

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



Wednesday, November 2

Calendar Updates and Reminders

NOVEMBER

Nov 3 Yearbook Picture Day!

Nov 11 10:00 AM Veterans Day Assembly

Nov 15 SJBA OPEN HOUSE 9:30 AM

Nov 22 End of 1st Trimester 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Nov 23-27 Thanksgiving Break

Nov 28 Classes Resume

SAVE THE DATE:

*** The school Christmas Concert will be Tuesday, DECEMBER 20***

School Day Hours:

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

Please note: The Mass schedule at St. John the Beloved Parish has changed as of Oct. 1. Daily Mass is now at 8:30 AM Monday-Saturday.

Yearbook Picture Day is TOMORROW, Thursday, November 3!

Just a friendly reminder that yearbook portraits for all students will be on Thursday, November 3, in Eagle Hall.

- All K-8 Students should dress in their school uniform. Any sweatshirts, sweaters or coats will be asked to be removed before being photographed (including the SJBA sweatshirt).
- Preschool and Pre-K student attendance varies, so students who do not attend class on Thursday and would like their picture taken, are invited to come to the school preferably between 8:20-8:30 am.
- If a child needs to take his/her picture earlier/later due to scheduling needs, please let their homeroom teacher know ahead of time if they will be out.

Parents will be given the opportunity to purchase photos via Lifetouch photography. **Students who are absent on November 3 will be photographed on our makeup date which is Thursday, December 15.**

If you have questions or concerns, please email Christine White at, cwhite@stjohnacademy.org.

Veterans Day Celebration and Slideshow

Veterans Day is a time for us to pay our respects to those who have served our nation in the armed forces. At St. John's, we will be celebrating Veterans Day on Friday, November 11, with a school assembly and slideshow at 10:00 a.m. to honor the Veterans in our community. Parents and family members are welcome to attend.

If you have a Veteran in your family and you would like for us to include them in our school slideshow, please email a picture of them along with their name and rank to Christine White at cwhite@stjohnacademy.org by Tuesday, November 8.

From Inclusion to Belonging Conference

The Arlington Diocese is holding the *From Inclusion to Belonging* half-day conference on Saturday, November 5, from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Bishop O'Connell High School.

Come learn about how to increase meaningful inclusive experiences for individuals with disabilities in the life of the church and connect with others interested in doing the same.

Registration information can be found here:

<https://www.bishopoconnell.org/academics/expanded-services/from-inclusion-to-belonging>.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

In coordination with So Others Might Eat (SOME), St. John's is coordinating a food drive to provide Thanksgiving meals to local Washington, DC families in need.

The families of each class are asked to donate a food item on the list below by **Thursday, November 17**, and our 8th grade class will assemble and deliver our donation to SOME the week before Thanksgiving!

- **Kindergarten:** 2 cans of sweet potatoes
- **First Grade:** 2 cans of low-sodium string beans
- **Second Grade:** 1 box of stuffing mix
- **Third Grade:** 1 box of instant mashed potatoes
- **Fourth Grade:** 2 cans of gravy
- **Fifth Grade:** 1 can of cranberry sauce
- **Sixth Grade:** 2 cans of fruit cocktail
- **Seventh Grade:** 2 bottles of non-refrigerated 100% juice (plastic bottles please!)
- **Eighth Grade:** 2 boxes of macaroni & cheese

**If you would like to cover the cost of a turkey for a family, you may send in a \$25 Giant Grocery Store gift card.

In addition to the items listed above, SOME would be happy to accept other food donations. Below is their food wish list:

- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- Canned fruit, in its own juice or water
- Canned vegetables, no added sodium
- Canned meats (chicken, salmon, tuna)
- Low-sodium soup
- Meals in a can (such as chili, beef stew, spaghetti)
- Whole wheat pasta and pasta sauce
- Low sugar cereal and oatmeal
- Healthy snacks
- Nuts
- Oils and vinegars

Thank you in advance for your support of this food drive! Please contact Mrs. Crowley at ccrowley@stjohnacademy.org with any questions!



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Admission Information Coffee - November 15, 9:30 AM

St. John's is hosting an "Admission Information Coffee" on Tuesday, November 15, 9:30 AM for prospective families. Please invite family and friends who are interested in learning more about our wonderful school!

- 9:30 am | Coffee & Pastries
- 9:45 am | Welcome and Introduction, Admissions Director
- 9:50 am | Headmaster's Presentation followed by Questions and Answers

Tours will be available after the presentation.

RSVP's are required to attend this event using the form below.

For questions, please email our Admissions Director, Celina Schneider, at cschneider@stjohnacademy.org.



RSVP Here!

VIRTUS Training to be held at SJBA!

The Diocese of Arlington, through the Office of Child Protection (OPCYP), developed a program to ensure that anyone who might come in contact with your child/children is considered safe. Saint John the Beloved Academy, as a part of the Arlington Diocese, requests that any parent volunteer who will be in contact with students (i.e. field trip chaperone, driver, classroom volunteer), complete all the necessary requirements to be compliant with the Office of Child Protection.

The two primary requirements include:

1. completing the online **Office for the Protection of Children and Young People (OPCYP) application and background check** (which takes about 5-15 minutes), and
2. a **Virtus Protecting God's Children safe environment training**, within 45 days of submitting the above online application. We are looking into ways to facilitate the Virtus training, including offering a VIRTUS session on campus. Instructions for both of these programs are attached to this email

St. John's is hosting a Virtus training on Thursday, December 1, 2022, at 6:00 PM. Spaces fill up quickly, so registrar as soon as possible at:

https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/reg_list2.cfm?theOrgID=18408

Kindly contact Mrs. Gracia Escudero who is our OPCYP Liaison Officer at our front office with any questions or concerns.

VIRTUS Training Registration

Lost and Found

There are several sweaters, coats, sweatshirts, and water bottles that have accumulated in the lost and found. Beginning this week, we will have all lost and found items on display at Friday pick up. If your child is missing an item, please check the lost and found on or before Friday afternoon.

Please remember to make sure that all of your student's personal items, including clothing, water bottles, and other important items are labeled clearly with their name for ease of identification.

Lastly, we have several gently used items in the St. John's uniform closet in Eagle Hall. This is a free used uniform exchange for all students. Parents can stop by to grab any items they may need.



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Pictured above: Autumn Leaves. Isaac Levitan. 1879.