2016-2017 School Calendar

First Quarter

Monday/Tuesday August 15/16 Faculty/Staff Orientation, Professional Development Day
Wednesday August 17 First Day of School for Students
Monday September 5 Labor Day - No School
Friday September 16 Diocesan Professional Development Day, No School for Students
Friday October 14 First Quarter Ends
Monday October 17 Records Day for Teachers, No School for Students

October 17 - 21 Intersession Week – No School

Second Quarter

Monday October 24 Second Quarter Begins. School Resumes
Thursday/Friday November 3/4 Parent/Teacher Conference Days – No School for Students
Wed/Thurs/Fri November 23/24/25 Thanksgiving Vacation – No School
Wednesday December 21 Second Quarter Ends

Dec. 22 - Jan. 2 Christmas Vacation – No School

Third Quarter

Tuesday January 3 Third Quarter Begins. School Resumes
Monday January 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School
Monday February 20 Presidents’ Day – No School
Thursday March 16 Third Quarter Ends
Friday March 17 Records Day for Teachers – No School for Students

Fourth Quarter

Monday March 20 Fourth Quarter Begins. School Resumes
Friday April 14 Good Friday – No School
Monday – Friday April 17-April 21 Easter Vacation
Monday April 24 School Resumes
Monday May 29 Memorial Day – No School
Friday June 2 Fourth Quarter Ends

Last Day of School for Students

Monday June 5 Records Day for Teachers

*St. Joseph School Plan for Calamity Days: (see reverse side)

February 17, 2016
ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL PLAN FOR CALAMITY DAYS

As of July 1, 2014, Ohio law (O.R.C. 3313.48) replaces the minimum number of days in a school year with a minimum number of hours, depending on grade level. House Bill 59 changes the minimum school year from 182 days to 455 hours for half-day Kindergarten, 910 hours for all-day kindergarten and grades 1-6, and 1,001 hours for grades 7-12. The total hours calculation is based on the hours a school is “open for instruction.” The superintendents of the Ohio Catholic Conference have determined this includes scheduled classes (including religion), supervised educational activities (including religious services), and approved education options which includes the following:

- up to two equivalent school days for individualized parent-teacher conferences and reporting periods,
- up to two equivalent days for professional meetings, and
- two recess periods (morning and afternoon) of up to 15 minutes each for grades K-6.

The hour requirement excludes lunch and breakfast periods. The minimum number of hours per day according to Ohio Law and OCSAA (Ohio Catholic School Accrediting Association) for St. Joseph School is 5.5.

While the state guidelines are defined as minimums, the Diocese of Toledo Catholic Schools Office requires and supports the maximizing of instructional time and teacher development directly related to student achievement. To this end, the school calendar should show **182 instructional days or more (which could include 2 PD days and 2 P/T Conference days.)**

St. Joseph School has a six hour instructional day. The minimum number of hours required by Ohio law and OCSAA is 5.5. Excess hours that may be accumulated are 0.5 per day. (182 days x 0.5 hours per day = 91 hours.) The 91 hours is subject to adjustment for non-educational activity that may take place during the instructional day. (This is very rare.) Consequently, the excess time is equivalent to 16.5 calamity days.