

#### St. Augustine Catholic School

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Dear Latchkey Parents,

As we begin the 2025-2026 school year, we continue to rely on your assistance in helping us prepare properly for latchkey each month. The state has standard requirements for caregiver to student ratio of 1:18 (for grade school students) and 1:12 (when preschool 4's are included in the group) or 1:10 (when preschool 3's are included in the group) must always be maintained.

In order to ensure compliance with the caregiver to student ratios, we need to know in advance which students will be attending latchkey on any given day. Therefore, we need your assistance in filling out and returning the provided monthly calendar. On the calendar, please record the days you anticipate your children will attend latchkey for both the morning and afternoon programs. Once we receive your calendar, it is date stamped, and the available spots are filled on a first come, first served basis. By collecting these calendars, we are able to calculate the number of students who will attend *in advance*, allowing us to prevent an overage and violation of the caregiver to student ratio. It may seem like it would be simple to grab a teacher or any adult to cover an overage, but it is much more complicated than that. Our latchkey program is a separate entity from our grade school; therefore, adults who serve in latchkey need different clearances in order to comply with the licensing requirements. There are only certain adults in our building that have these clearances, thus reducing the likelihood of availability.

Overages potentially become more problematic in afternoon latchkey, since there is usually a greater demand for after school care. If children arrive at latchkey without prior notice, we will be taking the following steps to prevent this issue:

- 1. On the first occurrence, we will make a phone call reminder to return the calendar.
- 2. On the second occurrence, a \$50.00 fee will be charged per child in addition to regular latchkey rate.
- 3. On the third occurrence, a \$100.00 fee will be charged per child in addition to regular latchkey rate.
- 4. On the fourth occurrence, the family will be dismissed from the latchkey program for the 2025-2026 school year.

We understand that unforeseen circumstances may arise that require a change of plans. When this occurs, please call the office and let us know that you need to request latchkey for that day. We will be able to let you know if we have availability. Likewise, if you have a change in plans that allows you to pick up your children at dismissal time and you no longer need latchkey, please let us know that too. This makes a spot available for another student.

Compliance with state requirements for our latchkey program is extremely important. It helps us maintain a safe ratio, allowing for excellent care and supervision for your children, while adhering to these requirements so we can continue to operate. I know the latchkey service is important to our families, and we would like to be able to continue to offer it at our school. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration!

Sincerely,

Emily Lenn

Principal & Program Administrator

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#### St. Augustine School Latchkey Program

Latchkey will be available in the morning (7:00-8:00) and afternoon (3:00-6:00). Jessica Abke will be returning as our morning and afternoon caregiver, along with Lorraine Whittstock as an additional afternoon caregiver. Colleen Diamond will be our caregiver for the afternoon preschool latchkey students.

Latchkey begins the first day of school.

**Monday August 25th** is a half-day so only morning latchkey will be offered.

Tuesday the 26th and Wednesday the 27th both morning and afternoon latchkey will be offered.

Thursday the 28th is morning only.

No school for **August 29th and September 1st**. School resumes on Tuesday, **September 2nd**. The August calendar should be turned in asap. The September calendar needs to be turned in by Thursday, August 28th.

Latchkey calendars will need to be filled out by each family and returned to the office. We are required by the State of Michigan to maintain a specific caregiver to student ratio; therefore, we need to know in advance how many children are attending. If a last minute need arises, you can always call the office and we will let you know if we have room for your child that day. Thank you!

All students must be registered BEFORE they are able to attend latchkey. Registration packets are available in the school office. The registration fee is \$50. Hourly rates are \$8 per child, per hour. If your children were registered last year, we can accept them on Monday morning for the first day; however, new paperwork needs to be filed right away.

#### Dear Parents,

Each of the attached forms must be completed and signed. Please keep the forms stapled together and return to school. Children are not allowed to attend Latchkey without the paperwork completed and turned in.

- 1. Registration Form
- 2. Child Information Record. Each child needs a form filled out.
- 3. Good Health Statement
- 4. Written information packet documentation and Notification of Licensing Handbook
- 5. Policy Acknowledgement
- 6. Playground Notification
- 7. Snack Agreement
- 8. Allergies

## St. Augustine Latchkey Program Registration Form 2025 – 2026 School Year

Parent/Guardian (Last, First):		
Address:	City:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone: _	
Work Phone:	Email:	
Child's Name (Last, First):		
Date of Birth:	Grade:	Gender (M/F):
Child's Name (Last, First):		
Date of Birth:	Grade:	Gender (M/F):
Child's Name (Last, First):		
Date of Birth:	Grade:	Gender (M/F):
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Parent Signature	 Date	
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#### CHILD INFORMATION RECORD

State of Michigan - Department of Lifelong Education, Learning, and Potential - Child Care Licensing

Instructions: Unless otherwise indicated, all requested information must be provided. If the information is not known or does not apply, "unknown" or "none" is the required response. A blank field, a line through a field or "N/A" are not acceptable responses.

For Provider Use Only:		Date of Ad	mission	Date of D	Discharge				
Name of Child (L	ast, First, Middle Init	tial)						Child's	Date of Birth
Address (Numbe	er and Street, Building	City	State		Zip Co	de			
Parent/Legal Guardian's Name Primary Phone ( )					Parent/Legal Guardian's Name (Optional)			Primar	y Phone )
Home Address (if not child's address)  2nd Phone (if applicable)  ( )					Home Address (if not child's address)			2 <sup>nd</sup> Ph	one (if applicable)
City		State	Zip Code		City	State		e Zip Code	
Email Address (c	optional)				Email Address (	optional)			
Employer Name			Work Phone		Employer Name	)		Work F	Phone )
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## St. Augustine Latchkey Program

## School-Age Child

## **Good Health Statement**

I, Parent/guardian of
certify that my child(ren) is/are in good health.
The child(ren)'s activities should be restricted because of these physic defects or illnesses.
My child(ren)'s immunizations/waivers are up to date and on file at Standard School.
Parent/Guardian Signature
Date / /

#### WRITTEN INFORMATION PACKET DOCUMENTATION

Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Child Care Licensing Bureau

Child(ren)'s Name(s) (Last, First)	Facility's Name and License Number				
	000019413				
	St. Augustine Latchkey				
A written information packet has been provided at the timinformation (R 400.8146 (1-2)):	,				
<ul> <li>Criteria for admission and withdrawal.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Schedule of operation, denoting hours, days, and holidays during which the center is open, and services are provided.</li> </ul>					
Fee policy.					
Discipline policy.					
<ul> <li>Food service program.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Program philosophy.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Typical daily routine.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Parent notification plan for accidents, injuries, incident</li> </ul>	ts, and illnesses.				
<ul> <li>Transportation policy, if applicable.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Medication policy.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Exclusion policy for child illnesses.</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Notice of the availability of the center's licensing notel</li> </ul>	book. (CENTER MUST CHECK ONE)				
investigation reports, and related corrective action	ing a summary sheet, all licensing inspections and special plans for the last 5 years. The licensing notebook is ness hours. Reports from at least the past three years are				
The center does not keep a licensing notebook last three years are available at <a href="www.michigan.go">www.michigan.go</a>	s, but internet is available onsite. Reports from at least the <u>v/michildcare</u> .				
Other					
I certify that I received all of the above items.					
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Date				
Note: A single CCL-4340 form may be	e used for all children in the same family.				
LARA is an equal oppor	rtunity employer/program.				

# St. Augustine Catholic School Latchkey Policy Acknowledgement

The St. Augustine Catholic School Latchkey Policy outlines the steps that the school is taking to prevent an overage and violation of the caregiver to student ratio as per our licensing requirements.

An electronic version of this document is available for viewing on our website. Please review and complete the acknowledgement below. This form must be returned to the school office for every family that will be using our Latchkey Program<sub>e</sub>!

#### **Policy Summary**

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#### Parent Acknowledgement

Ву	signing	below,	you	acknowledge	your	understanding	of	the	St.	Augustine	School
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Student(s) Name(s) (Please print)						
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Parent/Guardian Signature: _						
Date:						

#### Dear Parents and Guardians:

The St. Augustine Latchkey Program is required by the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, to notify you that under *Rule 400.8170 – Outdoor Play Area* of Licensing Rules for Child Care Centers, we are exempt from sub-rule (11), which states:

The playground equipment, use zones, and surfacing in the outdoor play area shall be inspected by a certified playground safety inspector and an approval granted for playground equipment and areas used before issuance of an original provisional license, upon request of the department, and before using any newly added playground equipment. The center shall provide documentation of the inspection to the department upon request and shall keep it on file at the center.

Our playground will need renovation to meet the requirements for the Certified Playground Safety Inspection. Because of the cost associated with a playground renovation, this process will take time. In order for school-aged (K-8) children to use the equipment as a latchkey participant, your signature on this form is required. Please sign and date this form and return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Names of Latchkey Students	
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Parent/Guardian Signature	Date

## **Snacks**

This agreement is required by the State of Michigan which states that the parent(s) or guardian(s) will provide a snack when their children are in attendance at Latchkey.

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#### Rule 269a

#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

A written plan for the prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions must be developed and implemented to include a child care plan, prevention measures, and emergency procedures.

To be in compliance with this rule the following information must be kept on file at St. Augustine Preschool and Latchkey.

Child's Name
Allergy
Medication
Dose
Method of medication administration
I give my permission to post in the classroom my child's allergies.
I do not wish my child's allergies to be posted in the classroom.
Parent or Guardian's signature
Date