

**The Good News in Education**  
**St. Joseph Catholic School - Greenville**

Dear Friend of St. Joseph,

Welcome back to school. We at St. Joseph realize that our students, families, and alumni are the reasons for our being here. We promise to serve you through this philosophy every day! Thank you for choosing Catholic education to enhance your family as the committed frontline educator of your child.

St. Joseph is an exciting institution of faith, academics, and community. You have a standing invitation to visit our school and view first hand the high standard of learning, discipline, and organization with which we have been blessed. God bless you.

Regards,

*Paul C. Artman, Jr.*  
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Principal  
August, 2011

WAYS TO PRAISE A CHILD

- \* Fantastic job
- \* You're a winner
- \* Exceptional
- \* You really tried
- \* You learned it correctly

COMMON CORE CURRICULUM

St. Joseph Catholic School proudly joins the Catholic Diocese of Jackson Schools and the Mississippi Department of Education for the phase in of new national educational standards. During this year of initial implementation our focus will be on:

- Higher order and critical thinking in math
- More non-fiction reading
- Persuasive writing across the curriculum

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

While we might perceive ourselves as dashing from meeting to meeting, we must remember that some meetings can be very beneficial. At St. Joseph we do offer a varying array of opportunities to monitor your child's progress. Often there is no substitute for a face-to-face meeting.

We promise to summon you to school for only the most vital of information and for the most beneficial of general meetings. We humbly request that you respond by attending called meetings. In return, you will gain the benefit of hearing the latest information about scholarship assistance, parenting tips, and school advisory messages. We invite you to enjoy an integral part of your child's secondary experience by attending school meetings and reading written communications provided you on a regular basis.

INSURANCE

You may protect your child with student accident or health insurance for the academic year. The St. Joseph Administrative Office has information regarding securing student insurance coverage at affordable rates from UnitedHealthcare. Please note that student health coverage is a requirement of enrollment at this school. The school does not provide insurance coverage.

CONGRATS ST. JOSEPH

The Catholic institutions of Greenville thank the community for the 2011 *Delta Democrat Times* Reader's Choice Selections:

Best Church	St. Joseph Parish
Best Pastor	Father Richard Somers
Best Elementary	Our Lady of Lourdes
Best High School	St. Joseph School
Best Principal	Paul Artman

### INSTANT PARENT CONTACT

In efforts to improve communication between parents and school, St. Joseph School employs the SchoolReach notification system. Utilizing telephone and email messaging, SchoolReach affords instantaneous information to our families. Please help us communicate with you by keeping your phone and email information up to date. Also, please note that phone messages will be provided if one does not answer the telephone call from school. Please refer to the message that has been left by school officials and avoid calling the school back. If you can think of ways to better communicate with families please afford the principal the benefit of your suggestions.

### PREVENT MORNING MADNESS

The night before:

- Gather all school items
- Lay out the uniform
- Pack lunch or lunch money
- Set the alarm

In the morning:

- Get Dressed
- Eat a healthy breakfast
- Depart early at a set time

### PARISH FAIR PLANNING

Mark your calendar for all the fun, food, games, and excitement of Greenville's greatest party, the annual St. Joseph Parish Fair. The Fair is scheduled at the rear of St. Joseph Catholic School Tuesday, September 13.

### OUR ST. JOSEPH MISSION IS TO

Provide a Catholic faith-based education in a safe, academically challenging, and creative environment. It is our belief that every child can succeed and deserves our constant support.

### ST. JOSEPH SPORTS

The St. Joseph Athletic Association and School are pleased to announce sports video casts are coming your way beginning with this football season. See all the Irish action in baseball, basketball, football, soccer, and other sports by clicking [www.stjoefightingirishsports.com](http://www.stjoefightingirishsports.com) and watching free video casts.

Fifty-five Irish events will be live-streamed on video this academic year, so here is the perfect sponsorship opportunity for an Irish business. The low cost is only \$600 for the full year of St. Joseph advertising. Join us now!

### GOOD NEWS

At St. Joseph Catholic School, we value achievement and thank God for good news like the achievements of our Dance Teams:

➤ Mrs. Stephanie Rester, Dance Coach

➤ Middle School Irish Gems

Terriyana Bailey Co-Captain

Mary Helen Duncan Co-Captain

Emily Manning Opulence Venton

Destiny Yeager

➤ High School Irish Emeralds

Meagan Signa Captain

Drewonna Goldsmith Co-Captain

Kieylon Bodie Anna Conway

Devyn Jennings Jasmine Jones

Jessica Parker Megan Pollard

Tiara Sykes Karisma Williams

### WHAT DO TEACHERS EXPECT OF FAMILIES

- \* Support for school and classroom policies
- \* Support for the teacher's decisions
- \* Help with Homework and assignments
- \* Response to communications
- \* Presence at school functions
- \* Provision of school supplies and forms
- \* Accountability for the child's whereabouts
- \* Provision of up-to-date emergency info
- \* Weekly Mass / church attendance