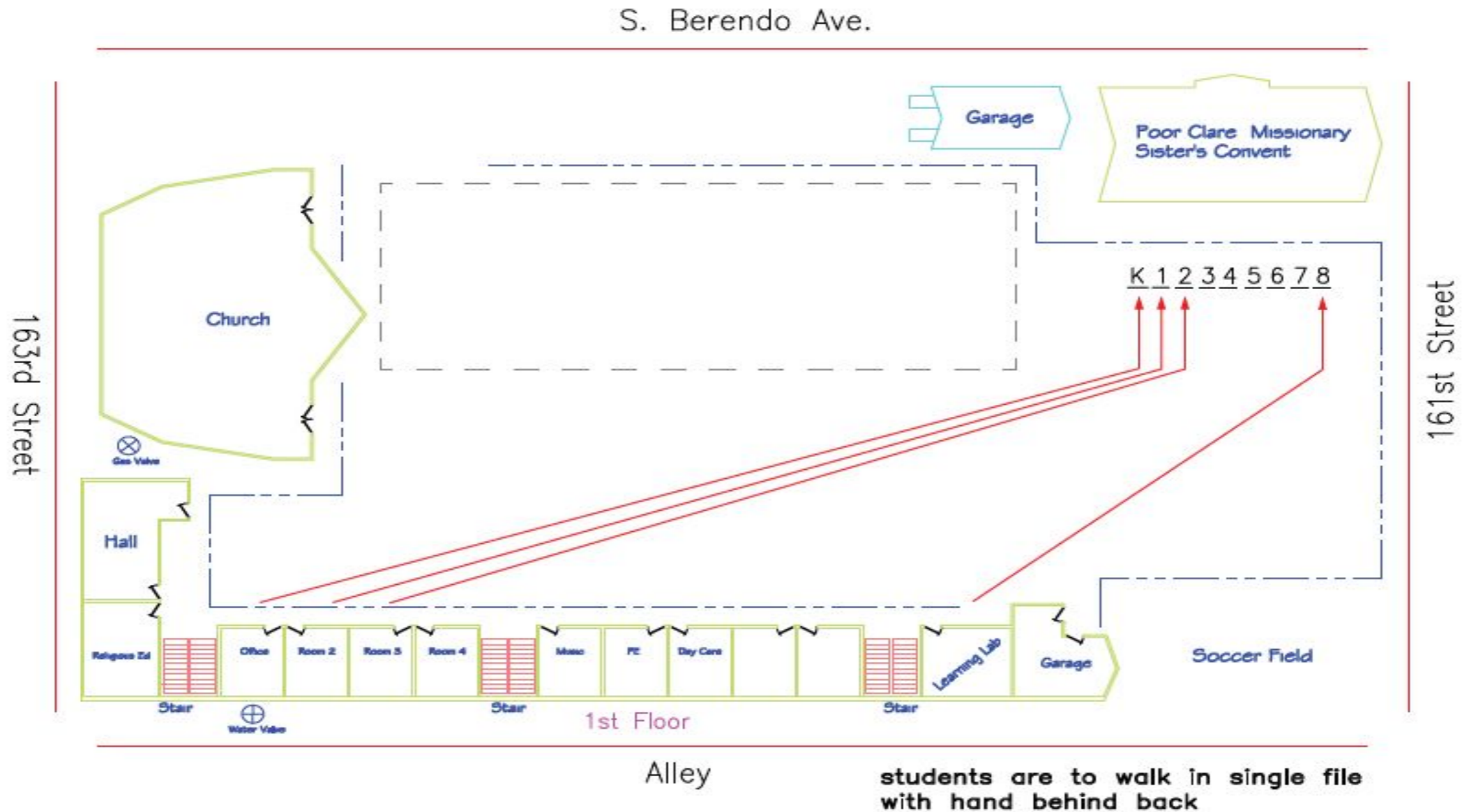
Safety First, please be aware of your surroundings when entering and exiting the school.

- **DO NOT** leave doors/gates propped open when entering/exiting
- **DO NOT** let someone onto campus without office staff permission

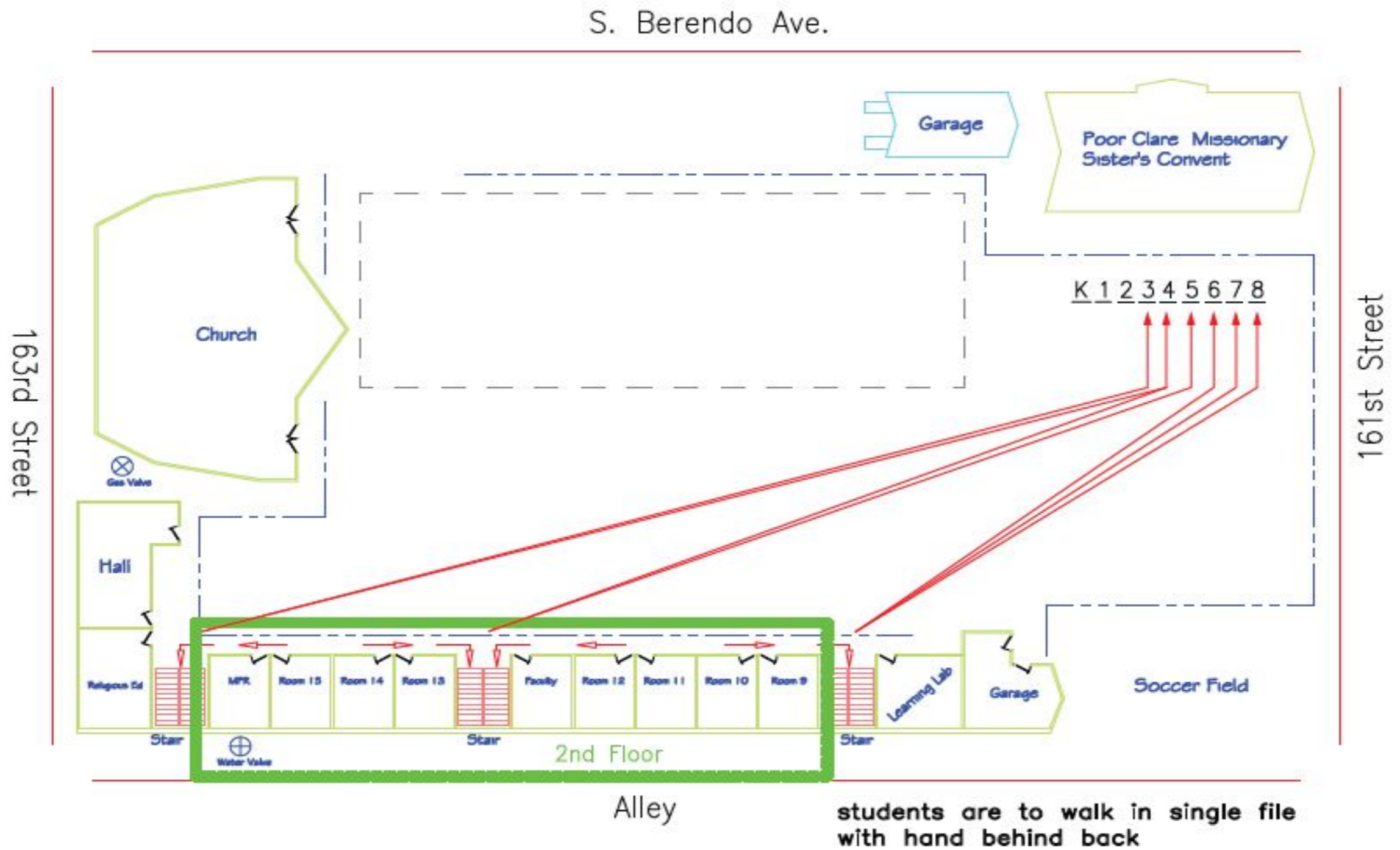
Please be welcoming while also being aware. When in doubt, Ask.

REMINDER: If you **SEE** something peculiar or suspicious,
SAY something

1st Floor Evacuation Plan



2nd Floor Evacuation Plan



Emergency Cards and other forms



Emergency Cards were sent home the first week of school for re-enrollments and for new enrollments it was completed along with the enrollment.

Gradelink is our Student Info System



When your contact information, address, phone numbers, etc. change, please contact the school office via email with the new changes.

Please email: sray1@stanthonygardena.org
or caguilar@stanthonygardena.org

CIPA Compliance

1. Both staff and all parent general meetings scheduled
2. Review and update the school's current Internet Use Policy
3. Review or create a monitoring routine plan with staff responsibilities and consequences
4. Adopt a Digital Citizenship program for immediate use with students
5. Check for the school's current firewall subscription
6. Collect the documents mentioned above and them merge into one PDF by December 2, 2024.

The background of the entire page is a dense, colorful pattern of stylized hands and arms reaching upwards. The hands are in various colors including blue, green, orange, purple, and teal, set against a light grey background. Some hands are pointing up, some are open, and some are in different poses, creating a sense of movement and diversity.

After School Activities

can only be offered if there are students enrolled for these activities. Please check your emails for additional information especially re: drop off and pick up at the gate on 163rd St.

Folklorico starts 9/6

Professor Egghead (STEM) Wed 1:45

Sports: vball and soccer so far

Theater: starts in January (auditions)

Saint Anthony de Padua Folklorico Team



Open Enrollment for Folklorico!

Join our fun dance team of Mexican Folklore. Students will learn the art of the culture through dance skills and technique. Represent your school by joining this team.

Dates: Fridays
Beginners: K-2nd 3:15pm-4:15pm
Intermediate: 2nd-8th 4:15-5:15pm

Price: Monthly payment of **\$50** per student. (Sibling discount available).

Sign up instructions: Email marthasfolklorico@gmail.com with the following information:

- Student's name
- Grade level
- Parent name
- Phone number
- Class level interested



PROFESSOR EGGHEAD SCIENCE ACADEMY™

After School STEM course Kinder-4th grade boys and girls

Fall Session began Wednesday August 28, 2024 * 1:45-2:45

Egghead Astronauts will meet in the Science Lab for
12 weeks

If you are interested in registering your child there are still a
few openings (818) 856-3996 or
LOASANGELS@PROFESSOREGGHEAD.com

From Professor Egghead Science Academy of Los Angeles

"Ignite your child's curiosity and foster a lifelong love of science with Professor Egghead Science Academy, a premier provider of enriching STEM education in Los Angeles. Since 2016, we have been nurturing young minds through engaging after-school classes, captivating summer camps, and unforgettable science-themed parties. Our hands-on, inquiry-based approach sparks imaginations and inspires a deep understanding of scientific concepts, all while fostering a sense of wonder and excitement."



Daycare Updates

Mrs. Pattie Padilla is our Daycare Director

Raquel Arreola Daycare Aide

After School Daycare M, T, Th, F 3pm-6pm SHARP

Wednesdays 1:30pm-6pm SHARP

\$20/day per child - Please be on time to pick up your child or you will be charged \$1/min after the grace period. Please be courteous. Your child should never be unsupervised or left unattended. Once you check them out you are responsible for your child.



If you need to speak with Mrs. Padilla please do so after 3:45pm OR email pattie.padilla@stanthonygardena.org



CYO Sports for 2024-2025

Mrs. Veronica Patel, AD

vpatel@stanthonygardena.org

Team Sports with CYO (Catholic Youth Organization)

Girls Volleyball A and B Teams

Coached by Mr. Anthony Layug, *NEED Assistant Coach*

Boys and Girls Soccer Teams

Coaches Mr. Jaime Cruz and Ms. Claudia Guzman

➔ Boys and Girls Basketball Teams **Need coaches**



If you are interested in Coaching a CYO Sport, *you will need to be VIRTUS certified AND ADLA fingerprinted. ALSO CYO holds Coaches clinics and coaches need to have a current Coaches' Card. Contact AD for more info*



Eucharistic Renewal Year 3: Weekly Sunday 11am Family Mass

September 15, 2024 Catechetical Sunday
11am Mass
Bake Sale Hosts: 7th and 1st grade

Church is a place of worship.
Monsignor has asked to have 1st and 2nd trimester awards in the Hall this year (2 sessions, see calendar), 3rd Trimester awards in Church.



1st Session: 7:20-7:35
2nd Session 7:40pm-7:55pm
ends at 8pm sharp

Meet your child's Homeroom teacher in
their classroom.

Jr. High (Grades 6-8) meets in Hall
(one session only at 7:20pm)

Good Night! Thank you for choosing SAP School!



