

Parents - St. Ambrose School Calendar 2023-2024
(as of August 7, 2023 / subject to change)

JULY & AUGUST 2023

Sun, July 30	Used Uniform Sale
Thurs, Aug 17	Kindergarten & New Parent Orientation @ 5:30 PM
Fri, Aug 18	Ice Cream Social @ 4-5 PM
Wed, Aug 23	First full day of school for students @ 8:00-3:10 PM
Fri, Aug 25	11:30 AM dismissal = Staff meeting
Thurs, Aug 31	9 AM School Mass begins

SEPTEMBER 2023

Fri, Sept 1	Spirit Wear dress down day
Mon, Sept 4	NO SCHOOL – Labor Day
Tues, Sept 5	<i>YAY Lunch!</i> Program begins
Wed, Sept 6	11:30 AM dismissal = Staff mtg / teacher workday +
	6:00-8:00 PM = Back-to-School Night for K-8 parents
Thurs, Sept 7	PTO mtg @ 7 PM
Mon-Fri, Sept 11-29	Gr 3-7 NWEA-MAP online standardized testing window #1
Sun, Sept 17	Parish picnic @ 1-4 PM
Wed, Sept 20	1:00 PM Early Release – Staff meeting
Thurs, Sept 21	VIRTUS training @ 6 PM in parish hall
Sat, Sept 23	Tentative: PTO Bingo
Tues-Thurs, Sept 26-28	Gr 8 Confirmation interviews @ 3:30-5:30 PM
Fri, Sept 29	Summer Reading dress down day for students who meet requirements
Sat, Sept 30	Gr 8 Confirmation retreat @ 8:30-11:30 AM

OCTOBER 2023

Mon, Oct 2	<i>High School Information Night</i> for all Gr 8 parents @ 6:00 PM ZOOM with Catholic High School representatives
Wed, Oct 4	Trimester #1 interim + <i>Lions' Club</i> Vision & Hearing Screening + Gr 8 Confirmation rehearsal @ 7 PM in the church
Thurs, Oct 5	Gr 8 Confirmation Mass @ 7 PM with reception in Parish Hall
Fri, Oct 6	Spirit Wear dress down day
Mon, Oct 9	NO SCHOOL – Columbus Day
Tues, Oct 10	Students begin to wear their full winter uniforms, including sweaters
Tues, Oct 10-20	K-2 Renaissance STAR testing
Wed, Oct 11	Living Rosary @ 2:30 PM
Thurs, Oct 12	PTO meeting @ 7 PM
Fri, Oct 13	MS team-building field trip to The Edge, GMU
Wed, Oct 18	1:00 PM Early Release = Staff mtg
Mon-Thurs, Oct 23-26	Gr 2-8 Christian Chastity lessons
Thurs, Oct 26	Gr 7 parents' Confirmation meeting @ 7 PM

Fri, Oct 27
Sat, Oct 28

NO SCHOOL = Diocesan Professional Development
Tentative: PTO Trunk or Treat

NOVEMBER

Wed, Nov 1
Thurs, Nov 2
Thurs-Tues, Nov 2-7
Fri, Nov 3

Sun, Nov 5
Mon, Nov 6
Tues, Nov 7
Wed-Fri, Nov 8-Dec 1
Thurs, Nov 9
Fri, Nov 10
Sun-Sat, Nov 12-18
Wed, Nov 15
Fri, Nov 17
Tues, Nov 21
Wed-Fri, Nov 22-24
Sun, Nov 26
Mon, Nov 27
Wed, Nov 29
Thurs, Nov 30

9 AM Mass for All Saints' Day (holy day of obligation)
PTO meeting @ 7 PM
Scholastic Fall Book Fair
Spirit Wear dress down day +
Tentative: PTO Fun Run @ 2-3 PM
Daylight Savings Time ends – Clocks go back 1 hour
Photo Day = Student individual photos in full winter uniforms/sweaters
Election Day
PowerSchool parent portal closed for teachers to prepare report cards
11:30 AM dismissal = Parent-Teacher Conferences in the afternoon
NO SCHOOL – Veterans' Day + Parent-Teacher Conferences all day
Discover Catholic Schools Week
Catholic Charities fundraiser = Dress Down Day with \$2 donation
11:30 AM dismissal = Staff mtg & teacher workday
End of Trimester #1
NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving holiday
Golden Jubilee Year III
NO SCHOOL – Diocesan Professional Development Day
Trimester #1 report cards sent home
Gr 8 HSPT administered @ St Ambrose

DECEMBER 2023

Fri, Dec 1
Mon, Dec 4

Mon-Tues, Dec 4-5
Wed, Dec 6
Thurs, Dec 7

Fri, Dec 8
Mon, Dec 11
Fri, Dec 15
Mon, Dec 18
Tues, Dec 19
Wed, Dec 20
Thurs-Mon, Dec 21-Jan 2

Spirit Wear dress down day
Advent Prayer Service #1 @ 8:10 AM in gym +
Photo Day = Optional student photo re-takes, if needed +
Annual Christmas Tree Lighting @ 4:30 PM
Three Kings Shop
1:00 PM Early Release – Staff mtg
9 AM Mass for the Feast of St. Ambrose +
PTO meeting @ 7 PM
9 AM Mass for Feast of Immaculate Conception (holy day of obligation)
Advent Prayer Service #2 @ 8:10 AM in gym
3:10 PM dismissal for all students - NO EXTENDED DAY CARE TODAY
Advent Prayer Service #3 @ 8:10 AM in gym
Christmas concert @ 6:00 PM in the gym
11:30 AM dismissal – with Extended Day Care available
NO SCHOOL – Christmas holidays

JANUARY 2024

Wed, Jan 3

School resumes – Students return

Thurs, Jan 4	PTO mtg @ 7 PM
Fri, Jan 5	Spirit Wear dress down day
Mon-Fri, Jan 8-26	Gr 3-7 NWEA-MAP online standardized testing window #2
Wed, Jan 10	<u>1:00 PM early release</u> = Staff mtg +
	Gr 2 parents' First Communion meeting @ 7 PM
Mon, Jan 15	<u>NO SCHOOL</u> – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Fri, Jan 19	Trimester #2 interim +
	<i>March for Life</i> in Washington, DC
Mon-Fri, Jan 22-26	Grades K-2 <i>Renaissance STAR</i> testing
Sun, Jan 28	Open House @ 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM
Sun-Sat, Jan 28-Feb 2	<i>Celebrate Catholic Schools Week</i>
Wed, Jan 31	<u>11:30 AM dismissal</u> = <u>NO EXTENDED DAY TODAY</u>

FEBRUARY 2024

Thurs, Feb 1	Grandparents' Day (Grandparents are invited to join us for 9 AM Mass, 9:45-10:15 AM pastries, and 10:15-10:55 AM classroom visits) +
	PTO mtg @ 7 PM
Fri, Feb 2	Spirit Wear dress down day
Mon, Feb 5	Photo Day – yearbook photos (candid & clubs)
Wed, Feb 7	Gr 2 First Penance @ 7 PM in the church
Sat, Feb 10	Tentative: PTO Sweetheart Bingo
Wed, Feb 14	9:00 AM school Mass for Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
Fri, Feb 16	<u>NO SCHOOL</u> = Diocesan Professional Development Day
Mon, Feb 19	<u>NO SCHOOL</u> = Presidents' Day
Fri, Feb 23	Stations of the Cross @ 2:30 PM
Wed, Feb 28	<u>1:00 PM early release</u> = Staff mtg
Thurs, Feb 29	LEAP YEAR DAY

MARCH 2024

Fri, March 1	Spirit Wear dress down day +
	Stations of the Cross @ 2:30 PM
Fri, March 1-15	<i>PowerSchool</i> parent portal closed for teachers to prepare report cards
Thurs, March 7	<u>11:30 AM dismissal</u> = End of Trimester #2 /Teacher workday +
	PTO mtg @ 7 PM
Fri, March 8	<u>NO SCHOOL</u> = Diocesan Professional Development Day
Sun, March 10	Daylight Savings Time begins – Clocks move ahead 1 hour
Wed, March 13	Trimester #2 report cards sent home
Fri, March 15	Stations of the Cross @ 2:30 PM
Wed, March 20	<u>1:00 PM early release</u> = Staff mtg
Thurs, March 21	Kindergarten's <i>Donuts with Dad</i>
Fri, March 22	Stations of the Cross @ 2:30 PM
Mon, March 25	Photo Day = <u>Optional</u> spring photos
Wed, March 27	Gr 8 Living Stations of the Cross @ 2:15 PM in church
Thurs, March 28	<u>11:30 AM dismissal</u> = Holy Thursday / <u>No school Mass today</u>

Fri, March 29-April 5
Sun, March 31

NO SCHOOL = Good Friday + Easter vacation
Easter Sunday + Tentative PTO Easter Egg Hunt

APRIL 2024

Mon, April 8
Mon-Fri, April 8-12
Thurs, April 11
Fri, April 12
Wed, April 17
Sat, April 20
Tues-Thurs, April 23-25
Wed, April 24
Wed-Thurs, April 24-25
Fri, April 26
Sat, April 27
Mon-Thurs, April 29-May 2
Tues, April 30

Classes resume + Students begin to wear spring uniforms
Faith & Science Week
PTO meeting @ 7 PM
Spirit Wear dress down day
1:00 PM early release = Staff mtg
PTO Gala fundraiser
Gr 5 & 8 *ACRE* testing with make-ups
Administrative Assistants' Day
KAMC testing in Kindergarten
Trimester #3 interim
Religious Ed First Communion retreat @ 9:00 AM- 12 Noon
Grades K-2 *Renaissance STAR* testing
Spring Concert @ 6-7 PM

MAY 2024

Thurs, May 2
Fri, May 3

Mon-Fri, May 6-24
Tues, May 7
Wed, May 8
Thurs, May 9

Fri, May 10
Sat, May 11
Wed, May 15
Thurs, May 16

Fri, May 17
Mon, May 20
Mon-Tues, May 20-21
Wed, May 22
Fri, May 24
Mon, May 27
Wed, May 29
Wed-Fri, May 29-31
Fri, May 31

PTO mtg @ 7 PM
Spirit Wear dress down day +
11:30 AM dismissal = Staff mtg
Gr 3-7 NWEA-MAP online standardized testing window #3
Gr 8 Vocations Mass @ All Saints' Church
School Nurse Day
9 AM School Mass (Ascension Thursday) +
Gr 8 World Language Exam administered
Gr 2 First Communion rehearsal @ 6:30 PM in the church
Gr 2 First Holy Communion Mass @ 11:00 AM + photos
1:00 PM early release = Staff meeting
May Crowning during 9 AM School Mass +
Kindergarten Muffins with Mom
Gr 8 Living Rosary performance @ 2:30 PM
PowerSchool parent portal closed for teachers to prepare report cards
Gr 5 & Gr 6 diocesan math placement tests administered
Gr 7 *IOWA* math placement test administered
11:30 AM dismissal = Field Day + **NO Extended Day** + Teacher workday
NO SCHOOL = Memorial Day
Art Show @ 6-7 PM
Scholastic Summer Reading BOGO Book Fair
8:30-10:00 AM = Kindergarten Finale, reception & dismissal +
1:30 PM = Gr 8 Farewell Walk & dismissal (Gr 8 last day of classes)

JUNE 2024

Sat, June 1	Gr 8 Algebra Exemption Exam = only for current Gr 8 Algebra students who will attend a diocesan Catholic high school – Administered at their enrolled Catholic high school
Mon, June 3	<u>11:30 AM dismissal</u> + <u>NO Extended Day</u> + Faculty mtg / workday 5:15 PM = Gr 8 students arrive at school for photos <u>with robes</u> 5:30 PM = Gr 8 graduation photo 6:00 PM = Gr 8 graduation Mass with reception to follow in Parish Hall
Thurs, June 6	Gr 1-7 classroom parties at end of day, 1:30-3:00 PM
Fri, June 7	NO Spirit Wear dress down day – Wear full spring uniform Last day of school for Gr 1-7 + 9:45 AM Awards Assembly in gym (parents are invited to attend) + <u>11:00 AM dismissal with NO Extended Day Care today</u>
Sat, June 8	Diocesan Family Festival

Scheduled half-days with 11:30 AM dismissal:

Fri, Aug 25	Wed, Dec 20	Fri, May 3
Wed, Sept 6	Wed, Jan 31	Fri, May 24
Thurs, Nov 9	Thurs, March 7	Mon, June 3
Fri, Nov 17	Thurs, March 28	Fri, June 7 @ <u>11:00 AM</u>

Scheduled early release days with 1:00 PM dismissal for staff meetings & professional development:

Wed, Sept 20	Wed, Feb 28
Wed, Oct 18	Wed, March 20
Wed, Dec 6	Wed, April 17
Wed, Jan 10	Wed, May 15

Dates when NO EXTENDED DAY CARE will be available:

Fri, Dec 15 = 3:30 PM dismissal
Wed, Jan 31 = 11:30 AM dismissal
Fri, May 24 = 11:30 AM dismissal
Mon, June 3 = 11:30 AM dismissal
Fri, June 7 = **11:00 AM** dismissal