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Dear CSB/SJU Parents and Families:

As we welcome your daughter or son to the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University, as a new or returning student, we also welcome you as a member of our educational community. Your daughter/son is taking another major step toward adulthood and we hope to be partners with you in this significant transition.

At CSB/SJU, we know that students who take personal responsibility for their education gain more from their experiences. Our philosophy is to treat our students as adults, encouraging them to speak for themselves and to take responsibility for resolving their questions and conflicts. We know that you as parents and family will be important to them as advisers, mentors, coaches and cheerleaders as they learn through their experiences.

This calendar is designed to provide you with key dates and events that will assist you in knowing the rhythms of campus life. In the pages that follow, you will find information and resources that can help you and your daughter/son get the most out of the CSB/SJU experience. Additional information can be found for CSB parents at www.csbsju.edu/csbparents and SJU parents at www.csbsju.edu/sjuparents.

Please know we are available to assist in answering your questions and listening to your concerns. We invite constructive feedback as well as praise so we can continuously improve our educational enterprise. You may contact the CSB Vice President for Student Development at 320-363-5601 or the Interim SJU Vice President for Student Development at 320-363-2737. Other helpful numbers are included on the back of this calendar.

Again, we extend a very warm welcome to the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John’s University communities. We look forward to a great year.

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New student enrollment in fall 2018 totaled 437 at CSB and 398 at SJU for a combined first-year class of 835. The new class came from 27 states and 9 countries.
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**Fall Semester Tuition Due**

**Assumption (Holy Day)**

**International Students Arrive**

**International Student Move-in**

**First-Year Student Move-in Day**

**Transfer Student Move-in Day**

**First-Year Orientation • International Student Orientation • Transfer Student Orientation**

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**August 2019**

**Returning Student Move-in Day**

**Fall Semester Classes Begin**

**Orientation**
FAMILY WEEKEND

CSB/SJU Family Weekend will take place Sept. 20-22, 2019. This will be an event you and your family won’t want to miss. Cheer on the Johnnie football team, stop by the family carnival at Saint Ben’s and attend a special family-friendly performance. Families of all students are encouraged to attend.
ATHLETICS
From varsity sports to health and fitness, the athletic and recreation programs at CSB and SJU are designed around the needs and interests of women and men. The schools support separate intercollegiate athletic departments, and each campus has its own exceptional athletic facilities.

CSB and SJU have 23 teams that compete in NCAA Division III and have 11 competitive club sports that participate in regional and national competition.
FESTIVAL OF CULTURES

The Festival of Cultures celebrates and recognizes the diversity at CSB/SJU through student performances, cultural food sampling and a fashion show. The 2019 Festival will be held Saturday, Nov. 2.
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SPIRITUALITY AND FAITH LIFE

The Catholic character of CSB and SJU is shaped by the founding Benedictine communities who continue to foster Benedictine values in the academic, spiritual and social life of the colleges. Benedictine women and men remain a prayerful presence in community life and contribute to the stable sense of home for which CSB and SJU are so well known.
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*Note: The calendar includes important dates and holidays such as Thanksgiving Break, Christmas Break, and New Year’s Eve.*
RESIDENTIAL LIFE

As liberal arts colleges, CSB and SJU promote the development of the individual within the context of living and learning in community. The supportive residential learning environment builds upon Benedictine practices of discerning one’s purpose, living by one’s values and working toward a just and caring community. Students living on campus benefit from connections with others, opportunities to develop a balanced lifestyle, use of campus facilities and the continued reflective exploration of their own faith.
New Year’s Day
Kwanzaa Ends

Spring Semester
Tuition Due

Martin Luther
King Jr. Day –
No Classes
Club sports are a great way to get involved, enjoy a sport you love and try something new. Clubs are student organizations that routinely compete in tournaments or games against teams from other colleges or universities. Club sports include: dance team, figure skating, lacrosse, rugby, ultimate frisbee, volleyball, crew and nordic skiing.
ALTERNATIVE BREAK EXPERIENCE

ABE is an ecumenical program offered through CSB Campus Ministry that provides meaningful, service-oriented trips, both nationally and internationally. Trip participants are exposed to other cultures, places and ways of life in a manner that enhance and broaden their own perspectives. These trips are designed to complement academic experiences and be inspiring for the students who participate. The goal of ABE is to attend to the needs of each site and serve them, while also learning about the issues that each site faces.
SENIOR EVENTS

Senior events at CSB include the Mother-Daughter Retreat, Bennie Ball, Bennie Brunch and Senior Dinner. At SJU, they include the Mom Prom and Senior Dinner. Jointly, Senior Farewell is held the Friday night before commencement ceremonies.
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CAREER EXPO

Sponsored by Career Services, the day brings together students and 175 alums via Career Seminars, a Career Fair and a Networking Reception. Students explore majors and careers, learn to present themselves professionally to employers, learn about internships and jobs and build connections with alums.
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CSB, for women, and SJU, for men, are nationally recognized Catholic liberal arts colleges ranked as two of the top five Catholic colleges in the nation. They share one academic program and students attend classes together on both campuses. This integrated learning experience combines a challenging academic program with extensive opportunities for international study, leadership, service learning, spiritual growth and cultural and athletic involvement. The combined enrollment of more than 3,600 students makes CSB and SJU one of the largest liberal arts colleges in the nation.