

ST. MARY'S VISITATION

Catholic School † Elm Grove, WI

St. Mary's Visitation Parish School's Mission Statement

St. Mary's Visitation Catholic Parish School exists to direct children toward God and toward Christian service to society through Catholic religious formation, academic challenge, and continuous improvement.

SMV School Advisory Committee Meeting September 13, 2021

Attendance: Mary Tretow, Katie Fee, Sherryl Ellis, Mathew Mathai, Michelle Akel

- 1) Minutes from May 2021 meeting to be reviewed at October meeting.
- 2) Principal's Report
 - COVID status
 - .i. School year is off to a good start. No COVID cases so far this year.
 - .ii. Junior high classes travel together all day. Assigned seats
 - .iii. Parents are keeping kids home with respiratory illnesses
 - .iv. Lunch room is every other seat. Junior high outside for lunch.
 - .v. Met with HVAC company to discuss HEPA filter devices for furnace, Univent system.
 - New lunch program, School Eatery, is going well. Pizza was popular Friday. Can order until 8AM the morning of, which is convenient for families.
 - New math curriculum this year
 - New Social Studies book
 - Student safety:
 - .i. Had a Police Department walk through assessment – Officer will attempt to get into the school in plain clothes unannounced.
 - .ii. They will be practicing Run/fight/hide and will be doing a school lockdown drill. In an emergency K3 would go to parish office, K4/K5 to Town Bank, rest of the school to Village Hall
 - .iii. Emergency forms from 30 families is still due
 - .iv. Archdiocese will do safety audit and will discuss safety plan recommendations
 - .v. Raptor system to enter the school – will scan Driver's License and check against national registered Sex Offenders.
- 3) Bus – there have been several late notice cancellations for drivers. They are down 19 drivers for the bus company this year. If someone calls off sick, there won't be bus service. Kids can go to after school care if no bus service. Considering waiving the registration fee for after school care.

- 4) New norms for School Committee that are required for 2022-23 from the Arch. New roles on the committee and identifying the role of the committee. Pastor has final say for everything.
- 5) Advancement chair is needed
- 6) Parents in the school for the first time today for lunchroom duty
- 7) Fr. Peter and Fr. Bahling have been in the school. Deacon Kirk are circulating through the school on Thursdays
- 8) Advancement
 - Enrollment at 298 students
 - Class event on the playground was successful for K3. K4 was rained out but moms had a mom's night out.
 - Need to capture the 4yo families this year as they have had an atypical experience thus far with K3 last year not being allowed in the school.
- 9) Athletics
 - Deanery created plans for athletics protocols to try and be consistent amongst schools
 - No locker room access
 - Private cleaning company to clean gym on Sunday evenings
- 10) Budget
 - Teacher will receive first paycheck with new salary this week
- 11) Planning
 - Survey to parents in March
 - Part of new norms is to come up with a strategic plan for the school – will plan to work on this in the spring and next year
- 12) Policy
 - No updates
- 13) Technology
 - Eans grant - 157K to spend by 2023, plan to spend on tech.
 - New laptops for teachers, cart of chromebooks, new chromebooks in the tech lab, cart of new ipads – about 58K so far
 - Looking at new interactive projectors for the classrooms
- 14) Home & School
 - Fundraisers this fall
 - .i. Oct 2nd Trivia night
 - .ii. Virtual Soles Walk Oct 15 – hoping to raise 20k, Teachers get 10% of their classroom's donations
 - .iii. Oct 29 Spooks and Spoofs outdoors with a Trunk or Treat and food trucks 4-7PM
 - .iv. Cookbook fundraiser (looking for people to purchase ads to offset the cost)
 - Mother/son event will be moved to the spring
- 15) Pastoral council
 - First meeting tomorrow
- 16) Teacher report
 - New Norms for committee will exclude teacher participation from now on.
- 17) Old Business
 - None
- 18) New Business
 - None