



The President's Hebdomadal Newsletter
Celebrating 110 years of educational excellence in Covington
341 years of Lasallian excellence throughout the world



May 16 – 22, 2022

Alleluia! He is risen!

Welcome to Week Nine of the fourth quarter, Week Eight of spring, Week Five of the Easter Season – and the final week of the 2021 - 22 school year!

With the flurry of activities last week, my time management skills fell completely apart, and I did not have time to write a full newsletter (I can hear you giving thanks!) So, I am just printing the events for this week (mostly exams) and a few other items/reminders. I will send my final newsletter to you next Sunday. Thanks for understanding!

Monday, May 16 – CDEFG - 5 Period Day
SPECIAL 5 PERIOD SCHEDULE (With SSR)

(68 min classes; 30 min lunch)

Chimes	8:00
Block 1	8:03-9:14
Block 2/SSR	9:21-10:44
Block 3	10:51-11:59
Lunch	11:59-12:29
Block 4	12:34-1:42
Block 5	1:49-3:00

Tuesday, May 17 - Period A Review & Exam, Level Awards, Periods BC Exam Review

8:00	Chimes
8:20 -9:05	Review Period (A)
9:05-9:15	Break
9:15-10:45	Period A Exam
10:55-11:25	Level Awards
11:25-12:00	Lunch
12:00 -12:45	Review Period (B)
12:55- 1:40	Review Period (C)

Wednesday, May 18

- **TDIH:** In 1980, Mount St. Helens, a volcanic peak in southwestern Washington, suffers a massive eruption, killing 57 people and devastating some 210 square miles of wilderness.

8:00-8:10	Prayer, Roll and Announcements
8:10-9:40	Period B Exam
9:40-9:50	Break
9:50-11:20	Period C Exam
11:25-12:00	Lunch
12:00-12:45	Period D Review
12:55-1:40	Period E Review

Thursday, May 19

- **TDIH:** In 1588, a massive Spanish fleet, known as the "Invincible Armada," sets sail from Lisbon on a mission to secure control of the English Channel and transport a Spanish invasion army to Britain from the Netherlands.

8:00-8:10	Prayer, Roll and Announcements
8:10-9:40	Period D Exam
9:40-9:50	Break
9:50-11:20	Period E Exam
11:25-12:00	Lunch
12:00-12:45	Period F Review
12:55-1:40	Period G Review

Friday, May 20

- **TDIH:** In 1873, San Francisco businessman Levi Strauss and Reno, Nevada, tailor Jacob Davis are given a patent to create work pants reinforced with metal rivets, marking the birth of one of the world's most famous garments: blue jeans.

8:00	Chimes
8:10 - 9:40	Exam Period F
9:40 – 9:50	Break
9:55-11:25	Exam Period G
11:30	Dismissal – End of School Year

Saturday, May 21

- **TDIH:** In 1881, In Washington, D.C., humanitarians Clara Barton and Adolphus Solomons found the American National Red Cross, an organization established to provide humanitarian aid to victims of wars and natural disasters in congruence with the International Red Cross.
- **Waiters and Waitresses Day:** Let's appreciate all who serve us in our favorite restaurants

Sunday, May 22

- **TDIH:** In 1455, England's War of the Roses begins when Richard of York defeats Henry IV's troops at St. Albans, about 20 miles northwest of London.
- **TDIH:** In 1939, Italy and Germany agree to a military and political alliance, giving birth formally to the Axis powers, which will ultimately include Japan. Mussolini called The Pact of Steel.
- **Museum Day:** Plan to visit a museum virtually or in person this summer and expand your cultural horizons.

Saint Paul's School 2022 - 2023 CALENDAR – NEXT YEAR
(Subject to change if needed)

Mon - Tues, Aug 1 & 2	Teacher Meetings
Wed, Aug 3	Teacher Prep Day
Thurs, Aug 4	School Opens with a full day of instruction
Mon, Aug 15	New Parent Reception and Information Meeting (6:30)
Thu, Aug 18	Senior March through the Arch, Breakfast, Unity Day, Ring Day
Fri, Aug 19	Senior Ring Holiday
Mon, Aug 22	Parent – Teacher Mini Schedule Night (6:30)
Fri, Sep 2	Lasallian Convocation for Faculty (no classes for students)
Mon, Sep 5	Labor Day Holiday
Fri, Oct 7	End of First Quarter; 11:00 am dismissal
Fri., Oct 7	Grandparents Day (11:30 – 1:00)
Mon, Oct 17	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Sat, Oct 29	Prospective Student Open House (1 – 3 pm)
Mon-Fri, Nov 21 - 25	Thanksgiving Holidays
Mon, Nov 28	Classes resume from Thanksgiving Holiday
Tues - Fri, Dec 13-16	Semester Exams
Fri, Dec 16	Christmas Holidays begin at 11:45 following exams
Tues, Jan 03	Classes resume & Second Semester begins
Mon, Jan 16	Martin Luther King Holiday
Mon, Feb 06	Parent-Teacher Conferences 5-7
Fri, Feb 17	Faculty Retreat Day
Mon-Fri, Feb 20 - 24	Mardi Gras / Beginning of Lent Holidays
Mon, Feb 27	Classes resume
Fri, Mar 10	End of Third Quarter
Fri – Fri Apr 07 – 14	Easter Holidays (not spring break)
Mon, Apr 17	Classes resume from Easter Holidays
Wed-Fri, Apr 26 – 28	Senior Final Exams
Sat, May 13	Senior Graduation (4 pm)
Thurs – Tues, May 18-23	Final Exams
Wed, May 24	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day
Thurs, May 25	Conflict/Makeup Exam Day/Faculty Records Day

In case of emergency closings, make-up days will be taken from scheduled holidays.

PLEASE do not schedule vacations during school time.

CARE AND VIGILANCE: Parents, please stress with your sons that we still have several days of school left and that we intend to hold them accountable to the end. All school regulations (**especially dress code**) will be in effect and we will hold students accountable for their actions. Insist that your sons comply with our very reasonable rules and regulations, including dress codes.

DRESS CODE – VERY IMPORTANT: Due in part to the challenges of COVID the past two years, the boys became a bit lax in complying with our dress code, particularly in the areas of grooming and pants/shorts. As our first priority was keeping the school open (which we did) and providing quality education (which we also did), and as the boys were challenged with ever-changing safety protocols (which they were), we eased up a bit on enforcement of dress/grooming. That will change in August, as we envision a much more normal school year ahead.

As I know that some of you begin your “back to school” shopping during the summer sales, **know that we will insist this coming year on dress code compliance – especially concerning pants / shorts. We may even start sending repeat violators home (as done in other schools) if they are out of compliance with our dress code.**

Accordingly, we ask that as you shop for school clothes this summer, you do so with our dress code in mind. In particular, we insist on compliance with the pants/shorts regulation as we will be vigilant in terms of enforcement, especially pants / shorts. Here is what the handbook says:

- Cargo-style pants/shorts are not allowed.
- No oversized or droopy pants/shorts are allowed.
- **Shorts must be conventional, British tan khaki (aka Catholic school khaki), walking style shorts.**
- Shorts may not extend below the knees.
- **No running shorts, PE shorts, or SWIM SUIT STYLE shorts allowed.**
- **NO PFG or “FISHING” SHORTS ALLOWED.**
- Pants/shorts may be pleated or unpleated.
- **All pants/shorts must have a ZIPPER, belt loops, and pockets.**
- **A plain, solid brown belt must be worn with pants or shorts.**
- Acceptable pants & shorts are available at many vendors: Lands’ End, JC Penney, Wal Mart, GAP, Old Navy, Sears, etc. You DO NOT need to spend a lot of money to comply with the regulations. Just tell your son what he's going to wear or call me and I'll tell him. Again, we have many pre-owned pants, so feel free to come to the office and look through the stock.

Thus, the following example is NOT acceptable:



This example is acceptable:



Here is the rest of the dress code as printed in the Student-Parent Handbook:

- **Hair:** Hair **must NOT touch the shirt collar** or extend below eyebrows. Hair must be styled neatly and conventionally. The Dean of Students is the ultimate judge as to compliance. No dyed hair colors, Mohawk or other **unconventional** haircuts, including undercuts, are allowed. **Students may NOT return from summer vacation with dyed or sun-bleached hair.** Students must be **clean shaven** at school and at school sponsored events.
- **Jewelry.** No earrings or facial jewelry are allowed at school or school sponsored events. No chains may be hung from clothing. We **DISCOURAGE** expensive watches, bracelets or neckwear.
- **Shirts:**
 - **Only Saint Paul's BLUE uniform shirts as sold by Bayou Uniform Company are allowed.** Shirts **MUST** fit appropriately. Shirts may not be torn or have holes in them. **Bayou will be ready to sell blue uniform shirts by end of June.** Bayou is located at 13488 Seymour Myers in Covington (893-3700).
 - Shirts must be tucked in at **ALL** times during the school day.
 - **ONLY PLAIN white, blue, gray or gold tee shirts may be worn under the uniform shirt.** In cold weather, **ONLY** long-sleeved tee shirts sold in the book store may be worn under the uniform shirt.
 - **We have a supply of pre-owned shirts in fair to very good condition. If finances are tight and you would like to avail yourself of these shirts, feel free to come by the office. Your son will not be embarrassed in any way by this.** And the Mothers' Club Book Store will be selling pre-owned shirts and pants in very good

condition at a very low price during the first week before school. We also have a supply here in the administration building, which you are welcome to come browse through and take.

- **Socks & Shoes:**

- Shoes must be in good condition. Tennis shoes with laces meeting these criteria are allowed on regular school days.
- Sandals, slip on beach shoes with no laces, boots of any kind, or clog-styled shoes are not allowed.
- On days when students are required to wear dress uniforms, dress shoes (not tennis shoes) are required.
- Students must wear Saint Paul's uniform socks (available at Bayou or the Mothers' Club Book Store).

- **Cold Weather Outerwear:** ONLY SPS sweatshirts / outerwear sold in our bookstore are allowed.

- **Caps or Hats:** Caps and hats are NOT allowed on campus during the school day.

- **Formal dress uniform:** A “formal” uniform is worn on special occasions (school masses, ceremonies, field trips, special programs, etc.) This uniform includes a school tie (available at Bayou Uniform or the Mothers' Club Bookstore), any white long-sleeve shirt, and long khaki pants (preferably with dark shoes), socks, and belt are also part of the uniform which are purchased anywhere by the student.

- **IDs:** As an additional level of safety, students will be REQUIRED to WEAR THEIR ID CARDS on a daily basis. We will supply them with an SPS lanyard when they receive their cards on either Aug 4 or 5. This will also help with the cafeteria, as ID cards are used to check out and also with the attendance office, as ID cards are used to check in if a student is late. Students who do not have their ID on any day will be subject to detention. Lost ID cards must be replaced for a fee of \$10. And do not let your son use the ID card as a teething ring! Ask him to see the ID from time to time and encourage good dental hygiene!

Note: The Dean of Students is the final judge in all clothing and grooming issues. The school assumes that parents, by enrolling their son at Saint Paul's, will support us in these decisions.

Thank you for supporting our efforts to have our students look as good as they are!

LAST WEEK: Many thanks to:

- All who made the 111th commencement exercises of The Saint Paul's School and the Pre-freshman Promotion Ceremony so successful. Special thanks to Josh and his media class for live-streaming the promotion ceremony. Here's what one dad (who is working in Bangladesh) wrote me: *I just wanted to reach out and thank the Saint Paul's Team for live streaming the promotion ceremony. I am presently in Bangladesh and was able to watch the entire ceremony live in HD in a time zone that is 13 hours ahead of you. The great picture and sound quality made me feel like I was there in person. Thanks for the extra efforts – they are very much appreciated!* Unfortunately, technical problems developed with the senior graduation, but we are attempting to post the recording – will let you know when we accomplish that.
- Counselors, Joe, Lee, Trevor, and Tech Dept for sending schedules to students for final adjustments. Only the requested courses were on the schedules, not teachers or periods. In a number of cases, the counselors had to adjust electives due to undersubscribed classes being cancelled.
- Finance Office for processing tuition payments that are beginning to arrive.
- Don Pressley and the Physical Plant Crew, who continued to keep us up and running while responding to all the requests for our events last week.
- Campus Minister Jeff Ramon who conducted Eucharistic Ministry Training for 30 juniors.
- Jeaneen Schmitt, counselors, Joe and Trevor for the academic awards ceremony.
- Sam Francis, Claire, Carol and Coaches for the Athletic Awards Ceremony
- Andrew Moran and Band Boosters for the Band Awards Ceremony
- Brother Ken and 8th grade teachers for their help with the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony.
- The Senior Parents for a successful Grad Night on Wed.
- Andrew Moran for making sure all of our AV equipment was working during last week's events.
- Our football coaches for a successful spring practice. The Friday evening deluge affected the Pie Bowl and I don't know if they ever got to play as the field was flooded the last I checked!
- The Student Council for pressure washing the Wolf Dome for the post-graduation reception.

SOCIAL MEDIA: We continue to receive reports of inappropriate posts – some with legal implications.

Parents: please stress with your sons the consequences of inappropriate social media posting. Cyber-bullying is against the law and has legal implications. And the school will take strong measures against any inappropriate posting. Students: THINK before you post

SPS SUMMER CAMPS: We offer one of the best (if not THE best) summer camp programs around. For a complete listing of offerings, here is our website link: <https://www.stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp/> Some camps are filling up fast, so register now if you want a place for your son.

SUMMER READING: Welcome to a new school year. This is a reminder that **all** students have summer reading assignments for English, and students who are enrolled in an **Honors or A.P. Civics or U.S. History** course do as well (juniors and seniors only). Please take note of the following to ensure that your son completes these assignments as efficiently as possible.

All summer reading questions and titles for English and social studies (if your son is in Honors or AP U.S. History/Civics) are posted on our website. Go to the *Academics* tab on our site; then, click *Summer Reading*.

Lastly, all titles for your son's English course for the school year are posted under the *Academics* tab too. Click *English Paperback Lists*. Please obtain copies of these titles so your son is prepared throughout the year. Most of our families choose Amazon as their vendor, but please use whatever is most cost effective and convenient.

If you have any questions about your son's placement in English or social studies, please contact our Principal, Joe Dickens, at joed@stpauls.com.

TUITION INVOICES: Tuition invoices for 2022-23 have been emailed – again. Tuition is due June 1. Many thanks to those who are already responding. Allow me to express the following:

- Saint Paul's is a tuition driven school. Without tuition, we would not exist.
- A comparison of our tuition with other all-boy high schools shows that our tuition is one of the lowest.
- Tuition does NOT cover the cost of educating a student and providing him with the environment we all want. Thus, SPS relies on a limited number of fundraisers, which are critical to our moving ahead.
- Thus, we NEED you to pay tuition on time in order to meet our obligations to faculty and vendors.
- Thank you for your understanding and support of Saint Paul's School – and your investment in your son's future via tuition payment.



Aiden Barrios



William Ditta



James Dubreuil



Brady Bollinger



Andrew Hightower

Class of 2022 Valedictorians



Carter Murphy



Charles Ward



Preston Orgeron



Michael Olsen



Daniel Whalen



Brody Reina

Class of 2022 Salutatorians



Camden Cantrelle



Kason Shaw

A LOOK AHEAD:

May

- 16 – CDEFG (5 Period Day)
- 17 – 20 – 9th -11th Final Exams
- 20 – Last Day of School – 11:30 dismissal

I invite you to join me in praying for peace:



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

O Prince of Peace, once more we hear the guns of war,
Once more we see the faces of frightened children.
We pray for the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace;
We pray for the people of Russia, that they may demand peace;
We pray for our country, that we may be a positive part
Of peacemaking in this world. O Prince of Peace,
Lead us from this dark time to a deeper understanding
Of the global human family, so all may break bread together
In the secure embrace of peace. Amen.



As Christmas 2021 fades more and more, let us not forget the inspiration by Student Council on luminaria night: *AGAPE – the purest, highest kind of love!*

Even though it's the penultimate week of the school year, I will still close with a paraphrase of one of my favorite NPR radio shows (which I can't listen to anymore since it stopped broadcasting but I still remember it and LOL): well, it's happened again – you've squandered perfectly good time reading my ramblings! Know of my prayer for you and your family! Again, thanks for being part of SPS 2021 – 22!



Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC

Can't Believe We Are in the Final Week of 2021-22 and I'm Still the 17th Christian Brother President of Saint Paul's School – A Nationally Recognized Blue Ribbon School – again!

.... by doing ordinary things extraordinarily well, making courageous choices, doing God's will, remaining faithful, being guided to God, continuing our Lasallian Mission,

living courageously, respecting all people, and living the Gospel! Let's give it our best this week as befits a Lasallian Catholic National Blue-Ribbon School.

Brother Ray Bulliard, FSC -- The 17th Christian Brother President / CEO of Saint Paul's School



SAINT PAUL'S SCHOOL SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS



2022 SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS



June 6-10: Baseball



June 13-17: Football



June 20-24: Basketball



June 27-July 1: Soccer



June 27-July 1: Powerlifting/Strength



July 11-15: Speed, Agility, Strength



July 18-22 - Wrestling



July 18-22 - Lacrosse



July 18-22 - Rugby

- All camps are staffed by the coaches and athletes that make up some of the top athletic programs in Louisiana!
- Camps run Monday - Friday, 9am-3pm at St. Paul's School, 917 South Jahncke Ave, Covington, LA
- Camps are open to all boys ages 8-14 Prior experience in a sport not necessary!
- All camps have limited enrollment numbers. Sign up early to reserve your spot!
- All camps cost \$220 for the week. Sibling discounts are available. A lunch option is available for \$35.
- To sign-up, go to: stpauls.com/student-life/summer-camp

Questions? Contact sportscamps@stpauls.com or (985) 778-9166



for 2022–23 School Supply Boxes \$89 Early Bird Price*

Save time and money by ordering your school supplies through [Ramrock School Supplies](http://www.ramrockschoolsupplies.com). Locally owned and operated, they'll handle all your school supply needs by providing exactly what is on St. Paul's school supply list using high-quality items.



8th – 12th Grade School Supply Boxes		
*Early Bird Deadline	May 31, 2022	\$89
Final Deadline	July 15, 2022	\$96

How to Order – There are 2 ways to order school supply boxes:

Paper Order: Drop this order form off at St. Paul's bookstore or mail to: *Brenda Melancon, 731 Place Saint Etienne, Covington, LA 70433*. Final deadline for paper orders received through the school is May 31, 2022.

1) **Online Order:** Order online at www.ramrockschoolsupplies.com or scan the QR Code below. Deadline for online orders at the discounted price is May 31, 2022. Final deadline for ordering online is July 15, 2022.

Payment –

- 1) **Cash or Check:** Send in cash or a check payable to [St Paul's Mothers' Club](http://www.stpaulsmothersclub.com) with the order form.
- 2) **Credit Card or PayPal:** Order online or order in person at [Ramrock](http://www.ramrockschoolsupplies.com) located at 3701 Hwy 59 in Mandeville. (*Sales tax will be added to all in-store and online orders.*)

Delivery: Deliver to St. Paul's High School: School supply boxes will be delivered directly to St. Paul's High School to be picked up during Book Week (7/29/22 – 8/3/22) at St. Paul's Bookstore.



Boxes will be available for pick up during
Back to School Week
Friday, Jul 29th – Wednesday, Aug. 3rd
(Excluding Sunday, July 31st)
at the St Paul's Bookstore.

Questions? Contact Mary at [Ramrock School Supplies](http://www.ramrockschoolsupplies.com) (mary@ramrockschoolsupplies.com) or (985) 951-2595.

FOR YOUR RECORDS, PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF A NOTE OF YOUR ORDER AND YOUR FORM OF PAYMENT

St. Paul's Mothers' Club – [Ramrock School Supply Order Form](http://www.ramrockschoolsupplies.com)

Complete this form and return to St. Paul's Bookstore by May 31, 2022.

St. Paul's High School 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th

Print Student's Name Circle the Student's 2022-23 Grade

Print Additional Student(s)/Grade

Print Parent's Name Phone Number Email

2022-23 Grade <i>(Next School Year)</i>	Quantity	*Discounted Price <i>(Includes Tax)</i>
8 th – 12 th Grade Supply Box		\$89 \$96
Total # of Boxes:		Total \$:
Payment form of a check is payable to: St Paul Mothers' Club		

