



First Week Student Arrival/Dismissal Times

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

8:00 am – 12:00noon

This is the first official school day for all students in grades one through eight.

Pre-K students and parents will be meeting their teachers today. Students with last names that begin with the letters A-J are to report at 9:00am and will be dismissed at 10:00am. Pre-K students whose last names begin with K-Z are to report from 10:30am and will be dismissed at 11:30am.

Students in **grades 4 through 8** are to report to Father Smith Hall at **8:00am**; students in **grades 1 through 3** are to report to the **Academy** gym at **8:00am**.

Academy doors will open at 7:00am. Students on this first day will be picked up by their homeroom teacher and brought to their homeroom classroom.

Please note, there will be **NO OPT bus service** on this first day of school.

Dismissal procedures for the new school year will be:

- **Nursery will drop off and pick up from the Nursery door by Father Smith Hall.**
- **Pre-K through Grade 4 will dismiss from the front doors into the school yard.**
- **Grades 5 and 6 will dismiss from the exit on 245th Street, closer to Northern Blvd.**
- **Grades 7 and 8 will dismiss from the 245th Street exit closer to Alameda Ave.**

Thursday, September 6, 2018

8:00am – 12:00noon

All Pre-K students to report at 9:00am and will be dismissed at 11:30am.

This is the first official school day for students entering Kindergarten. Kindergarten students begin at 9:00am and will be dismissed at 11:30am.

Beginning at 7am until 7:55 am, students are to enter the **Academy** through the courtyard, entering Father Smith Hall. Students in grades five through eight will be released at 7:45am to go to their respective homerooms; students in grades one through four will proceed to their homerooms at 7:55am. **All students are to be in their homerooms by 8am.** Anyone arriving into their homeroom after 8am will be considered late, and marked accordingly.

Friday, September 7, 2018

8:00am – 12:00noon

Pre-K students begin full day instruction, with student dismissal at 2:20pm. Kindergarten students continue to transition into the **Academy**, and are to report at 9:00am and will be dismissed at 11:30am.

Families are welcome to join the **Divine Wisdom** community at our Opening of School Liturgy at 10:30am, at **St Anastasia Church**.

Monday, September 10, 2018

8:00am – 2:45 pm

Full day instruction begins today for students in Kindergarten through Grade 8.

For students in Kindergarten through 8, **Divine Wisdom's** day begins **promptly** 8:00am with morning prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance, and school-wide announcements. Students will be marked late if they arrive in their homeroom **after** 8:00am.

Nursery students begin their transition into the world of school. Nursery students, attending the full-day program, or the AM session will begin today.

AM students are to report for an abbreviated schedule, 9:00am -- 10:00am.

Full-day Nursery students are to report from 10:15am --11:15am. (Please note, PM Nursery students begin their transition on Tuesday, September 12, 2017 from 12:00noon – 1:00 pm).

The **Academy's** after school program begins today. Registration forms need to be completed and handed into the Administrative office prior to a child attending the program.

Important Reminders...

Please note, when dropping off, or picking up your children, do not **park** in the school bus stop. Please do not double park, park in our neighbors' driveways, or on or near the center median on Alameda Avenue, or on the wrong side of the street. **There will be no OPT bus service on the first day of school.** Bus service will begin on Thursday, September 6th. The NYCDOE Office of Pupil Transportation authorizes all bus eligibility.

Beginning September 10, 2018 and every full day thereafter, students in grades 1 through 8 will be dismissed at 2:45pm. (Wednesday is no longer early dismissal)

Pre-Kindergarten dismissal is 2:20pm every day; Kindergarten dismissal is 2:30pm.

Half-day dismissal time on the first Friday of each month, and any other designated day is 12noon, Grades 1 through 8, and 11:45am for Kindergarten.

Important Dates to Remember...

Back to School Night... **Wednesday, September 13, 2018.** A detailed correspondence, including the meeting agenda can be found in the *Back to School 2018* folder, on the **Academy's** website.

Catechetical Sunday... **Sunday, September 16, 2018** is when those designated to serve as catechists are called forth to be commissioned for their ministry during Mass. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in passing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

All are welcome to join the **Divine Wisdom** faculty and **Saint Anastasia** Religious Education faculty at 10am for this very special liturgy, at **Saint Anastasia Church**.