



St. Jude the Apostle School

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Dear Parents & Students,

St. Jude will be using a website called IXL for our summer skills program and in our classrooms for the 2024-2025 school year. IXL is a comprehensive learning program offering unlimited math practice across thousands of skills. One of the best things about IXL is that students can access it from home, so parents have a chance to see their child's progress.

IXL is designed to help students learn at their own pace. The program is adaptive and will adjust based on the student's understanding of the material. All of your child's results will be saved, so you and your child can monitor his or her progress anytime by clicking on Analytics. (For on-the-go practice, you can download IXL's free tablet apps for iPad, Android, or Kindle and sign in with your child's username and password.)

Parents can enter an email in IXL if you would like to receive emails about your child's progress. St. Jude will not be providing emails to IXL. After logging in, select your child's name in the upper right hand corner. Click on Profile and Settings. Then enter your email address.

To get started on your home computer, please follow these easy steps:

1. Go to <https://www.ixl.com/signin/brdiocese>
2. Enter username and password. Make sure *.brdiocese* must be behind your username. You can find this information on this page.
3. Please make sure you are logged on. **Your name should appear in the upper right corner.** If you are not logged on properly, you will not receive summer credit.
4. This summer your child is being asked to work on 5 skills specifically taught during the 2nd grade year. The required skills to practice are on the back of this letter. In order to fulfill the summer requirement, your student should spend a minimum of 10 minutes of active practice for each skill. The total value for the summer skills will be 50 points awarded at the start of the school year. Each skill is worth 10 points. To begin practicing, click on the "math" heading at the top of the page. In the search box enter the 3 digit code. Hit enter and you can begin working.
5. Since they will be reviewing 2nd grade skills, your child may have already done the skill in class. If they have previously completed the assigned IXL skill, they must review the skill with ten minutes of active practice (student actively engaged in solving problems). If they reach 100% before 10 minutes, they will also receive credit.
6. Your child is welcome to work on any skills for any amount of time. However, only the specific assigned skills will be part of the grade.
7. Click on any skill to start learning!

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I hope you'll encourage your son or daughter to use IXL regularly. Here's to a year of working together to make math learning fun for your child!

To receive full credit, you must:

- Achieve a smart score of 85 or higher
- Answer a minimum of 10 questions
- Have an **active** practice time of at least 10 minutes during the **May 24-August 7**
- If a Smart Score of 85 was achieved during the school year and it is a required skill below, the student must answer 10 questions, practice 10 minutes and maintain the Smart Score of 85.

Other things to note:

- Make sure your name is in the upper right hand corner to ensure log in.
- Please do not use calculators.
- Use of paper and pencil is encouraged.
- Because skill numbers change slightly in IXL, skills are identified by their ID number

REQUIRED SUMMER SKILLS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 3RD GRADE

Under Second Grade Math(Level D):

- TX5 (adding with regrouping)**
- TWE (subtracting with regrouping)**
- 9WT (place value to the hundreds place)**
- HY6 (interpreting bar graphs)**
- LHS (equal groups)**

The skills listed will result in the first grade of the year. It is a 20 point grade. They must be completed by the end of day on August 7th.

I would also do the following suggested skills to help prepare for the rigor of the third grade math curriculum. These are optional.

Under Second Grade Math(Level D):

- UFU (word problem up to three digits)**
- UV2 (subtraction word problems)**
- 5CT (estimating/rounding to the hundreds)**

Sincerely,
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