

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



Friday, September 27, 2024

Calendar Updates and Reminders

SEPTEMBER

Sept 30 NO SCHOOL for Students/Prof. Dev. for Faculty

OCTOBER

- Oct 1** Coffee w/ Headmaster 8:00 AM
- Oct 2** ALL SCHOOL MASS, House Assignment Day
- Oct 5** Confirmation Parent/Child Meeting
- Oct 7** ALL School Rosary, Our Lady of the Rosary
- Oct 7-11** Mid-Trimester 1 Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:15-4:30 PM
- Oct 14** NO SCHOOL Columbus Day
- Oct 17** Yearbook Picture Day - Preschool-8th Grade
- Oct 18** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL Professional Development
6:30 PM [An October Party](#)
- Oct 31** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL

Athletics Calendar

SJBA Middle School Boys Soccer

- Oct 1** vs. Potomac B, 2:45 PM @ Potomac
- Oct 16** vs. Lorien Wood, 3:45 PM @ SJBA
- Oct 22** vs. Trinity at Meadowview, 4:00 PM @ SJBA
- Oct 23** vs Georgetown Day School, 2:45 PM @ GDS

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 8-28.pdf

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Choir Information for 2024-2025

St. John the Beloved Academy offers several choir opportunities for girls and boys in grades 3-8.

Choristers will learn basic musicianship, proper vocal technique, sight-singing and ear training, music theory, and how to sing in an ensemble. Rehearsals take place in the Music Room. No audition is required; only a love of singing and willingness to learn!

Students may sign up for more than choir. Please fill out one form per student and check all choirs that they would like to participate in. Please email completed forms and any questions to Director David Lang at dlang@stjohncatholicmclean.org. **Rehearsals start the week of September 9.**



Choir form 2024-2025.pdf

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Voice Lessons Now Available!

Voice lessons have been added to our music offerings this session for students in grades K-8.

Our instructor will be Miranda Smith. Mrs. Smith received her BM in Music and her MM in Voice Performance and Pedagogy from Westminster Choir College. In addition to teaching voice, she is a piano instructor.

Lessons will begin on **Friday, October 4**. Dates include the following Fridays:

October 4, 11, 25 and

November 8, 15, 22.

The cost is \$35 per lesson, for a total of \$210. Lessons will be 20 minutes long, in the choir room on Fridays.

You can register for voice lessons on our website at, <https://stjohnacademy.org/optional-music/>, or by clicking the link below.

Please contact Mr. David Murray at dmurray@stjohnacademy.org with any questions.

Music Lessons

After School Clubs

The first session of our after school clubs program will run from September 16 - October 25, 2024.

Club offerings and registration information is available on our website here:

<https://stjohnacademy.org/clubs/>.

Please note that knitting on Tuesdays is open to students in grades K-8 and space is still available.

Clubs are open to all current students in grades K-8. Just a reminder that clubs are available on all regular school days Monday - Thursday from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. and Friday from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Just a reminder that there is a 15-minute pick up window from 4:00 – 4:15 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. on Friday.

For general information regarding clubs, please contact Cristina Crowley at clubs@stjohnacademy.org.

Register for After School Clubs

New Lunch Option Beginning October 8!

St. John's is pleased to announce that hot lunch will be available every Tuesday and Thursday with [Vignola Gourmet](#) beginning on **Tuesday, October 8.**

Orders and payments can be placed through Vignola on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. The cost is \$7.25 per lunch. *(There is a one-time \$10 maintenance fee for each user through Vignola.)*



VIGNOLA GOURMET
— CATERING & MARKET —

Please follow the instructions in the welcome letter linked below to register.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ub8GBD00qoMsYhtvYhsNNu92BiqFxcOK/edit?usp=sharing&oid=104809483975307051689&rtpof=true&sd=true>

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Volunteer Requirements for all Parents

For the safety of our students, the Diocesan Office of Child Protection requires that all chaperones be clear to volunteer. To that end, **prior to a field trip or to volunteer in the classroom**, kindly complete the online *Office for the Protection of Children and Young People (OPCYP)* application for a background check **and** attend a VIRTUS session.

The instructions for completing the online application are attached to this email. It should take no more than 5-10 minutes to complete. This process produces the Central Registry Release of Information Form which needs to be signed by you to give the Diocese permission to submit a background check. Stop by the Front Office to sign the form.

In order to complete the online application, you will need the following information:

Location: Saint John Academy (NOT THE CHURCH)

Position Title: Volunteer

Once your application is complete and approved, you will receive an email from the Office of Child Protection with available sessions to register for *Virtus: Protecting God's Children* safe environment training within 45 days of receiving the email.

Thank you so much for all you do for our students and our school.



**Volunteer Instruction Sheet Background Check Application
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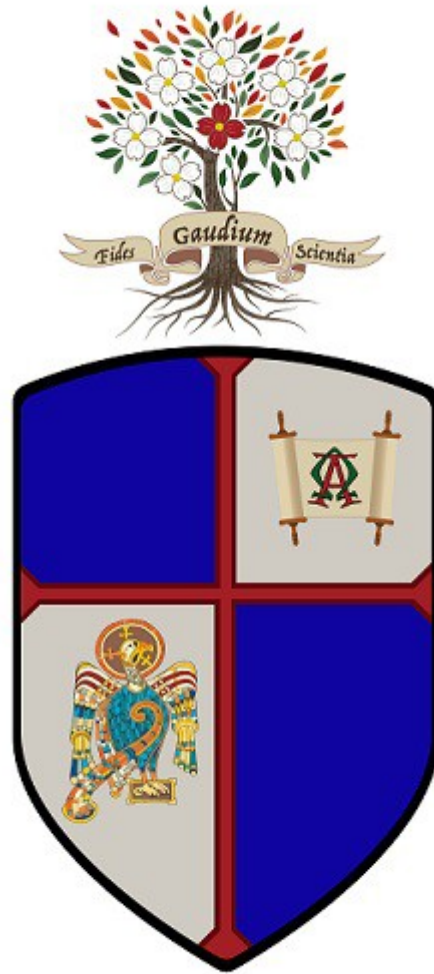
Attendance Procedures

When a student is going to be arriving late, leaving early, or has a change in their pick-up routine, please email Mrs. 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.

Donate to our Annual Fund



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: September Moonrise. Childe Hassam. 1900.



Christine White

