

# For answers to your questions:

Below are contacts for frequently asked questions. The **JBS Parents app** (available on iOS and Android) is a great source of up-to-date information, as well as the **JBS Family Handbook**, which contains most school policies and practices.

- Questions about school philosophy/policies  
Andy Abbott, head of school, at 314/993-4045, ext. 282, or [aabbott@jburroughs.org](mailto:aabbott@jburroughs.org)
- Questions about the academic program  
Chris Front, assistant head of school for academic affairs, at 314/993-4045, ext. 349, or [cfront@jburroughs.org](mailto:cfront@jburroughs.org)
- Primary contact for questions concerning your child  
Your child's advisor (school phone numbers/emails listed online; emails are also listed in the back of the Buzz Book)
- General questions about your child or their schedule, or for unexcused absences (e.g., travel during undesignated breaks)  
Linda Churchwell-Varga, principal for grades 7 and 8, at 314/993-4045, ext. 345, or [lchurchwellvarga@jburroughs.org](mailto:lchurchwellvarga@jburroughs.org)  
Julie Shimabukuro, principal for grades 9 and 10, at 314/993-4045, ext. 340, or [jshimabukuro@jburroughs.org](mailto:jshimabukuro@jburroughs.org)  
Jennifer Salrin, principal for grades 11 and 12, at 314/993-4045, ext. 325, or [jsalrin@jburroughs.org](mailto:jsalrin@jburroughs.org)
- Specific questions about a particular class or athletic team  
Your child's teacher or coach at the phone number/email listed online and in the back of the Buzz Book
- Excused absences (e.g., doctor's appointment) or to report your child absent or late  
Before 8 am: 314/993-4040, press 0 and leave a message; after 8 am: 314/993-4040 and speak with the receptionist; OR email [attendance@jburroughs.org](mailto:attendance@jburroughs.org) to communicate your child's absence
- Homework information if your child is ill  
Your child's teachers (phone number/email address listed online and in the back of the Buzz Book); your child should also use the resources on Canvas
- To get a message to your child during the school day  
The receptionist, at 314/993-4040
- Questions about athletic program or to have your child excused for an extended time from physical education or athletics  
Peter Tasker, athletic director, at 314/993-4045, ext. 217, or [ptasker@jburroughs.org](mailto:ptasker@jburroughs.org), OR  
Hollie Cosentino, assistant athletic director, at 314/993-4045, ext. 382, or [hcosentino@jburroughs.org](mailto:hcosentino@jburroughs.org)
- Athletic schedules  
JBS website ([www.jburroughs.org](http://www.jburroughs.org)) and click on "Athletics > Athletics Calendar," or the JBS Parents app
- Questions about the curriculum in a specific subject  
Department chair as listed online and in the Buzz Book
- Health concerns  
Casie Tomlinson, school nurse, at 314/993-4045, ext. 209, or [ctomlin@jburroughs.org](mailto:ctomlin@jburroughs.org)
- Campus events  
Burroughs website ([www.jburroughs.org](http://www.jburroughs.org)) and click on "Quicklinks > Calendars," or the JBS Parents app
- Questions about parenting or personal counseling for your child  
Jennifer Jones, director of wellness and counseling, at 314/993-4045, ext. 323, or [jjones@jburroughs.org](mailto:jjones@jburroughs.org)
- Questions about academic support/special learning needs  
Paul Knight, chair of the academic support department, at 314/993-4045, ext. 336, or [pknight@jburroughs.org](mailto:pknight@jburroughs.org)
- College counseling  
Darryl Calkins, director of college counseling, at 314/993-4045, ext. 281, or [dcalkins@jburroughs.org](mailto:dcalkins@jburroughs.org)
- Library resources available to students and parents/guardians  
Kate Grantham, library chair, at 314/993-4045, ext. 398, or [kgrantham@jburroughs.org](mailto:kgrantham@jburroughs.org)
- Diversity initiatives, policies or programs  
Daniel Harris, director of diversity, equity and inclusivity, at 314/993-4045, ext. 221, or [dharris@jburroughs.org](mailto:dharris@jburroughs.org)
- Community service/Aim High  
Meghan Rathert, director of service learning, at 314/993-4045, ext. 318, or [mrathert@jburroughs.org](mailto:mrathert@jburroughs.org)  
Tammy Taylor, executive director of Aim High, at 314/432-9500, or [ttaylor@aimhighstl.org](mailto:ttaylor@aimhighstl.org)
- Questions about bills, payments or re-enrollment  
Katie Katashuk, accounting manager, at 314/993-4045, ext. 247, or [kkatashuk@jburroughs.org](mailto:kkatashuk@jburroughs.org)
- Questions about admission or tuition aid  
Caroline LaVigne, director of admission and tuition aid, at 314/993-4045, ext. 227, or [clavigne@jburroughs.org](mailto:clavigne@jburroughs.org)
- Questions about additional support not covered by tuition aid, including technology needs, athletic equipment, etc.  
Keith Vassall, director of student engagement, at 314/993-4045, ext. 268, or [kvassall@jburroughs.org](mailto:kvassall@jburroughs.org)
- Parent Annual Fund/Other Giving  
Lauren Stuart, director of the Annual Fund, at 314/993-4045, ext. 278, or [lstuart@jburroughs.org](mailto:lstuart@jburroughs.org)  
Amy Dunaway, director of development, at 314/993-4045, ext. 315, or [adunaway@jburroughs.org](mailto:adunaway@jburroughs.org)
- Communications & Alumni Relations/Career Connections  
Elisa Essner, communications manager, at 314/993-4045, ext. 262, or [eessner@jburroughs.org](mailto:eessner@jburroughs.org)  
Corey Reuwee, alumni relations and engagement, at 314/993-4045, ext. 283, or [creuwee@jburroughs.org](mailto:creuwee@jburroughs.org)
- Questions about the Centennial  
Events: Ellen Bremner, director of special projects, at 314/993-4045, ext. 355, or [ebremner@jburroughs.org](mailto:ebremner@jburroughs.org)  
Campaign Gifts: Ginger Imster, assistant head of school for external affairs, at 314/993-4045, ext. 256, or [gimster@jburroughs.org](mailto:gimster@jburroughs.org)
- Parent/guardian involvement/volunteering at the school  
Jessica Shuff, president of the Parents Council, at [pcpresident@jburroughs.org](mailto:pcpresident@jburroughs.org)
- School lunches and food services for a meeting or special event  
Erik Wright, SAGE Dining Services, at 314/993-4045, ext. 243, or [sage@jburroughs.org](mailto:sage@jburroughs.org)
- Updating your contact information  
Sarah Kaye, director of parent relations, at [skaye@jburroughs.org](mailto:skaye@jburroughs.org)
- Questions that do not fit into any of these categories

