



SAINT MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

A Guiding Light in Sheepshead Bay

September 20, 2023

Dear Families:

If any of you are New York Jets fans, you may want to stop reading. My dad grew up in the shadow of Shea Stadium, so my brother and I were raised fans of the Mets and Jets. (Your condolences are appreciated!) I prefer baseball over football, but with all the hype surrounding the Jets this season, I threw on the game last Monday. That was a mistake. The Jets star quarterback, Aaron Rodgers, ruptured his Achilles tendon four plays into the game and is now out for the season. Needless to say, my dad—along with countless other Jets fans—had his hopes dashed before the first quarter of the first game even ended. The Jets won that game and lost this week, so their record is 1-1, but who knows how things will play out over the next four months of the season?

Football season and the start of the school year usually coincide with each other. Like many Jets fans, Saint Mark students and their families should have high hopes at the start of this school year with expectations and aspirations to achieve great things.

Now, no one has gone to the nurse with a ruptured Achilles, but like the Jets, we are all going to have some setbacks now and then. It's a part of life. That doesn't mean we should abandon our goals or give up. There's still a whole season left for the Jets, and there's still an entire school year ahead for our students.

Setbacks will happen—we may stumble like Aaron Rodgers—but that doesn't mean all hope is lost. The Jets—lead by back-up quarterback Zach Wilson—still have a whole team that's there to support each other, and our students—with Mr. Wilson at the helm—have a school team that's ready and willing to help them, too!

So, here's to a great season for the Jets and a great school year for our students. I have every confidence it will be a good one for our students...for the Jets...that's another story!

Sincerely,

Mr. Mark Wilson

Principal

Continuing the tradition of faith, service, and education.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT

FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS

I acknowledge that I have received and read the Parent-Student Handbook and all subsequent forms (“Handbook”).

I have read and understood the contents of this Handbook, and will act in accord with these policies and procedures. I have explained the contents of this Handbook to my child. I agree that I am responsible for my child’s adherence to the policies in this Handbook.

I understand that this Handbook supersedes any other previously issued handbook and personnel manual and that all previous versions are hereby revoked.

I understand that the Academy reserves the right to add, amend, modify, or discontinue any of the policies and procedures as set forth in the Handbook at any time, with or without notice.

Policies relating to the COVID-19 virus, where applicable, may be provided as part of a supplement to this Handbook.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of Child(ren) and Grades: _____

FOR STUDENTS GRADES 6-8

I have read the Parent-Student Handbook, have discussed its contents with my parent/guardian, and agree to abide by all its terms.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

All students

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Parent/Guardian

As the parent/guardian of a student at the Academy, I have read the Acceptable Use policy and agree to abide by its terms, and to ensure my child abides by its terms. I understand that computer and internet access at the Academy is designed for educational purposes. I am aware that it is impossible for the school to restrict access to all controversial materials and I will not hold the Academy responsible for materials acquired in use. Further, I accept full responsibility for supervision if and when my child's use of school's technology resources is not in a school setting. I hereby give permission for my child to use the school's technology resources and certify that I have reviewed this information with my child.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of Student: _____

Grade: _____

Name of Student: _____

Grade: _____

For Students Grades 6-8

I have read the Acceptable Use Policy in this Handbook.

Student Name: _____ Student Signature: _____

Student's Grade: _____ Date: _____

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Student's Grade: _____ Date: _____

MEDIA AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I hereby consent to the taking of photographs, movies, videos, and images capable of reproduction in any medium of me or my children or children of whom I am the designated guardian by the Academy, Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, and/or Department of Education and their parents, affiliates, trustees, directors, members, officers, employees, volunteers, agents and contractors (the "Parties").

I hereby grant the Parties the right to edit, reproduce, use and reuse images for any and all purposes including, but not limited to, advertising, promotion and display, and I hereby consent to the editing, reproduction, use and re-use of said images in any and all media in existence and all media yet in existence including, but not limited to, video, print, television, internet, and podcasts.

I forever grant, assign, and transfer to the Parties any right, title and interest that I and/or my child/children may have in any images, including negatives, taken of me and/or my children by the Parties. I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Parties from any and all claims, demands, actions or causes of actions, loss, liability, damage, or cost arising from this authorization.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name and Grade of Child: _____

If you are choosing to opt out of this policy, the Academy MUST receive the signed acknowledgement below and return it to the Principal by the first day of school:

I have read the Media Authorization and Release Policy and am choosing to opt out.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name and Grade of Child: _____

All students

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION

If a parent/ guardian chooses to sign any form electronically, the following MUST be submitted beforehand to the Academy with an original, and not electronic, signature.

I authorize the Academy to accept my electronic signature.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Saint Mark Catholic Academy
Chromebook Policy

PLEASE RETURN THIS PAGE ONLY

I /We agree to the stipulations set forth in the above documents including the Chromebook Policy, Procedures, and Information; the Acceptable Use Policy; and the Student Pledge for Chromebook Use.

Please Print Clearly

Student's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Name (Please Print): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Introducing Saint Mark CYO Cheer!



Girls Grades 2 -8

Students in Saint Mark Catholic Academy and Saint Mark Parish are welcomed to join! We will be cheering for Saint Mark Basketball leagues.

Cost will be \$200 for the season, which includes uniform.

Practice will be Mondays, 5-6:15pm

If interested please return this form by Friday September 22nd 2023, to Miss Falco.

Child Name _____

Child Grade _____

Parents/ Guardian Contact information:

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Signature _____

Welcome Back Saint Mark Family

This Friday, September 22nd (5pm-9pm)

In the Saint Mark Catholic Academy Yard

Live DJ, BBQ Party & Movie Night

Free Admission

All Family and Friends are Welcome



If you have any further questions, please contact Michael Davis at (347) 574-1828

Youth Ministry Night

Saturday, January 23rd from 6pm-8pm
Please Enter thru School Yard

We will have Snacks



SAINT MARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY

VIOLIN PROGRAM

WHEN:

Wednesdays immediately after school, starting September 27

FOR:

Students in grades 2 through 8

INSTRUCTOR:

Mr. Quinn, SMCA's Music Teacher

COST:

\$500 (\$250 deposit; remaining \$250 due in December)

DURATION:

30 minutes

**WEEKLY CLASSES!
YEARLY CONCERT!
YEAR-END PIZZA PARTY!**

To register and make your deposit:

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/Ayx7ZxS5>



October 2023 Saint Mark Catholic Academy

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>End of September Reminders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> September 29: K-7 Individual Pictures September 30: Parish Oktober Fest 	<p>2</p> <p>3K, Pre-K, and Grade 8 Individual Pictures</p>  <p>PICTURES</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Class Pictures</p>  <p>PICTURES PARTY</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>4</p> <p>World's Finest Chocolate goes home.</p> 	<p>5</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Parish Pasta Night</p> <p>iReady Cycle 1 Ends</p> <p>Virtual Rosary Rally</p>	<p>7</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>SCHOOL CLOSED: Columbus Day</p> 	<p>10</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Pink Dress Down to Support Breast Cancer</p>  <p>susan g. komen.</p>	<p>14</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Progress Reports Distributed</p> <p>3K & PreK: Paper Copies K-8: via email</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Evening Progress Report Conferences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5pm to 7pm Zoom or Phone Call Only <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Early Dismissal Day for All Classes</p> <p>Afternoon Progress Report Conferences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:30pm to 3pm In-school only 	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>27</p> <p>SMCA Halloween Party</p>  <p>HALLOWEEN PARTY</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p>HAPPY HALLOWEEN!</p>  <p>Trunk-or-Treat Day! Pumpkin Patch Day!</p>	<p>1</p> <p>All Saints Day Mass 10AM</p>	<p>2</p> <p>TACHS Prep Class</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Parish Pasta Night</p>	<p>4</p> <p>TACHS Exam</p>
						<p>Good luck, Class of 2024!</p>  <p>TACHS+ Test for Admission into Catholic High School</p>

**Saint Mark & Saint Margaret Mary
Presents**



September 30th (6pm-9pm)

In the Saint Mark Catholic Academy Gymnasium

Come and Celebrate Lots of Food & Fun

The Costs will be:

\$25.00 for Adults / Beer will also be available for Purchase (Age 21+)

\$10.00 for Kids (Age 14 and under)

**If you have any further questions, and would like to RSVP please contact
the Parish Rectory at (718) 891-3100 or Michael Davis at (347) 574-1828**



St. Mark Catholic Academy
2602 East 19th STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11235

KARATE

Every Wednesday

(12 Total Sessions)

Beginning

September 27th to December 20th



SCAN ME TO REGISTER



SIGN-UP Fee is \$125 (Due Before First Class)

- You may Register Here: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/kyDxfxWX>
- Sensei Joe Franklin will be the instructor.
- All children must be picked up at 4 pm unless you are continuing with After school following the Karate session.

Contact Michael Davis at (347) 574-1828 if you have any questions.