

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year at St. Anthony of Padua! We are so excited that school is underway and hope that your child has had a wonderful week! For those that do not know me, I am Mrs. Jessica Garcia, the Music and Theatre Arts Teacher at St. Anthony of Padua School.

This year in music we will prepare grades to sing songs together as well as improve their knowledge of music theory, history, and voice and diction. During the third trimester, classes will focus on musical theatre as we prepare for our annual classroom shows!

Just a reminder, for the Christmas Show and Classroom Musical Shows, you will be responsible for finding a costume for your student(s). I send the information out one to two months early. Please don't wait until the last minute to find costumes. You are not required to go out and spend a ton of money on them. Costumes can be simple, but please make sure your child has a costume for the shows. It is part of their grade.

3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade will be invited to audition for our after-school theatre program where we will prepare for our mainstage show *Beauty and the Beast Jr.*! We are thrilled to continue to offer this unique theatre program that is not offered at any other Catholic Elementary School!

Music and Theatre Arts will begin Tuesday, August 22, 2023, and will conclude Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. Below, you will find a link to a google form syllabus acknowledgement. Please review the <u>syllabus</u> with your student(s) and submit the form through this <u>link</u>. Families with multiple children, please submit the form **once** and make sure to list all students at St. Anthony of Padua.

Below you will find a music supply list for grades 3-8. Those in K-2 do not need to bring any supplies to music. There is also a general supply list below that is **optional**, but we would love donations if possible! When donating an item, you can drop the supplies in the office with a bag labeled Music Room 5.

## **General Donation Supply List**

- Container of Baby Wipes
- Colored copy paper (8.5x11 or 11x14, good colors to buy: Red, Blue, Green, Pastels)
- White copy paper (8.5x11)
- 1 container of disinfectant wipes
- Duracell Double A (AA) Batteries (for microphones and candles)
- Clip boards (the brown ones, with a silver clip for students to write on).

## Grades K-2:

- None

Grades 3-8 (This doesn't need to be dropped off, but students should have this for Music class)



- Personal ipad or computer device
- Personal writing utensil
- Notepaper/Notebook to take notes

The lab fee associated with this class is \$15, which is included in your tuition contract. Such fees include instruments, music express magazine (curriculum for K-8), licensing and rights for the classroom shows.

If you would like to volunteer to help with certain music and theatre events, I would really appreciate the help. There is a Musical Theatre Committee to help with sets and props for our shows. If you are interested in participating during our shows, please be sure to mark "yes" on the online form. This will count toward your volunteer hours.

To review, please fill out the form <u>here</u> and submit by **Friday, September 1, 2023**. (Please turn one in per family and list all students attending St. Anthony of Padua)

- <u>Parent/Student Rules Acknowledgment Form</u>
- 23-24 Music Syllabus

## Please Note: Your student receives a grade to ensure they have their online acknowledgement form turned in!

Lastly, please mark your calendars for the following show dates this year:

Christmas Show: Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 6pm

Talent Show: Thursday, March 7, 2024, at 1pm

**Class Spring Shows:** Wednesday, May 29, 2024 (K, 2, 4) at 8:30am, Thursday, May 30, 2024 (1, 3, 5) at 8:30am

*Beauty and the Beast Jr.*: Thursday, May 30, 2024 at 6pm Friday, May 31, 2024 at 7pm Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 1pm Saturday, June 1, 2024 at 7pm

Thank you very much for everything and I am looking forward to a great year!

God Bless you!

Mrs. Garcia