



Assumption Catholic School nurtures, educates and empowers our diverse student community spiritually, intellectually, and social-emotionally with Catholic values and Ukrainian Tradition to know, to love, to serve God.



Assumption Catholic School New Parent Orientation August 31, 2022

Agenda

- + History of the School, Teachers and Staff
- Overview of a School Day
- + Extended Care: Before and After Care
- + ACS Half Days
- + Uniforms, Electronics
- + Faculty School Association (FSA): Plan One and Plan Two
- + Student Clubs and Organization
- + Communication
- COVID & Questions

Meet The Teachers

PK - Mrs. Florez

K - Mrs. Bielak

1 - Ms. Suarez

2 - Mrs. Kukuruza

3 - Miss Roque

4 - Miss Drayton

5 - Miss Shumny

6 - Mrs. Lombardi

7 - Mrs. Laffey

8 - Mrs. Pickering

7th grade Pre-Algebra and 8th grade Algebra - Mrs. Szeliga

Spanish and Ukrainian - Sr. Veronika and our new Sisters

Physical Education - Mrs. Tartza

Music and Art - Ms. Lawrence

Support Staff: Kelly Troche (PK/K Aide), Mrs. Lawrence (ESL/ISP support)

History of the School *1963* 59 years

In September of 1963, Ukrainian Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary School was officially opened. The operation of the school was entrusted to the Missionary Sisters of Mother of God.

The school opened with two teachers: Sr. Josepha Kruchinsky and Sr. Yosaphata Litvenczuk.
Sr. Josepha was principal and taught at the school until 1994.

Sr. Yosaphata became vice principal in 1985, taught until 2004, and served as assistant principal, school secretary and finance manager until 2018.

Under their leadership, the foundation for a quality Catholic education with a focus on the Ukrainian Rite, language, and culture, was established and continues to permeate the learning environment at our school. Members of this religious congregation, along with a dedicated lay faculty, staff the school.

The Day in the Life of an ACS Student

- + Drop off on Meredith Street between <u>8:00am to 8:15am</u>, 8:15 LATE Bell
- + Students start the day with prayers, announcements and morning meeting before class
- + Special Classes Monday: Music, Tuesday: Physical Education, Wednesday: Spanish Thursday: Art and Friday: Divine Liturgy/Ukrainian
- + Pre-K to 4 schedules vary Language: Ukrainian and 5 to 8 Language: Spanish
- + Snack & Lunch: Morning Snack Time (parent must provide snack), hot lunch is offered daily, menu is sent home at the beginning of the month.
- + Dismissal: Pre-K at 2:45pm (front door); K-4 -ACS playground at 2:55pm, 5—8 at 3pm (front door)

First Day of School

Grades 5th to 8th: Tuesday, September 6th, 12:30 dismissal

Grades PK to 4th: Wednesday, September 7th 12:30 dismissal

September 8th and 9th all grades, Full Day

Extended Care: Before and Aftercare

- + Before Care 7:00 am to 8:00 am
- + After Care 3:15 pm to 5:30 pm, 21CCLC grades 3-8
- + Cost \$4 per hour, billed monthly and paid to the school
- + All billing and FACTS questions will be directed to Mrs. Phyllis Kwiecinski

ACS Half Days

+ The first Wednesday of the month is generally a half day, EXCEPT February when it's the first Friday

 After care is available on half days - Lunch is NOT served, please send your child in with lunch

Uniforms - in Family Handbook

- + GIRLS UNIFORM K-4: 1.) plaid school jumper (knee length), 2.) white, short/long-sleeved rounded collar blouse; or a white, short/long-sleeved knit shirt with school name 3.) navy crew cut cardigan sweater with school name, 4.) navy/grey crew knee socks; or navy/grey leotards 5.) black shoes, low-cut style with a maximum heel height of one inch, with tie, Velcro or across-the-foot buckle closures
- + GIRLS UNIFORM 5-8: 1.) plaid kick-pleat skirt (knee length), 2.) white, short/long-sleeved oxford style blouse, or white short/long-sleeved polo with the school name, 3.) navy pullover V-neck sweater or vest with school name, 4.) navy or grey knee socks; or navy, or grey leotards 5.) black shoes, low-cut style with a maximum hee height of one inch, with tie: "VANS" style shoe acceptable
- + BOYS: KINDERGARTEN THRU GRADE 8: 1.) navy twill uniform pants worn with a black, brown or navy belt (K&1 no belt) 2.) white, short/long-sleeved knit shirt with school name, or a white, short/long-sleeved dress shirt worn with a navy tie, 3.) navy/white trim V-neck pullover sweater or vest with school name, 4.) navy/ black crew socks (mus fully cover the ankle) NO WHITE SOCKS, 5.) black shoes, low-cut style: with tie, Velcro or across-the-foot buckle closures

Uniforms - in Family Handbook pt 2

- PRE-K UNIFORM: 1.) blue t-shirt with school name, 2.) gray sweatshirt with school name, 3.) gray sweatpants with school name; or royal blue gym shorts with school name which may be only worn during September-October, April June 4.) fastened sneakers
- OPTIONAL SCHOOL UNIFORM: May be worn during September October, April June: 1.)
 navy walking shorts with a belt, 2.) white-knit short-sleeved shirt with school name, 3.)
 low-top sneakers, no high-tops . 4.) white socks that fully cover your ankle
- GYM DAY UNIFORM: 1.) blue t-shirt with school name, 2.) gray sweatshirt with school name, 3.) gray sweatpants with school name; or royal blue gym shorts with school name which may be only worn during September-October, April June 4.) fastened sneakers 5.) no wearing of jewelry (i.e., earrings, necklaces) is permitted on gym day for health and safety reasons.
- Dress Down Day \$3.00 and raffle

Electronics

Students are <u>not</u> allowed to bring electronics to school

<u>Cell Phones</u>: Only students who walk home, take the bus, or cab home may bring it to school. A parent must sign the permission note sent from the office and must be approved by the Principal. The phone is turned into the office in the morning and returned to students at dismissal.

Faculty- School Association (FSA) Mrs. Palhais, President Fr. Chendorain, Vice-President

- + All parents are members of the FSA and All parents support the school
- + FSA meets on the last Thursday of every other month: Schedule will be online
- + End of the year raffle
- + Plans 1 and 2:

Plan 1 requirements: BINGO, Gertrude Hawk chocolates, 6 hours of service

All Plan 1 and Plan 2 parents are <u>required</u> to provide 4 hours of service for the Christmas Bazaar

Student Clubs and Organizations

- + Academic: Math Club, STEAM Club, Coding Club
- + Sports: Bowling, Track and Basketball
- + Drama: Performing Arts Club (2nd to 5th grade), Senior Drama (6th to 8th grade)
- + Choir: Show Choir
- + Dance: Ukrainian Dance, Pep Squad
- + Instrument: Chimes
- + Religious: Altar Boys and Sodality
- + Other: Culinary, Yearbook, Arts and Crafts
- + Student Council

Communication - REMIND

- + Teacher & Principal email, REMIND: TEXT 81010
- + Principal: lshumny@assumptioncatholicschool.net
- + PK <u>dflorez@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @pkflorez
- + K jbielak@assumptioncatholicschool.net @bielakk
- + 1 <u>csuarez@assumptioncatholischool.net</u> @csuarez1
- + 2 <u>akukuruza@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @kukuruza2
- + 3 <u>aroque@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @aroque3
- + 4 <u>ddrayton@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @ddrayton4

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- + Teacher & Principal email, REMIND: TEXT 81010
- + 5 <u>sshumny@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @sshumny5
- + 6 <u>dlombardi@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @dlombardi6
- + 7 <u>alaffey@assumptioncatholicschool.net</u> @alaffey7
- + 8 mpickering@assumptioncatholicschool.net @pickering8

+ PowerSchool: Codes will be given out September 8th - DO NOT EMAIL

Communication

+ Send Things Into School: Envelopes should be addressed -

Name: Student Name and grade

Date:

Re:

Monthly School and Lunch Calendar and Bi-weekly Principal's Newsletter

Sick/ Absent/ COVID Protocol - Questions

Absences - 18 days

COVID Related: Masks, Protocol, Reopening Plan

Questions?

732-343-0750 Mrs. Shumny