

St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

Welcome to the St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School community. We hope this is a start of a wonderful experience for both you and your child. Over the next few years, we will work together to make sure that your SJB student has the most worthwhile educational experience possible.

In order to start that journey, we would like to invite your new SJB student to New Student Orientation on Wednesday, August 31st from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm. It is our expectation that every new student will attend. This orientation day will give our newest community members an opportunity to explore SJB, as well as learn many of the practical details associated with being a student here. They will also be able to meet some important people that day that can help them with this new academic endeavor.

In addition to those activities, each new student will be assigned a ‘Big Brother or Big Sister’ through our Big Brother/Big Sister program to assist them throughout the entire year in their SJB experience. Most of these mentors have been transfer students themselves, so they understand the different kinds of challenges that are associated with being a new student in a building.

We would also like to invite you to come to our New Parent Orientation at 5:30 p.m. on that same day. There will be a special presentation which may answer some of your questions, as well as offer advice to help your child transition into SJB as smoothly as possible. You will also be granted the opportunity to meet some current SJB parents, as well.

After New Student Orientation, the first day of school for the entire St. John the Baptist community is Friday, September 9, 2016. It is our hope that New Student Orientation and the Big Brother/Big Sister program will provide all of our new students with a strong foundation for a successful academic year.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at 631.587.8000 ext. 116 or maherd@sjbdhs.org or donohueh@sjbdhs.org

Once again, we welcome you to the St. John the Baptist Community and hope that this is the start of a positive experience for both you and your child.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donohue & Dan Maher

Big Brother/Big Sister Program Coordinators