



PTO Update - Winter Edition
**Proudly supporting the school norms of
community, innovation, growth, respect, and service.**

Spotlight on ***Growth***

We hope you have visited our new St. Francis De Sales School website! With money raised from last and this year's Travinia Night fundraiser, we were able to update our branding as well as launch a new website. As a PTO, we are excited to share in the responsibility of growing our new website, in particular our [PTO page](#).

Titled "PTO - The 411," this page is meant to be the "one-stop shop" for all information related to PTO. If you haven't already visited the new PTO page, we invite you to explore this page and become familiar with its contents.

If you have ever found yourself wanting to learn more about PTO events, sign up to volunteer, read meeting minutes, view presentations of guest speakers, or print off a reimbursement form, then please visit our PTO page! You will find links to all of the above plus so much more.

Please keep checking back for photos from recent events, new volunteer opportunities and ways to grow and build our wonderful SFS community.

In addition to the PTO page, the new website offers a "Parent Portal" with links to internal and external resources for parents all curated to make your life easier including:

- Archdiocesan Safe Environment Office
- Athletics
- Calendar
- Dennis Uniform
- Drop-off Procedures and Traffic Pattern
- FACTS - Tuition Portal
- Registration Form
- Lunch Menu
- Parent-Student Handbook
- PowerSchool
- School Board Meeting Minutes
- School Supply List

Just look for the yellow "Parents" button in the top right corner of the website to access this tool.

You can also explore the yellow "Students" button which includes links to frequently accessed external students websites such as Class Dojo, Code.org, Google Classroom, MATHia, SeeSaw, Spelling City, Quizlet, Typing.com, Voyages, and more.

The final third yellow button labeled "Teacher Pages" takes you to our Staff Directory where you can find video biographies of our wonderful faculty and "subscribe" to their pages to keep informed of homework, upcoming class events, e-learning and other resources. Once you click on a teacher from the Staff

Directory look for the blue box labeled "+Subscribe" and enter your email address to get automatic updates whenever your teacher adds something to their personal page.

We want this site to be easy to use so that you find what you need the first time and keep coming back! Please email Christy Sikorski (sfspto.pr@gmail.com) and Karen Muir (sfspto.sec@gmail.com) to share any feedback or suggestions for how we can make our new SFS website meet your needs.

At St. Francis we are proud of our community. Feedback from parents tells us that volunteering is one of the most rewarding and impactful ways to participate in our SFS community.

The PTO has many roles that automatically meet the Community Engagement expectations for the coming academic year. Would you like to learn more? Please contact Christy Sikorski at sfspto.pr@gmail.com and review the current volunteer events are also listed on the new website:
www.stfrancislschool.org/apps/pages/Events-Activities

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