



CHEMISTRY

SAINT JOHN'S
CATHOLIC PREP

2020-2021





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- About me:
 - Born and raised in Elkhart County, Northern Indiana
 - Ball State University
 - BS: Chemistry
 - Minor: Environmental Management
 - Purdue University
 - PhD: Inorganic Chemistry
 - Thesis: Kinetics of Group IV Homogeneous Single-Site Olefin Polymerization Catalysts



● Chemistry at SJCP

- Philosophy

- Objectives:

- Developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills
 - Forming informed citizens

- Methods:

- Modeling
 - Guided problem solving
 - Experiential



● Chemistry Class

- Student Experience

- Warm-up

- Beginning of class

- Bring focus to the day's lesson

- Homework

- Designed to develop newly learned skills

- Questions and Collaboration

- Laboratory

- Designed to reinforce chemistry concepts



● The 2020-2021 School Year

- What's different this year?
 - Small class-sizes
 - Longer class periods
 - Hybrid learning: in class and via Zoom
 - Technology
 - Google Docs
 - Microsoft Whiteboard
 - Health and Safety
 - Face masks and social distancing



● Tutoring

- Monday-Thursday 3:00-3:45pm
 - Via Zoom
 - By appointment (email me for appointment)
- Friday 10:00-11:00am
 - Via Zoom
 - Open Office Hour



● Google Classroom

- Ask your child about access to Google Classroom
- “Course Materials”
 - Course syllabus
 - Required materials
 - Class policies
 - Outline of units covered



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Q & A via Zoom

- Wednesday, September 16, 6:30-7:30pm

