

A Few Notes, Dates & Reminders

St John the Beloved Academy



January 22, 2026

Calendar Updates and Reminders

JANUARY

- **Jan 23** 11:30 AM DISMISSAL, March for Life
- **Jan 24** (Saturday) First Penance Parent/Child Retreat 10 AM-12 PM
- **Jan 25-Jan 31** Catholic Schools Week

FEBRUARY

- **Feb 3** Coffee w/ Headmaster 8:00 AM
- **Feb 2-6** Mid-Trimester 2 Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **Feb 7** [7:00 PM BIG BAND Auction](#)
- **Feb 16** NO SCHOOL- Presidents' Day

- **Feb 18** Ash Wednesday, ALL SCHOOL MASS
- **Feb 21** (Saturday) 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
- **Feb 27 & 28** Theatre and Jazz Performance of *The Importance of Being Earnest*

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

Please see the latest version of the calendar attached below.



School Calendar 2025-2026 10-2.pdf

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Sync the SJBA parent calendar with your family calendar:

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

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Dismissal Reminder for Friday, January 23

Friday, January 23, is an 11:30 AM dismissal for all students. There are no clubs scheduled on this day.

For those who would like to take the parish bus to go to the March for Life on Friday, there is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the church to reserve your seat. The bus will leave at 11:30 a.m and will return around 5:00 p.m.

Winter Weather Reminder

Saint John the Beloved Academy follows Fairfax County Public Schools for weather related school closings and delays. Please remember to check emergency announcements at www.fcps.edu for the latest updates during these winter months.

Last Call for Chick-fil-A!

This is the last chance to order Chick-fil-A! To add your child to the list starting next week, please fill out the form by Monday, January 26, and send payment via Venmo (@andymarie-shepard) or

Zelle (shepardkm@gmail.com, Katherine Shepard) If payment is sent via Venmo, please make sure "purchase protection" is toggled off to avoid fees being charged.

*For families with multiple children, please fill out one form per child.

CFA order form: <https://forms.gle/WPYPNjqZed3npBPH8>.

Parent volunteers are needed to help sort and distribute orders. Please see link below to sign up.

Volunteer Schedule:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1tcZwwXnbxH33Tf3Kst0053qz3JREa7gKn4y6McX42vM/edit?usp=sharing>

Please direct any questions to Glenn Paik glennpaik@gmail.com.

Catholic Schools Week

January 26-30

Monday, January 26: Mad Hatter and Crazy Socks Day - Students are encouraged to wear a hat and/or crazy socks of their choice to celebrate the "foolish" wisdom, community, and joy of Christianity and wondrous gift of the sacraments.

Tuesday, January 27: Wit and Whimsy Day - Students are encouraged to dress up as any Dr. Seuss, Fairy Tale, Charlie Brown or pre-approved character. Students will also have a quote, passage or line from a book that their character uses. We celebrate the eternal foundation of being loved children of God and of enhancing our capacities for wit, insight and good humor.

Wednesday, January 28: House Day Spark - In the spirit of community and friendship, storytelling and story writing competitions will kick off in the classrooms grades 6-8. Students will work on these projects throughout February preparing for our school House Day competition. Students in grades K-5 will read aloud a saint book and retell the story of a beloved saint.

Thursday, January 29: SJBA celebrates the Love of Friendship and the special friendship of St. John the Beloved and Our Lord - With an emphasis on hearing the personal call to holiness and discovering our vocation. **We will have a dress down day! Students can wear their House t-shirts, jeans or nice pants. Students will bring a school supply to be used toward packing backpacks for Catholic Charities Refugee services.** All homerooms will recite a decade of the Rosary, praying for our Diocese.

Friday, January 30: Catholic Trivia in the Classrooms - Students will have fun and be challenged to answer Catholic trivia questions. Students in grades K-4 will play a "Know your Catholic Bingo" game. Students in grades 5-8 will work in teams or individually on puzzles that enhance their knowledge and understanding of our faith.

Re-Registration for the 2026-2027 School Year

Just a friendly reminder that re-registration for the 2026-2027 academic year is due by January 22.

Re-registration is the process for stating your intention for your student(s) to return to St. John and secure your spot on the roster for the upcoming academic year.

To re-register, parents must complete the online form and submit a non-refundable deposit by **January 22** at <http://stjohnacademy.org/registration>. Re-registration fees are as follows:

- Kindergarten—8th Grade: \$275 per student
- Preschool: \$325 per student

Students who are registered are considered "enrolled" for the upcoming school year. Accurate enrollment numbers are important to help us determine our staffing and budget needs for the academic year.

If you have any questions regarding the re-registration process, please reach out to Christine White by email at, cwhite@stjohnacademy.org.

Re-Registration for the 2026-2027 School Year

Financial Aid Information for the 2026-2027 School Year

Assistance with tuition expenses is available for families in need of assistance. For consideration, please visit <https://factsmgmt.com/parent-resources/grant-and-aid/> to download an application. For additional information, please call Facts Aid at 866-441-4637.

The elementary application deadline is March 13, 2026.

Questions regarding financial aid assistance may be directed to our Business Manager, Francisco de Brey at, fdebrey@stjohncatholicmclean.org.

Big Band Auction

Tickets are now available for the **"Big Band Auction" on Saturday, February 7, from 7:00 - 11:00 p.m. in Eagle Hall.**

This elegant black tie (or vintage old jazz club attire) evening will feature a large "Big Band" jazz ensemble, specialty cocktails, heavy appetizers, and an online auction.

Tickets, sponsorships, and advertisements are available for purchase at the link provided below.



[Click Here to Purchase Your Ad, Sponsorship or Ticket!](#)

Preorder your 2025-2026 Yearbook Today!

The 2025-2026 school yearbook is being compiled and copies can be preordered online for \$25 at this link:

YBPay.Lifetouch.com.

Yearbook Code: 11970726.

Our yearbook will feature a durable, long-lasting hard cover and full color pages. Purchase your copy today!

Parent-Student Handbook

The Parent-Student Handbook for the 2025-2026 school year is now available on our website.

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

[2025-2026 SJBA Parent-Student Handbook](#)

Attendance and Dismissal Procedures

A dismissal form lets the school know how your child(ren) will be arriving and departing from school every day.

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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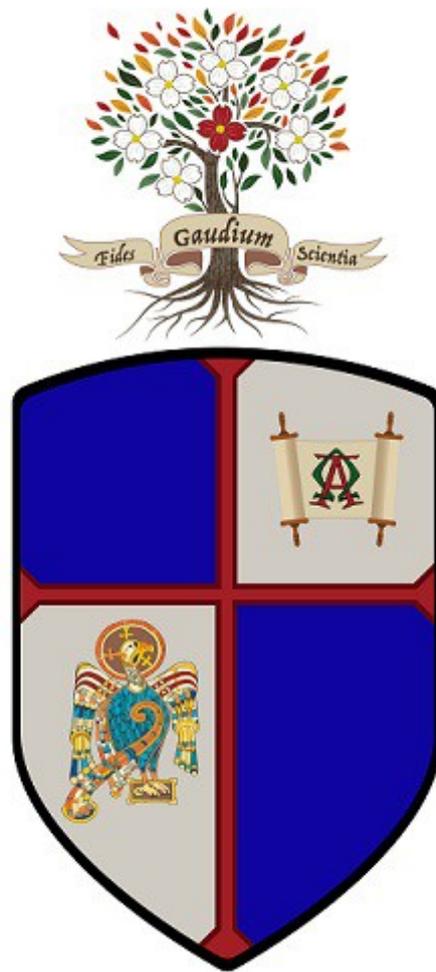
School Health Forms

After-School Clubs

Private Music Lessons

Lunch Options

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.

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