



PLAYGROUND PLANNING COMMITTEE

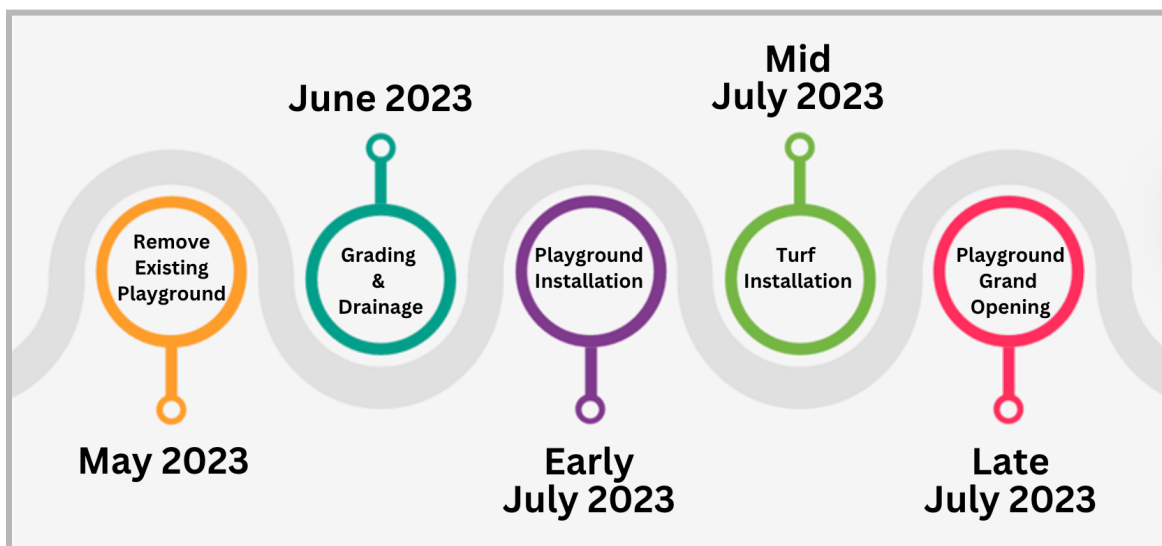


About our Project

As many of you know, our playground is in need of replacement and we are actively working to fundraise to complete this project. In the fall, a committee was formed to plan, fundraise, and ultimately install a new playground! Many of our families and teachers helped in planning by completing a survey. All responses were then reviewed and taken into consideration we designed our plan. We made amazing progress over a very short time. Our goal is to not only replace the existing equipment but enhance the playscape with an additional structure that would accommodate our younger (ages 2-5) students and parishioners. Our plan also includes the addition of a new swingset, more climbing equipment for more challenging play, and a more durable ground cover with artificial turf. While the amount is subject to change, the current projected cost is \$191,814.50.

Our Timeline

Our aim is to complete this project by the start of the 2023 - 2024 school year. This requires the removal of the old playground, landscaping to prepare the existing/new footprints, and the installation of the new playscapes and turf. As detailed below, we will commence the project once school is out in May and complete installation by mid-July to ensure the students can come back to brand-new equipment in August. We plan to host a ribbon cutting with the St. Joseph's Community in late July.



While we would like to complete the project all at one time, we may have to break our project into phases depending on funding.

The Plan

Below are renderings of the final design:



How can you help?

SJS is offering the following options for you to get involved:

- Individual, i.e. John Doe
- Family, i.e. The Doe Family
- Corporate Sponsorship, i.e. Doe, Re, Mi's Music Emporium

Within each of these Donor groups, we are providing the following Tiers:

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| ● Bronze | \$10 - \$99 |
| ● Silver | \$100 - \$249 |
| ● Gold | \$250 - \$999 |
| ● Platinum | \$1,000 - \$2,499 |

The following Donor Tiers will receive placement on our Donor recognition sign:

- Diamond \$2,500 - \$4,999
- Emerald \$5,000+

To make a Donation

There are a few ways that you can make a donation:

- Click [here](#) and complete the form. Under *Note* at the very bottom, please be sure to add your **type and level** of donation and that these funds are designated for the ***Playground Project***.
- Send a Check directly to the School. Please be sure to add your **type and level** of donation and that these funds are designated for the ***Playground Project*** in the Memo.
- Reach out to Tina Bortle, Director of Advancement at tina.bortle@sjsathens.org or 706.543.1621 ext. 443 to arrange your donation.

Other ways to help

If you are interested in seeking support from your place of work or a local business, please leverage our [Fundraising Proposal](#).

In addition to monetary support, we are also planning to do some of the work needed to prep for the playground ourselves to be able to use more of our funding for the actual play structures. This will include taking down the existing playscape, correcting the current drainage issues, and leveling the site for installation.

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete this [form](#).

If you have Questions

Please reach out to the Committee Head, Kevin DeCastro. You can reach him at playground4sjs@sjsathens.com