

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



Monday, December 16, 2024

Calendar Updates and Reminders

DECEMBER

Dec 18 [Christmas Concert 4:00 PM](#)

Dec 19 [A Headmaster Christmas Event 6:30 PM](#)

Dec 20 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Dec 23-Jan 7 – Christmas Break

JANUARY

Jan 8 Classes resume

Jan 20 NO SCHOOL, Dr. MLK Jr. Holiday

**Jan 24 11:30 AM DISMISSAL, March for Life ** DATE CHANGE

Jan 25 First Penance Parent/Child Retreat 10 AM-12 PM

Jan 26-Feb 1 Catholic Schools Week

School Day Hours:

Mon-Thu. 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM Fri: 8:00 AM-2:25 PM

ALL SCHOOL MASS - 10:30 AM unless otherwise noted

A few additions have been made to our school calendar. Please see the attached calendar.

Sync the SJBA parent calendar with your family calendar:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?>

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School Calendar 2024-2025 12-16.pdf

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Christmas Concert Schedule

We are looking forward to the Christmas Concert for grades K-8 and Choir on **Wednesday, December 18, at 4:00 p.m. in the gym.** Below is information to help you prepare for the concert.

Students will perform in the following order:

- 3:40 p.m. Students meet in their homeroom classroom
- 3:50 p.m. Students assemble in the gym
- 4:00-4:30 p.m. Kindergarten-2nd grade
- 4:30-4:45 p.m. Intermission with instrumental (Students in grades K-2 have the option of sitting with their families at this time).
- 4:45-5:45 p.m. 3rd-8th grade, Choir and Advanced Choir performance, 8th grade poem and 4th grade Nativity Scene
- 5:45 p.m. Finale featuring all students in grades K-8*

*It is our wish that all students stay until the end of the program to sing the finale with the entire student body. However, we understand that this is a very busy time of year, and some families may not be able to stay. Please email your homeroom teacher(s) if your child(ren) in grades K-2 will be leaving at intermission.

More information on this event can be found here: <https://secure.smores.com/n/9qn8p>.

Volunteers Needed for the Faculty Christmas Party

On behalf of all SJBA families, the Parent Council will be hosting a Christmas celebration that will include an afternoon tea and party on **Thursday, December 19**, for the wonderful SJBA faculty and Staff.

Help is needed to decorate room 10 for the party and clean up the next day. If you are unable to help with set up or clean up at the school please consider donating to the cause. Information can be found on the Sign Up Genius linked below. Please contact Caroline Herbert, at carolineknox81@gmail.com for any questions. Thank you!



Staff Christmas Party

Please help us celebrate the wonderful SJBA faculty and staff. We will be hosting a Christmas celebration that will include an afternoon tea and party on Thursday, December 19th. We need help decorating room 10 for the party and help with clean up the next day.

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A Headmaster Christmas Event

All parents and friends are invited to prepare for the great feast of Christmas with a special Headmaster Event on **Thursday, December 19, from 6:30 - 10 p.m. in Eagle Hall!**

The evening will feature refreshments, live jazz, and a dramatic reading of Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol!* (We will read and take parts from a play adaption highly faithful to Dickens' original).

Timeline of the evening:

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Refreshments and jazz

7:30 p.m. - Part I of *A Christmas Carol*

8:15 p.m. - Intermezzo with jazz & songs

8:45 p.m. - Part II of *A Christmas Carol*

We hope that you can join us! For planning purposes, please RSVP at:

<https://secure.smores.com/n/u95pn>.



A Headmaster Christmas Event

A Headmaster Christmas Event - "A Christmas Carol" Dramatic Reading with Live Jazz! by Christine White | This newsletter was created with Smore, an online tool for creating beautiful newsletters for educators, businesses and more

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Christmas Break is December 23-January 7

Just a friendly reminder that our last day of school before Christmas break is Friday, December 20 and there is an 11:30 AM dismissal for all students.

Fr. Pollard has given the school a "Pastor Holiday" on Tuesday, January 7 so that families can celebrate the full 12 days of Christmas and the High Feast of the Epiphany. **Therefore, classes will resume on Wednesday, January 8.**

The March for Life is Friday, January 24, 2025

The March for Life is on Friday, January 24, 2025. To enable our students, faculty and staff to attend the March, school will dismiss at 11:30 AM.

Admission Deadline is January 13 for New Students

We are now accepting applications for new students for the 2025-2026 school year! If you have a sibling who will be applying for admission, we want to encourage you to apply early! The application deadline for Preschool - 8th grade is January 13, 2025.

Please visit our website to review the application steps at <https://stjohnacademy.org/admissions/>.

Thank you again for your support and for choosing St. John the Beloved Academy!

Parent-Student Handbook

The Parent-Student Handbook for the 2024-2025 school year is now available on our website.

Please read through the Handbook and complete the electronic signature form at your earliest convenience.

Shop our School Spirit Store!

Visit our online store to view the latest SJBA apparel and accessories! You can access the store via our website at <https://stjohnacademy.org/shop/> or on your phone by clicking on the shopping cart icon linked to the toolbar.

****Please note the youth SJBA sweatshirts available on the website can be worn during the school day as part of the uniform for grades K-8. Additionally, the SJBA golf polo can be worn by 8th graders as part of the uniform.****

Thank you in advance for supporting our school store!



Welcome to St. John the Beloved



Attendance Procedures

When a student is going to be arriving late, leaving early, or has a change in their pick-up routine, please email Mrs. Mrs. Monica Stilson in the attendance office: attendance@stjohnacademy.org and copy Mrs. Gracia Escudero in the front office: gescudero@stjohnacademy.org and copy the homeroom teacher.

Just a reminder, that when students leave school during the day due to illness, appointment or any other reason, they must be called for in the School Health Room or the school office. Children may never wait outside the buildings to be picked up during school hours, nor may teachers release a child directly from the classroom.

A note, email, or phone call should be sent to school requesting early dismissal and stating the time and identifying the person who will pick-up the child. Persons picking up a child at a time other than dismissal should report to the school front office and sign the child out. The school staff will call the child in his/her classroom to come to the office to meet the person picking

him/her up. Students will not be called in advance to the nurse's office for an early release. Persons picking up a child may not go to the classroom.

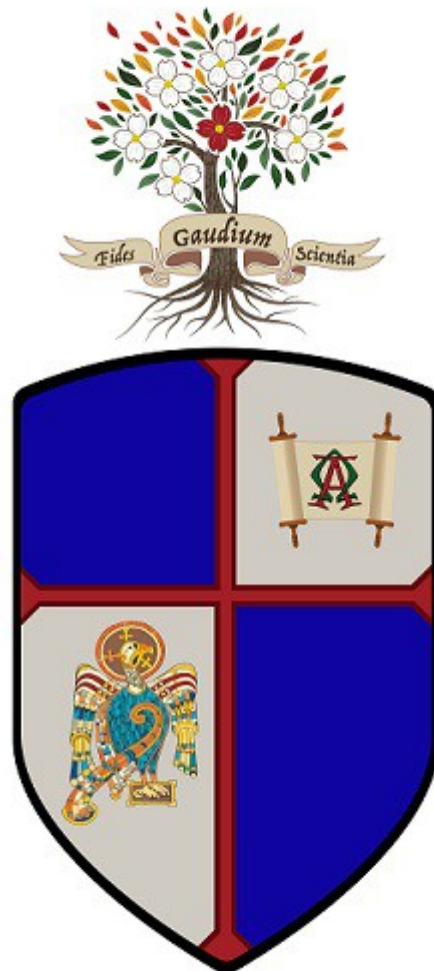
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Saint John the Beloved Academy

Saint John the Beloved Academy was founded in 1954 to offer quality Catholic education to parish children. Saint John the Beloved Academy continues to provide children in preschool through eighth grade with a Catholic liberal arts education rooted in rich tradition of academic excellence and spiritual formation, captured by the school's motto, *"Fides, Scientia, et Gaudium."* By Faith, children are led beyond themselves to entrust their formation to God. By forming the entire child, we impart the Knowledge for both intellectual and spiritual growth. The Mission of Saint John the Beloved Academy is manifested in genuine Christian Joy—rooted in the Sacraments, self-sacrifice, charity, and service to others.

Pictured above: Christmas Santa Reading Mail. Norman Rockwell. 1935.



Christine White