



# St. Celestine School

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Dear St. Celestine School Families,

It is with a great deal of excitement and anticipation that we start the 2025/26 School Year. We look forward to our 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders having their first day on 8/20/25. Our PreK and Kindergarten students have their first full day on 8/22/25.

The St. Celestine School staff has always been second to none and this continues into the new school year. There are some important and very recent staffing changes that have taken place, which need to be shared. There are highly qualified new teachers joining the St. Celestine staff. Please note the following:

- Ms. Cindy Hamilton recently married and received the opportunity to move to a new home. Due to travel distance, she will not be able to fulfill her contract this year. Please join me in expressing deep and profound gratitude to her for her endless dedication to St. Celestine School.
- Mrs. Angela Carli contacted me late this summer to let me know that she needs to care for her sick mother and is not able to fulfill her contract for the 2025/26 school year. Please join me in prayers of gratitude and support for her.
- Ms. Jennie Griffin has accepted the role of Assistant Principal left by Ms. Hamilton. Her years of experience and strong sense of Catholic School leadership make her an invaluable asset to the school.
- Mr. Sean Monahan will assume the role of 8<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom teacher.
- Mr. Don Shanahan will be joining St. Celestine School as a 7<sup>th</sup> Grade homeroom teacher and Science teacher for Junior High. He has many years experience in both public and Catholic schools, a strong sense of school community, and a truly engaging energy towards teaching and learning.
- Mr. Craig Johnson will be joining St. Celestine School as the Junior High Reading teacher and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade homeroom teacher. He comes with many years experience in public schools, very high compliments regarding his academic expertise, and a desire to be part of a strong school community.
- Ms. Tina Addante is joining the St. Celestine School staff with experience in both Catholic and private school settings. She will be teaching 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Science, as well as supervising a 5<sup>th</sup> grade homeroom.
- As announced earlier this year, Mrs. Tracy Benetatos will be bringing her experience and creativity to teaching Art. She has spent the summer preparing many projects and organizing the Art Room for a fabulous 2025/26 school year.
- Multiple conversations and interviews are underway for the 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading/ ELA teacher. Strong candidates have emerged. Details will be made available as soon as a teacher is hired. St. Celestine has had the benefit of a number of teachers being very interested in the position.

With the evolving staffing from over the summer and in an effort to be fully organized for the 2025/26 school year, room numbers were shared rather than teachers' names in the Organization Day Packet. Please review this chart to determine teacher name and room number.

Grade	Room Number	Teacher
PreK 3/4	114	Mrs. Alyssa Jelinek
PreK 4	109	Mrs. Paula Niklewicz
Kindergarten	113	Mrs. Michelle Doyle
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	106	Mrs. Patti Jensen
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	107	Mrs. Mary Guerrero
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	104	Ms. Anna Deavila
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	105	Mrs. Susan Petri
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	100	Mrs. Monique Mueller
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	101	Mrs. Christin Kamptner
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	102	Mrs. Jennie Griffin
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	103	Announcement coming soon
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	213	Ms. Giovanna Gianfortone
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	211	Ms. Tina Addante
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	202	Mrs. Leticia Orozco
6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	206	Mr. Craig Johnson
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	203	Mr. Don Shanahan
7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	205	Ms. Amy Roberts
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	204	Mr. Sean Monahan

Please join me in supporting and welcoming every teacher, both returning and new. St. Celestine's enrollment is over 370 students, the strongest in the area. This year promises to be a strong and positive year. As always, please contact me if you have any questions. I can best be reached at [sklich@stcelestineschool.org](mailto:sklich@stcelestineschool.org).

You are in my prayers. Please keep the school in yours.

With Gratitude,

Sheila M. Klich

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