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**SCHOOL LUNCH ANNOUNCEMENT**

To: Parents, Students &amp; Administrators of St. Jerome Catholic School

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce our company to you. SLA Management is an Orlando, Florida based school lunch management company. We manage over 50 private mostly Christian school lunch programs throughout Florida and Georgia, including over 25 schools in 7 Catholic Diocese.

We are pleased to announce that our company will be establishing our managed school lunch program at St. Jerome for the August 2011-2012 school year. We will be producing all of the daily meals in the existing kitchen. We have a wonderful, diverse and successful school lunch program and we are all very excited about the opportunity to build the school lunch program at St. Jerome Catholic School.

All of our school meals will be high quality, balanced, and nutritious meals. We use the highest quality ingredients in our school lunches. All meals meet and often exceed National school lunch daily values for protein, vegetable or fruit, dairy and grain. All menus are free of trans fats, are low in sodium, sugar, and fat. All menus are reviewed and approved by a Registered Dietitian. School Lunch prices will remain the same. All school lunches will be \$3.75 (beverage included). Advance menus will be provided. We will offer a daily hot meal (sides and beverage included) entrée alternative on select days, a daily Lite Choice meal and salads throughout the week. We will also continue to administer the snack program. All selections will be displayed on our monthly menus. No advance ordering is required, but to help us with daily planning of the meals and weekly ordering please print the menu from the website, select your meal, and return it to the cafeteria. Before turning in your menu be sure to add enough funds to your SLA on-line payment account to cover the order. The meal will not be charged until your child puts in their pin code that day.

We will utilize an on-line payment system where parents can charge their student's lunch account and students will use a five digit pin code to debit their account on a daily basis. Payment can be made by credit or debit card or on-line check. Parents can review student's lunch purchasing history, and will be notified by email regarding balances on a weekly basis. The attached on-line narrative will provide detailed instructions for registering your student(s) and depositing money into their lunch account. As with any on-line system there is a 2.3% plus .50 cents convenience fee which will be charged to your account for every deposit into your lunch account. This equals a \$2.80 transaction fee for every \$100.00 deposited student account. Full details are included on the on-line instructional narrative and we have a friendly customer service staff in our office if needed.

Our meals are designed to be an uplifting and positive experience for the students. Mrs. Michele Knebel and Mrs. Lynn Ferraro will continue to manage the lunch program. We combine traditional favorites with healthy and balanced meals. Monthly menus will be published in the middle of the prior month. We become a fabric in the school communities we serve and welcome your comments and input.

We invite you to visit our website at [www.slamgmt.com](http://www.slamgmt.com) to learn more about our company and review sample menus. Please feel free to contact us at any time at [info@slamgmt.com](mailto:info@slamgmt.com) for a prompt reply. We are delighted to become a part of the St. Jerome family.

Sincerely, SLA Management