



August 28, 2026

Dear St. Anne Families,

The weekend before school begins was always an exciting time when my daughters were growing up. They would try on their uniforms one more time to make sure they still fit, and with five daughters, we always seemed to have a corner of the house filled with mountains of school supplies! While there were a few tears as summer came to an end, those quickly turned into excitement about meeting new teachers and seeing friends again.

That same excitement is in the air at St. Anne as we prepare to welcome our students back! It has been a very busy and productive week for our faculty and staff. We began the week on Monday with a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Our teachers had the opportunity to tour the shrine and museum and attend a presentation by Gerard J. Joyce, President of Mount St. Mary's University. The day concluded with everyone coming together in prayer to pray the Rosary. It was a wonderful day of faith, fellowship, and renewal shared with more than 500 teachers, administrators, and priests from throughout the Diocese.

After this special day of faith and reflection, our teachers returned to St. Anne on Tuesday for our annual Welcome Back Faculty Meeting. On Wednesday, they participated in professional development focused on Explicit Instruction, an approach that provides students with clear, purposeful, and structured learning. Thursday and Friday were spent putting the finishing touches on classrooms, preparing lessons, and making sure everything was ready for our students' arrival. It has been a wonderful week of preparation, collaboration, and learning, and our faculty and staff are excited to welcome our students back to St. Anne!

As we near the start of school, I would also like to thank everyone who attended our Welcome Back Night on Tuesday evening. It was wonderful to see so many families and students, and their excitement for the new school year was contagious. We are looking forward to a wonderful year together!

Attached to this letter is an important reminder regarding our school dismissal procedures, along with a detailed diagram outlining the dismissal locations and procedures. At the end of each school day, many of our students are dismissed from different locations throughout the building. To ensure that dismissal is safe and orderly, it is important that everyone follows the established procedures and uses the designated dismissal areas.

LEARN SUCCEED LEAD

375 Hickory Street • Bethlehem, PA 18017 • 610-868-4182 • stannebethlehem.org

Our safety plans have been carefully developed to protect our students and have been reviewed and approved by the Bethlehem Police Department. Our primary goal is to ensure that every student is dismissed safely and arrives home safely each day. We appreciate your cooperation and support in following these procedures.

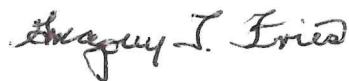
As we get ready for the first days of school, I would like to remind everyone of a few important upcoming dates:

- **First Day of School:** School begins on Monday, August 31, for students in Kindergarten through Eighth Grade.
- **First School Mass** - Students will attend Mass on Thursday, September 3, at 8:45 a.m.
- **Labor Day Vacation:** School will be closed Friday, September 4, through Monday, September 7.
- **Open House – Grades 1–4:** Wednesday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center. Please enter through the Hickory Street Community Center doors.
- **Open House – Grades 5–8:** Thursday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center. Please enter through the Hickory Street Community Center doors.
- **Preschool Open House:** Thursday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the Preschool classrooms. Please enter through the Preschool entrance by the Preschool playground on Hickory Street.
- **First Day of Preschool:** The first day of preschool is Monday, September 14, at 8:30 a.m.
- **Early Dismissal:** Friday, September 25, is our first early dismissal. Students will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m.

We are excited to begin a new school year and look forward to welcoming our students back to St. Anne. Our faculty and staff have been working hard to prepare for a wonderful year, and we are grateful for the partnership and support of our families.

Enjoy this final weekend of summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday!

May God bless our St. Anne community,



Dr. Fries

St Anne, pray for us!

IMPORTANT REMINDER, DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

Car Riders

Enter via Hickory Street, this is one way from Easton Ave.

Row 1 proceed to Cloverleaf St. and stop at the sign posted car line.

Park **ONLY** at the curb on the school side.

Rows 2,3,4 will stop at the one-way designated at Millard St.

In all we will form 4 lines for dismissal on Hickory Street.

Residents living on Hickory St. across from the school are permitted to curb parking on their side of the street. SAS **CANNOT** block this parking; however, those residents are not permitted access during PM dismissal time.

AT NO TIME YOUR VEHICLE TO BE RUNNING IF THE DRIVER IS NOT SEATED BEHIND THE WHEEL.

There should be **NO** parking on Millard Street to cross over Hickory Street to pick up your child.

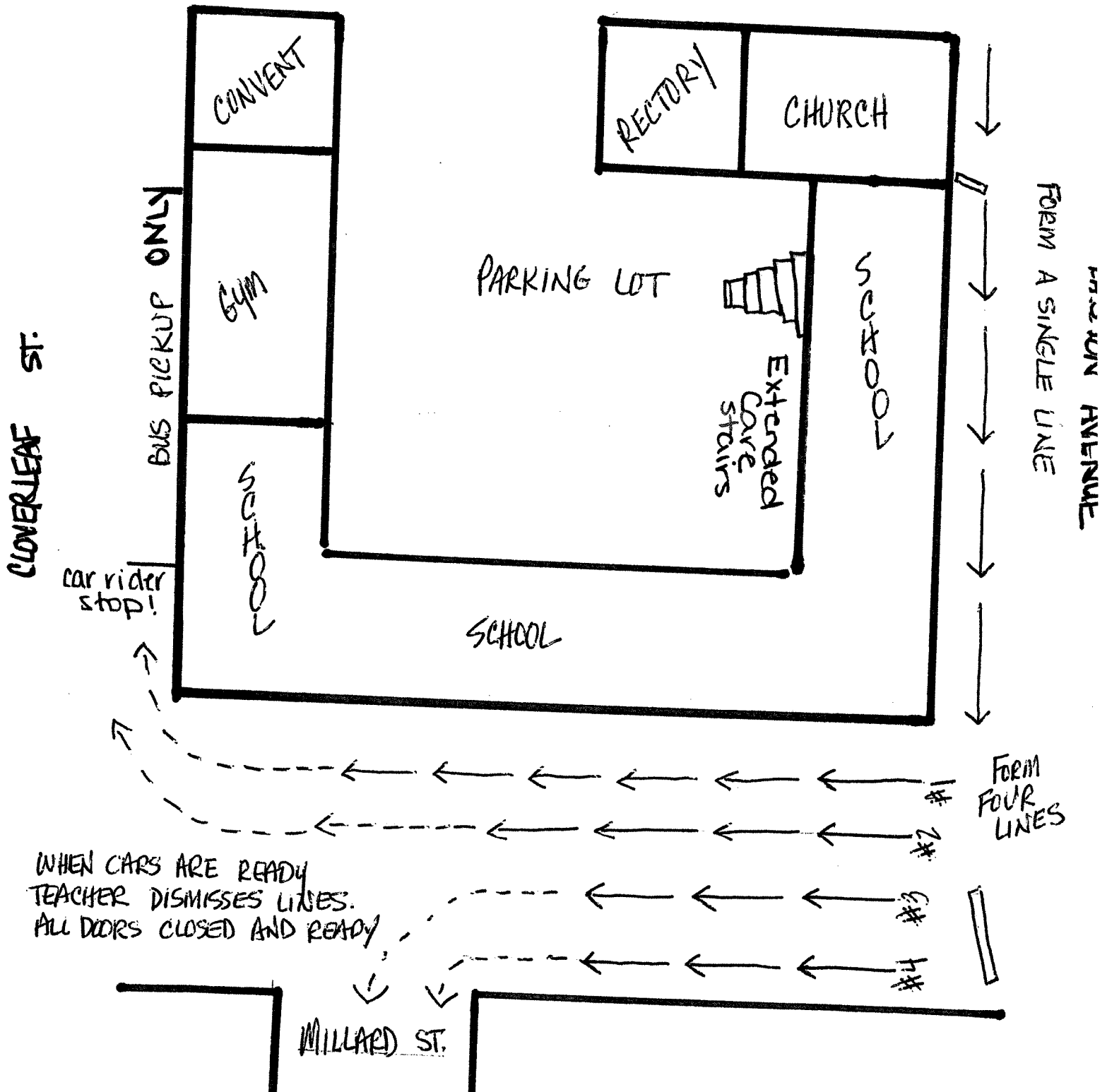
DO NOT get out of your car if you are parked on Easton Ave. You need to wait until the lines pull up on Hickory Street to proceed forward.

There should also be **NO** parking/pickup on Cloverleaf since that is designated for Bus Pick up **ONLY!**

These safety plans are put in effect to protect the children and were approved by the Bethlehem Police Department. It works if everyone works together. Please be patient!

ST. ANNE DISMISSAL
2:45 PM.

WASHINGTON AVENUE



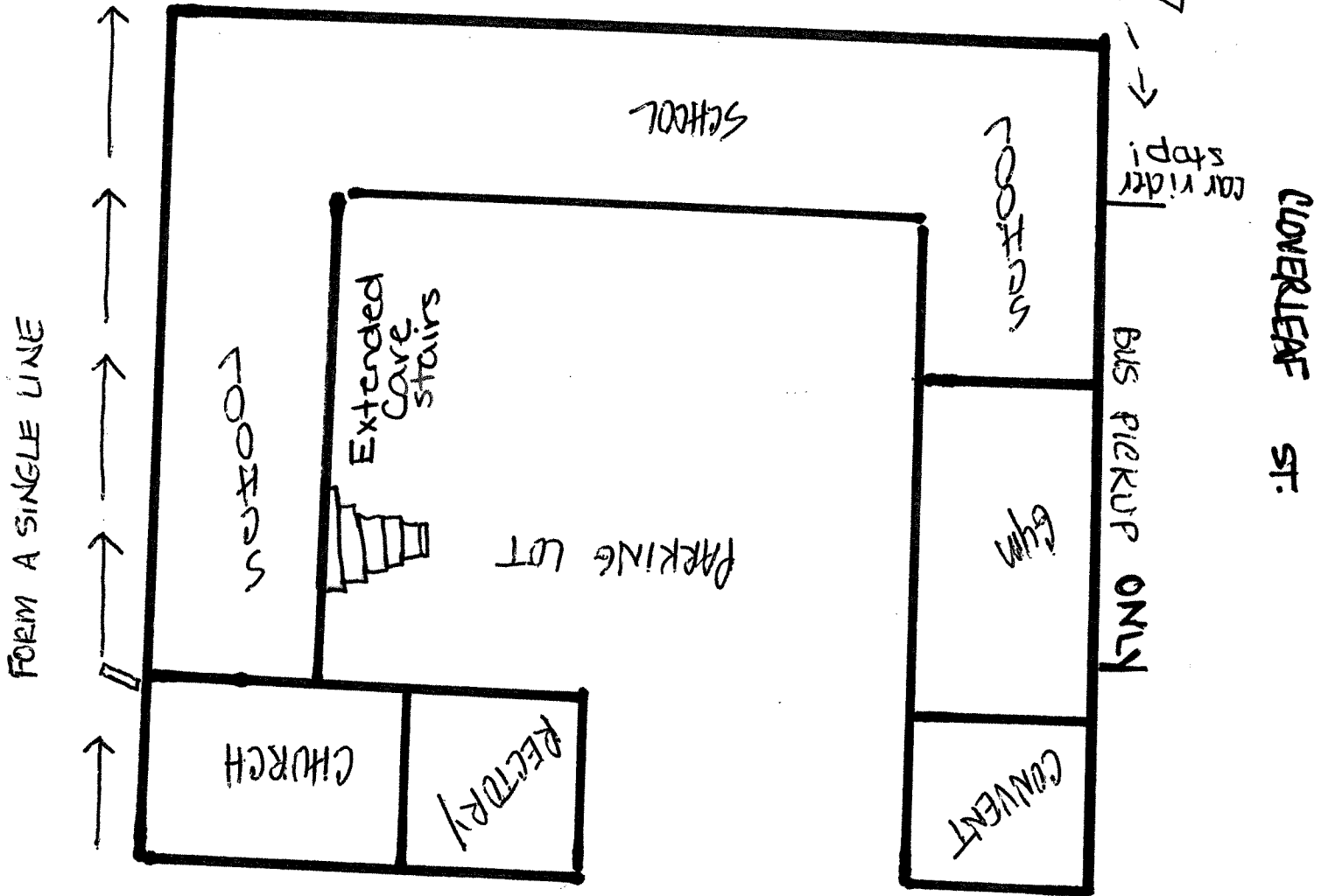
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FORM A SINGLE LINE



COVER LEAF ST:

BUS PICKUP ONLY

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for 1 day

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PARKING LOT

Extended
Cave
stairs

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CHURCH

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TEACHER DISMISSES LINES.
ALL DOORS CLOSED AND READY

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St. Anne School
Back To School
Night For Grades
1 through 4
Parents ONLY

When: September 9, 2026
Where: Community Center
6:00-6:10 - Opening Blessing,
Principal Comments, Intro to
Faculty and Staff
6:20-6:30 PSA Presentation
6:35-6:55 Classroom
Presentation - Session 1
7:00-7:20 - Classroom
Presentation - Session 2

St. Anne School
Back To School
Night For Grades
5 through 8
Parents ONLY

When: September 10, 2026
Where: Community Center
6:00-6:10 - Opening Blessing,
Principal Comments, Intro to
Faculty and Staff
6:20-6:30 PSA Presentation
6:35-6:55 Classroom
Presentation - Session 1
7:00-7:20 - Classroom
Presentation - Session 2



EXTENDED CARE POLICIES

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

- You must re-register for Extended Care each year. Forms are attached. Please fill out the forms completely
- Registration fee is \$35.00 per child and due with the application
- Extended Care is open 7 AM to 9 AM and 2 PM to 5:30 PM
- St. Anne Extended Care uses ProCare for attendance and billing. If you are new to Extended Care you must create an account. Once you create an account ProCare will send you an invite email (check your spam), accept the invite and receive a pin #.
- Invoices will be sent via email on the 1st of every month with payment due no later than the 15th. For example: On October 1st you will receive an invoice for September. That invoice must be paid no later than October 15th.
- All Extended Care accounts MUST be on autopay. This means you must add to your ProCare account a checking, savings or credit card. Your child will not be allowed to go to Extended Care if you do not have autopay.
- Your child will not be able to attend Extended Care if you have a delinquent balance.
- Extended care is \$9.00.
- Every child who attends Extended Care must have a registration form on file.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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EXTENDED CARE REGISTRATION FORM

Date: _____

Please check the approximate time(s) your student may attend Extended Care.

_____ Mornings 7:30 am – 9 am

_____ Afternoons 2 – 5:30 pm

Students Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____

Date of Birth: _____ **Male:** ____ **Female:** ____ **Grade/Homeroom:** _____

Medical/Additional Information:

Allergies: _____

Other: _____

Student's

Interests: _____

Student's

Fears: _____

Siblings (names, grade,

ages): _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian 1 Name:_____ **Email:**_____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone:_____ **Cell Phone:**_____

Employer:_____ **Work Phone:**_____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian 2 Name:_____ **Email:**_____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone:_____ **Cell Phone:**_____

Employer:_____ **Work Phone:**_____

Parents: ☐ Married ☐ Divorced ☐ Separated ☐ Widowed ☐ Single

If divorced or separated Custody agreements are required

In addition to Parents list people who are authorized to pick up your child(ren)

Name:_____ **Email:**_____

Home Phone:_____ **Cell Phone:**_____

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Name:_____ **Email:**_____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone:_____ **Cell Phone:**_____



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FAQS FOR PARENTS



Does my child need to know how to play an instrument to join?

No. We teach your child everything he/she needs to know to play their musical instrument.

When do lessons begin for students?

First lesson dates vary by school. Dates are listed on the enrollment page when you register your child for lessons. Once registered, you can expect an email from your child's teacher within a week of the first lesson.

When do lessons occur?

Your child will receive one (1) 30-minute small group lesson each week. **All lessons are scheduled during the school day.** Lessons are scheduled on a rotating basis so students don't miss the same class each week.

What grades are eligible to participate?

In most schools, students can sign up for a string instrument as early as 3rd grade, and band instruments starting in 4th grade. Some schools have different requirements. Contact your school or music teacher to confirm specific offerings.

How much does participation cost?

There are two components to participation in the program: tuition and a **quality** musical instrument. Refer to the attached flyers for tuition and rental instrument pricing.

If my child doesn't sign up now, will he/she be able to later?

Although we do not recommend delaying enrollment in the program, we do welcome registrations throughout the year. Students that join the program mid-year will have to work diligently to catch up to their peers. Our teachers will do their best to get your child caught up.

Will participation affect my child's grades in other subjects?

It will almost surely help them. Research has shown that band has a positive influence on other studies. Music students consistently average higher grades than non-music students.

Can you be in the band/orchestra and be involved in other school activities like sports, cheerleading, dance, step, chorus, or art?

Absolutely! Most of our music students are involved in other electives and activities.

My child is involved in so many activities. Won't those activities affect his/her performance in band/orchestra and vice versa?

Music students often have many varied interests that make them among the busiest students in the school. The experience that they gain in balancing these interests and activities often proves to be one of life's most valuable lessons.

What should I do if my child is struggling?

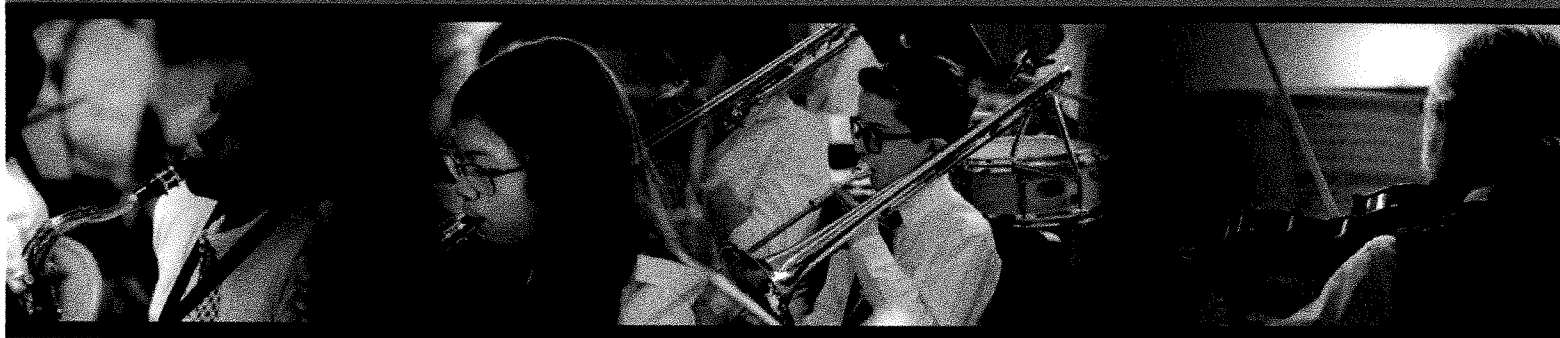
Practice is a key component for improvement; students must practice in order to improve. If your child is practicing and still struggling with their instrument, contact your child's music teacher for suggestions. Above all else, remain positive and encouraging as your child learns this new skill.

Will my child have an opportunity to perform?

Yes! For beginning students, your child will have at least 1 performance this year. For advanced students, there will be a minimum of 2 performance per year. In addition to school concerts, there are other opportunities to perform in our annual Northeastern Honor Band festival, Archdiocese festivals, and other performances arranged by your child's teacher.



SAVE NOW!
Tuition discounts on all
annual plans through the
end of September



Learn to play a musical instrument!

Each year, students have the opportunity to join their school band and learn a musical instrument. Learning a musical instrument is one of the best decisions you will ever make! Enroll your child in band today and begin a musical journey that can last a lifetime!

Lessons and Rehearsals

- Students attend weekly small group lessons during the school day. Daytime lesson times rotate each week so students do not miss the same class.
- There are also weekly full band rehearsals before or after school.
- The band will play a minimum of 2 concerts - holiday and spring.

Lesson Tuition Costs

- The current tuition rate is **\$95.00** per month, paid in 9 monthly installments.
- Multiple payment plans and family discounts are available.
- Discounts on annual plans for all customers that enroll in before the end of September.

Musical Instrument Costs

- If needed, students can rent an instrument directly from our parent company, Menchey Music Service.
- Instruments and materials are delivered directly to your school.
- Rental prices vary by instrument.
- Instrument purchase options are available.



First lesson date:
Varies by school

Start dates are determined on a by school basis. First lesson dates can be found on the enrollment page on our company website. Please contact your school's music for more information.

ENROLL TODAY!



Why Northeastern Music?

- We have 40+ years experience providing music programs to schools.
- We believe that every child deserves the gift of music!
- No commitment. You can cancel at anytime.



**ENROLLMENT
NOW OPEN**

nemusicprograms.com

Phone: 888-636-2439
info@nemusicprograms.com

Tuition Rates for 2026-27

Tuition Cost – Single Student

Annual Plan

One-time payment due at enrollment

\$855.00 *

*10% discount if enrolled before
the end of September (\$769.50)

Installment Plan

1st installment due at enrollment
Monthly payments Oct 1 – May 1

\$95.00 (9 total payments)

*Rate changes to \$106.88 on
October 1 (8 installments)

Tuition Cost – Multi Student/Family

Annual Plan

One-time payment due at enrollment

\$1,282.50

*10% discount if enrolled before
the end of September
(\$1,154.25)

Installment Plan

1st installment due at enrollment
Monthly payments Oct 1 – May 1

\$142.50 (9 total payments)

*Rate changes to \$160.31 on
October 1 (8 installments)



Musical Instrument Rental Purchase Program



2026 Rental Rates

instrument packages tailored to your child's school music program

- ♪ Special rental rates for Northeastern Music Students
- ♪ Rental purchase with return option
- ♪ Rates include maintenance & replacement protection
- ♪ Instrument switching and trade up program
- ♪ Regular pickup & delivery service to your child's school

Band Instrument Rates

Monthly Rental Rate
includes M&R*

Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, Trombone, Drum Kit, Bell Kit
\$37.99

Alto Sax
\$52.99

Oboe, French Horn, Tenor Sax, Baritone
\$66.99

String Instrument Rates

Monthly Rental Rate
includes M&R*

Violin & Viola Fractional Size
\$28.99

Cello Fractional Size
\$48.99

String Bass Fractional Size
\$67.99

**ENROLL
TODAY!**



BAND: 80% of your payments apply toward purchase of a similar new student grade instrument. All prices before tax. STRING: 100% of your fractional instrument payments apply toward a full size student instrument. Full size string instruments rent at slightly higher monthly rates than fractional size instruments. All prices before tax. *M&R* is Maintenance and Replacement coverage. With this teacher recommended coverage, we cover all routine instrument maintenance, replacement coverage should the instrument be stolen or irreparable, and loaner instruments while your instrument is in our service department.

Rental Rates effective until August 14, 2027

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rent online

www.nemusicprograms.com
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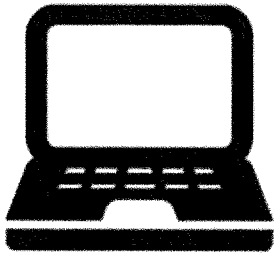


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HOW TO ENROLL



Enroll Online

ENROLL* your child in the band program at
www.nemusicprograms.com

DURING THIS PROCESS YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:

- REGISTER FOR LESSONS
- RENT AN INSTRUMENT
- PURCHASE ACCESSORIES

OR



Call Us

Our customer service representatives are ready to assist you by calling:

1-888-MENCHEY (636-2439)

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS - CYO COACHES

If you are new to St. Anne School, or plan to volunteer in school or at school events/activities, volunteer with or coach CYO.. especially in the fall – PLEASE BE SURE TO OBTAIN YOUR Child Protection Clearances -----

- As soon as possible in time for new school year
- Fall sport coaches/volunteers should be updating or completing clearances RIGHT NOW!

Please contact me at the email address below to get started, check your clearance status, or if you have any questions. I will be happy to assist you in the completion of these requirements....

St. Anne is committed to keeping our children safe and adhering to PA State law requirements.

*****REMINDER:** All CYO coaches MUST renew their additional three CYO required clearances at the start of every new academic school year prior to participating in ANY Practices or Open Gym activities! Check the CYO website at: <https://www.stannebethlehemcyo.com/resources/>

Eileen Brida
St. Anne School/Parish Safe Environment Coordinator
ebrida@stannebethlehem.org



2026-2027 St. Anne School Calendar

August	Monday	31	First Day of School
September	Fri-Mon	4-7	Labor Day – School Closed
	Tues-Tues	8-22	STAR Testing – Testing Window Dates
	Friday	25	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
October	Monday	12	Columbus Day – School Closed
	Wed-Fri	21-23	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
			Parent Conferences
November	Friday	6	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Tuesday	24	First Trimester Ends
	Wed-Mon	25-30	Thanksgiving Holiday – School Closed
December	Tuesday	2	Second Trimester Begins
	Wednesday	23	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Thurs-Thurs	24-31	Christmas Holiday – School Closed
January	Friday	1	New Year's Day – School Closed
	Monday	4	School Reopens
	Mon-Fri	11-22	STAR Testing – Testing Window Dates
	Monday	18	MLK Day – School Closed Inservice
	Sunday	31	Catholic School Week
February	Mon-Sat	1-6	Catholic School Week
	Friday	5	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Monday	15	President's Day – School Closed
March	Friday	5	Second Trimester Ends
	Monday	8	Third Trimester Begins
	Friday	12	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Wednesday	24	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Thurs-Mon	25-29	Easter Break – School Closed
April	Friday	16	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
May	Mon-Fri	10-21	STAR Testing – Testing Window Dates
	Friday	28	Early Dismissal – 11:45 a.m.
	Monday	31	Memorial Day – Schools Closed
June	Tuesday	8	Kindergarten Last Day
	Wednesday	9	Last Day of School for Grades 1-7
	Wednesday	9	Early Dismissal 10:45 a.m.

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School Presents

NIGHT GLOW

Dance

DJ - Drinks - Glow sticks - Snacks

SEPTEMBER 11, 2026

7PM-9:30PM

\$5 ENTRY FEE

GRADES 6-8

Pick up/drop off in the courtyard between the school and church.
Please note that all students must wear appropriate attire. The following are
not allowed: spaghetti straps, tank tops, halter tops, tube tops, bare midriffs,
hats, or hoods. Skirts, shorts, and dresses must be a suitable length

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