Welcome Back!



It's only the start of August... but September 5th is just around the corner!

The 2019-20 school year will begin on Thursday, September 5th! We are so excited that your family will be joining us for our 72nd year as a school! This is a monumental milestone in our ministry! We are already praying for your family and that God would be the focus and glorified in all that we do.

As we start our 72nd year, it is important that our Mission and Vision statement is at the heart of our school.

Bethany School's MISSION Statement

Bethany School is a diverse Christ-centered community, where students (and families) will...

- Connect in relationship with God, the church, and others
- **Grow spiritually,** understanding God's Word, and **Grow academically,** understanding their part in the world He created
- Go from here spiritually and academically transformed, ready to impact the world for Him

Bethany School's VISION Statement

We desire to glorify God and see students transformed into well-educated disciples of Jesus, who BELIEVE, ACHIEVE and SUCCEED.

We are so thankful to partner with you as our students are transformed both academically and spiritually. Each year we pray about our spiritual and academic focus and the changes that will bring the most growth for our students and our school. We are excited to share the positive changes in our programs, staffing, and on our campus.

- ★ Our grading program is My School Worx. This gives you access to grades, communication with teachers, enables you to see your bill and pay tuition online and most importantly is the parent portal in which we will communicate important and even urgent messages. Please make sure that your information is updated on the My School Worx online and download the mobile app.
- ★ We continue to have the most talented and dedicated staff that partner with you to provide the best education for your child(ren).
- ★ Professional Learning Communities are an important component of a school's commitment for continuous growth and provide the opportunity for our teachers to collaborate together as we focus on each student's academic potential. To that end, each Thursday we will be releasing students at 2PM to allow our teachers to collaborate and plan together. Students will be able to stay and play or work on homework in a designated homework area during the 2-3PM hour. Daycare will not start charging until 3:30PM for K-8th grades. Gate pick-up will be available at 2PM and we ask that you do not come to the office for student pickup.
- ★ Our ongoing commitment to helping families raise their children to BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, and SUCCEED in a small, nurturing environment where the love of God is shared daily and where students will be academically challenged and prepared for life.

As we prepare for an exciting 72nd school year, you can begin your part in that process:

- → FINALIZING THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS: We are asking all families to complete the enrollment process by August 15th. In this way, the teachers can prepare a welcome letter for each of their students. The following should be completed by August 15th:
 - Forms need to be completed -- Emergency Medical Release, Code of Conduct, Technology and Picture release forms filled out, signed and returned.
 - First month's tuition and fees paid before <u>NOON on Wednesday, August 15th</u>. Check My School Worx for your August tuition statement, which is due before August 15th. We thank you in advance for assuring your first tuition payment is on time.
 - A new copy of your child's latest immunization form must be turned in to the office. Please note that each Bethany student MUST submit a new copy of his/her latest immunization form.
- → If you do not finalize your enrollment by August 15th, complete the following online forms Emergency Medical release, Code of Conduct signature form, Technology form, Electronic picture release and bring these forms to the school office prior to the first day of school or to our table in the front of the chapel.
- → Other important information is now available on our website, www.bethany-school.org on the far-right link entitled "Parent Info", where you will find a page "2019-20 School Year". Here you will find supply lists, uniform company information, ChoiceLunch enrollment, link to our grading portal, calendar of events, and other important information. This page will continue to be an important resource for parents throughout the year, so be sure to bookmark it and return often!
- → Watch for "Welcome Letters" from your teachers via email after August 20th.

On behalf of all of the Bethany staff, I want you to know we are praying for you and look forward to seeing you on the first day of school, **Thursday, September 5th at 8:25 am in the Sanctuary, in school uniform**. Please note that on the first day of school, **there will not be morning daycare** and school will be dismissed at 2:00 PM, with K-8 daycare available until 6 PM. Also, if you would like your child to have a hot lunch that day, please order at least 28 hours in advance at **www.choicelunch.com**.

We look forward to serving Jesus with you this year as we work together to "train up a child in the way he should go" (Proverbs 22:6). Have a great rest of the summer!

God Bless You,

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Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom and with GRATITUDE in your hearts singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. Colossians 3:16