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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the new school year! The office is now officially open for the year. As we begin this journey, our district's theme, 'Anchored in Faith: Guided by Grace, Uplifted by Hope and Transformed by Love' will be our compass. This year, we're focusing on being 'Guided by Grace.' We believe that a culture of understanding and kindness creates a nurturing environment for everyone. Our goal is to model and teach a spirit of grace throughout all activities, encouraging everyone to show patience, offer forgiveness, and treat one another with respect. Together, we can create a school community where grace is not just a concept, but an active practice that enriches every interaction.

The link below is the message that was shared in late June and contains pertinent start up information and dates. The staff list document has been updated for your reference to reflect the changes described above. Please read it over carefully and contact the office if you have any questions. Information regarding class placements will be sent out on Tuesday, August 26 prior to the Meet the Staff event.

Parent Update - 2025/26 Start Up

Staffing Update

- Mrs. Martz and Mr. Jackson have moved to different positions within the district. Mrs. Martz is now
 Vice Principal at St. Teresa of Avila and Mr. Jackson is Assistant Principal at St. Elizabeth Seton.
- Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Sola submitted resignations over summer in order to pursue different opportunities.

God's blessings to all of these valued HFS staff! Although they will be missed, we wish them the best moving forward. We welcome several new members to the team and they are highlighted in the document linked below. We are excited to have them joining the HFS community! A huge HFS welcome to:

- Mrs. Rachel Peters Vice Principal
- Mrs. Jamieson Windle Gr. 4 Teacher
- Mrs. Carly Robinson Kindergarten Teacher
- Mrs. Madison Boersma School Counselor
- Mrs. Brady Robinson Librarian
- 2025/26 Staff Organization



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Enrolment/Budget Update

We are pleased that student enrollment remains fairly consistent from last year, with our overall student population between 370 and 375, to be finalized once the school year officially begins. Our Kindergarten registrations are slightly up and we have three programs operating this year. There are further budget adjustments this year which is resulting in having one less teacher and one less Educational Assistant than last year. In order for us to maintain the smallest class sizes possible and maximize student support we are incorporating blended classes, as is indicated on the Staff Organization Chart shared earlier in this message. The staff is ready to serve and support your children fully and are looking forward to the year starting.

Welcome back, and may this year be filled with growth, learning, and the joy of serving others!

Yours in Christ.

Jeff Tuchscherer

Principal Holy Family School