

It is hard to believe that another school year is drawing to a close. Our year has been filled with many special memories. We hope you and your child have enjoyed this year as much as we have. St. Peter's is a very special school and it is made even more special with the wonderful families and their children that fill our classrooms.

One of the reasons our school is such a quality organization is our National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) accreditation status. This mark of distinction puts our School in the top 8% of early childhood centers in the U.S. No other area school has this accreditation. We have been accredited since 1989 and continue to excel. Our school sets a high standard for all early childhood programs in the Hill Country area. We are very proud to be an NAEYC school. Please read about your NAEYC Family Survey Results in this issue.

Over the summer, if you need to contact the school call or e-mail the School Office. We will not have regular office hours but, we will continue to check messages, mail and e-mails.

In August, we will be sending you information about back to school. You will receive notification of Discovery Day and sign up information about Gymnastics, Kid's Day Out, Early Birds, After School Care and Parent Association sign-up.



Plan Ahead: The 2019-20 School calendar can be accessed on this website.



Friendship Days: May 28th — May 29th.

Last Day of School: Wednesday , May 29th.

Vacation Bible School: July 22nd—July 26th.

Mark your calendars — Looking ahead

Discovery Day: Thursday, August 22nd, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. "Come and Go"

St. Peter's School **Mission Statement**

The mission of St. Peter's Episcopal School is to offer families in our community an enriched early childhood learning program with

extended day options which are conducted in a Christian environment emphasizing the development of each child's potential.



Friday, May 3rd.

Very Special

Thank You's

Thank you—Father Bert and David Miron for our weekly Children's Chapel times are a blessing to all!

Thank you—The Armstrong Foundation for our grant to support our school's programs!

Jesus Loves The Little Children







St. Peter's School is a non-smoking campus.

Smoking and Vaping is not allowed anywhere on our campus.



Fire, Storm and Relocation Safety News

Once a month all of our students practice a fire drill. Once a year, the Fire Marshal does a full inspection of the entire school. Also, three times a year the School practices a storm/tornado/lock-down drills.

During the storm drills we relocate all the students into the enclosed hallway of Shelton Hall. In the event we would have to relocate, our School's designated shelter is next door at the Cailloux Theater (910 Main Street).



"Health and Safety At School"

In our After School Care Program, the School serves afternoon snacks. Here is a sample of a typical snack menu:

February 2019

Note: We do our best to avoid serving peanut products. We always serve water.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				Fridays are leftovers days
Crunchy granola bars; 1% Milk	Pineapple and Crackers	Veggie Sticks	Yogurt and Animal crackers	Fridays are leftovers days
Special K bars and 1% milk	Cereal and 1% milk	Tortillas and Cheese	Pepperoni and Crackers	Fridays are leftovers days
Holiday	Yogurt and Fruit	Fruit Chews	Yogurt and Fruit	Fridays are leftovers days
Pop Tarts; 1% Milk	Saltines and Cheese Slices	Goldfish and Cheese Sticks	Graham Crackers	





Thank you for the very complimentary ratings on our End Of Year NAEYC Family Survey. Our school rated very highly in these areas: 1.) communication from school. 2.) relationships with classroom teachers, 3.) safety of children and 4.) effective leadership and management.

The survey is used as a tool to help improve our program. Here are some areas we need to clarify: 1.) Yes, families are involved in their child's assessment. Twice a year we offer Parent/ Teacher conferences. This is a time for families and teachers to sit down and discuss goals for their child. 2.) Our program supports breastfeeding mothers. Our Teacher Lounge and Office are available for privacy. 3.) Our program does not service "infant" feedings, our students are ages 18 months to Kindergarten. 4.) If you should ever need a translator, let us know. One of our office staff speaks Spanish fluently.

We tally the results and share them with our staff, School Board, School families and NAEYC. Again, **Thank You** for taking the time to complete our NAEYC Family Survey. Your responses are used to help improve our program. Thank you for being a part of the NAEYC process.

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Bus Driver Needed

St. Peter's School needs a bus driver. We are looking ahead because in the Spring we love to take area field trips.

Requirements for Application:

- Current CDL
- Perfect Driving Record
- TDFPS Background Checks
- FBI Fingerprinting
- Other Trainings Required

Contact our Director, Janet Boutin at <u>stpeterskerrville@hotmail.com</u>or 830-257-0257.





Why NAEYC Accreditation?

NAEYC Accreditation of programs for young children represents the mark of quality in early childhood education. NAEYC Accreditation began in 1985 with the goal of providing an accrediting system that would raise the level of early childhood programs. Today, over 6,500 programs are NAEYC Accredited.

NAEYC Accredited programs invest in early childhood education because they believe in the benefits to children and families. Early childhood experiences—from birth to age 8—have an enormous impact on children's lifelong learning and positively contribute to their health and development. Early childhood education programs with the mark of quality benefit children with greater readiness for and success in school.

It is for this reason that parents and families are seeking out NAEYC-accredited programs. Parents choosing an early childhood education program can be overwhelmed by trying to find the highest-quality program for their child. NAEYC Accreditation is the mark of quality that families are looking for. NAEYC Accreditation gives families the chance to make the Right Choice for kids.

Benefits of being an NAEYC Accredited Program:



- Helps to build a stronger team of teachers, administrators, and families working together to improve quality for children.
- Improved standards for the overall program.
- Recognition through NAEYC, including program listing on the NAEYC website in the Program Search section.
- Announcement of program's accreditation in the NAEYC Early Learning News weekly newsletter to programs, members, media and others.
- Attracts more families to enroll their children at program.



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